

Condition
of the
Heart







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Theme & President's Note

Under Jesus Christ a person is not defined by culture, achievements, nationality, academics, handicaps, race, titles, or anything of this world. A person is defined by the condition of their heart. The beauty is that their actions reveal their true heart.

Christ reveals his concern about the condition of the heart. During Christ's time on earth, the religious technocrats of the New Testament argue that life was about following the law and serving the law. "You are dead wrong," Jesus said. "In fact, you're just plain dead. What God cares about is the inner life, the life of the heart." (The Sacred Romance, Matthew 23:25-28).

The heart is where Jesus Christ comes in to transform an individual's life. He enters at the core. He sets the standard of love at the Cross when He took our sins once and for all so that we may be with Him and united in Him. 1 Corinthians 13:6, "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, and always preserves." With this, Christ says "the first and greatest commandment is to love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your strength and with all your mind and to love your neighbor as yourself" (Luke 10:27). The big idea: to use all of our hearts (also known as courage) to follow Him. Throughout the Bible, the emphasis of a person falls upon their heart. How do you capture this? Well, the heart and love use tools like knowledge, wisdom, affirmation, encouragement, etc. to reveal itself in action.

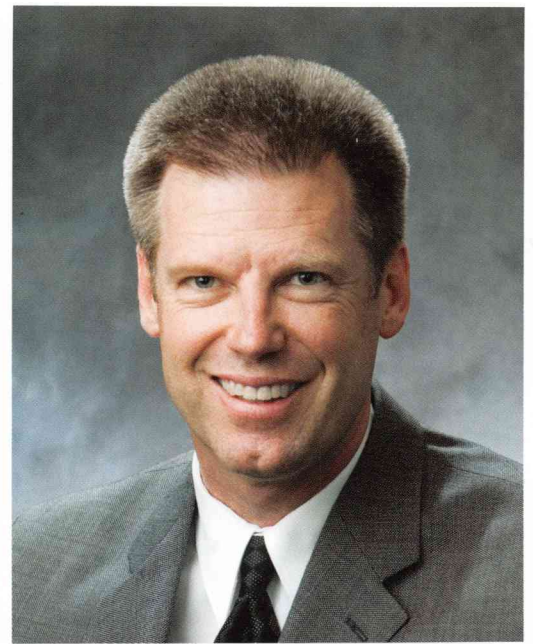
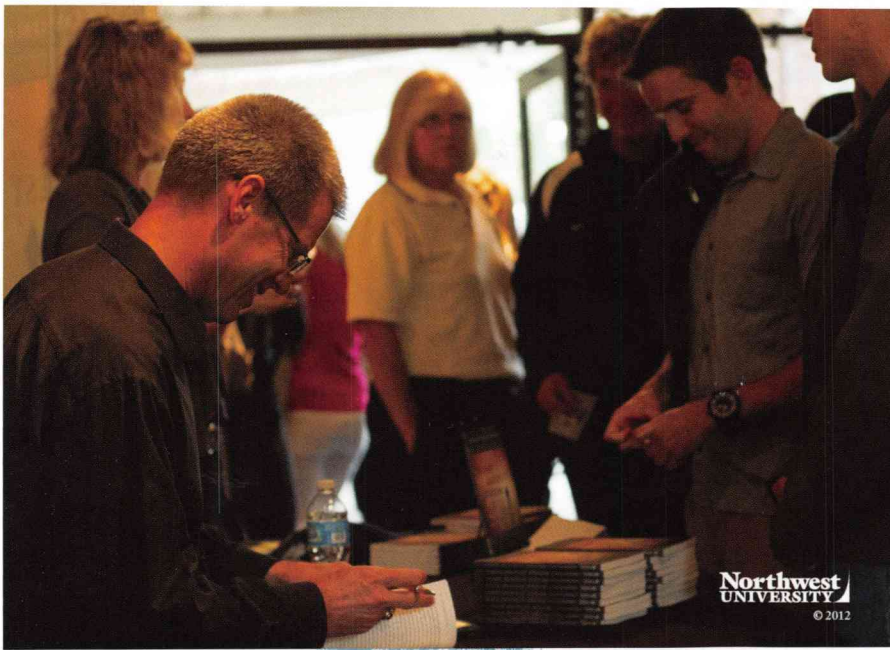
We are adopted in Christ. He has made us His own. With this, our citizenship is in The Kingdom of God. Our hope as the Yearbook Team has been to capture this journey through the glimpses of time. We chose the theme of being united together by the condition of our heart in Christ our Lord. Throughout the book, you'll find this theme emphasized through verses, a visual pathway connecting the pages, as well as cultural highlights. Our hope is that the next pages will be a testimony of its own; that each of us may remember the unity that is in our Father, knowing that it is our hearts that truly matter.

**-Ashley Brew and
Meagan Governor**

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Psalm 27:4

"One thing I ask of the LORD,
this is what I seek: that I may
dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life, to gaze
upon the beauty of the LORD and
to seek Him in his temple."



Diversity stands at the heart of God's creational purpose. In the beginning, God created a variegated world teeming with biological diversity, then graced it with male and female humans in God's own image. Blessing them, he commanded them to multiply and fill the earth, ruling over the creation as homes and cultures and civilizations would be formed. The command to fill the earth meant that they would become dazzlingly different as they moved further from the starting place. In the contemporary world, the full flowering of diverse humanity continues to swirl in its mixing and matching, creating the ethnic and cultural bouquet that is Northwest University today.

From our founding in 1934 we have been a diverse crowd, made up of immigrants and foreigners and the multicolored historical mix of ethnicities that make up the American nation. But our diversity has always gone further and deeper. Each one of us is his own snowflake, her own fingerprint; no two alike, but so much to like. Our personalities are as varied as the callings God has made us to carry. And that is where the purposes of God turn diversity to unity. While we are each different, we find unity in the One God who has called us to one eternal mission. In Christ, many pieces come together in a puzzle that we can only solve by action, fitting our own piece into the whole picture. As that picture comes together, we move closer to the final picture of the great multitude from every nation, people, tongue, and tribe.

Differences in culture always create misunderstandings, and they can cause conflicts. But in Christ, we find a common home, a common mission, an arbiter who always makes the right call. In the future, we will look back to this yearbook and reflect on the different people we met here at Northwest, and we will be able to think about the ways our diversity contributed to our growth in maturity and spirituality. Many of our classmates will have contributed different pieces of wisdom, advice that set us on the path we would follow, hurts that made us grow stronger, patches that helped us heal. Out of many, we became one student body; each year some of us will have been scattered throughout the world, like communion bread torn into pieces and distributed before it contributes to the making of one Body. Reunions will bring us back in partial regroupings, and then, One Day, we will all come together again and never know another parting. Until then, may God bless us all with the company of his Spirit. See you later.

-Joseph Castleberry
Northwest University President



STUDENT MUGS

I was born in Seoul, the capital of South Korea, and grew up there until I came to America when I was sixteen years old. Korea is a small country between Japan and China with one major language. It might be surprising to know that nearly one fourth of Koreans are Christians and the biggest church in the world is in Korea. We have four seasons every year and are known for K-pop (Korean pop music) and high educational standards. The school system in Korea is pretty strict and competitive. It causes a lot of stress and peer pressure for Korean students to succeed. When I was in high school, I had to stay at school until late at night.

When I first came to America as an exchange student, I faced challenges of understanding English and adjusting to food and the school environment. The English I learned in Korea was more formal than the English Americans use in reality. It took me about three months to get used to the language and start expressing myself better in English. I also struggled with my spiritual life, and the church environment was different from my home church in Korea. As I was adjusting to the different culture in America, I became more open-minded and was able to accept all of the cultural diversities.

God has been working in my life so incredibly. I have been studying in America for almost six years. I committed myself to God when I was twelve years old and made up my mind to be a missionary. God has been faithfully guiding me and giving me strength while living in America. I am currently in the nursing program and hoping to be a missionary nurse in the future. I am so curious to see what God has planned for my life ahead. I hope that you find God's will in your life and pursue what He has planned for you.

Juae Ahn



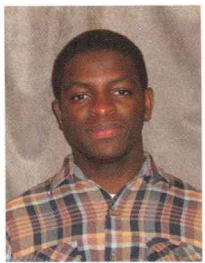
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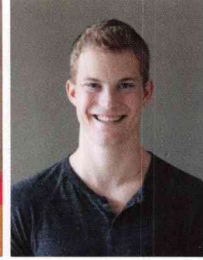
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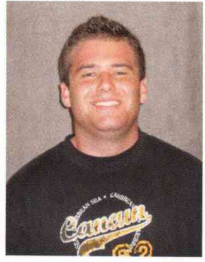
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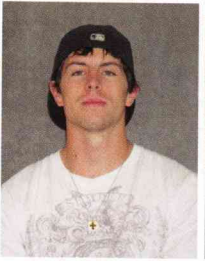
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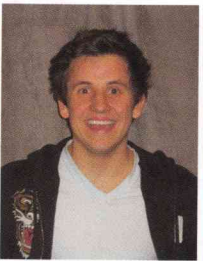
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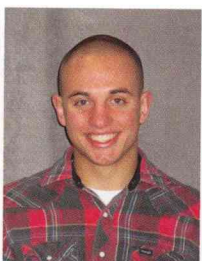
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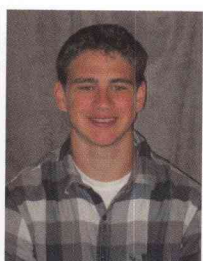
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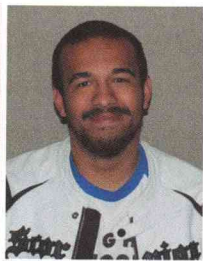
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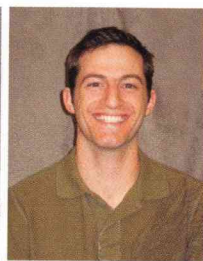
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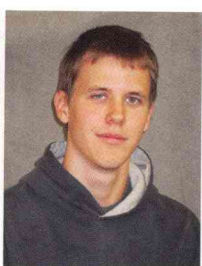
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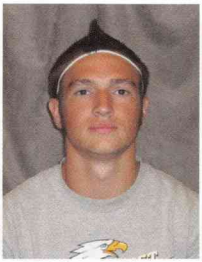
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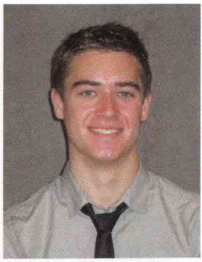
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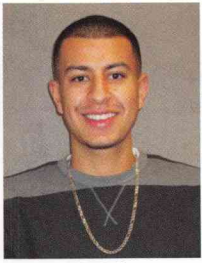
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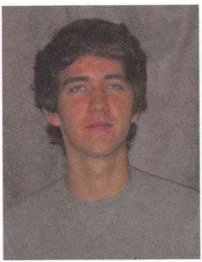
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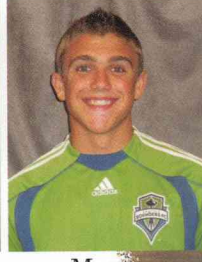
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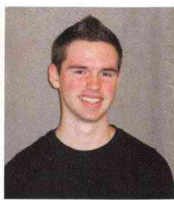
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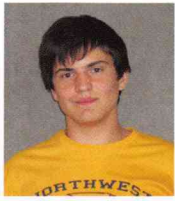
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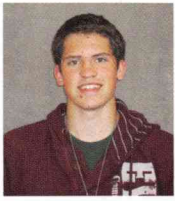
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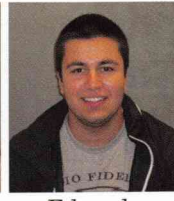
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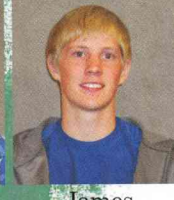
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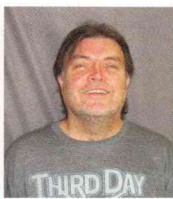
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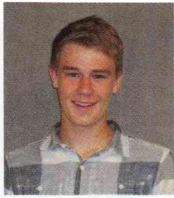
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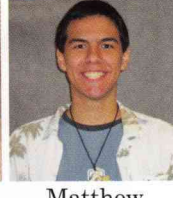
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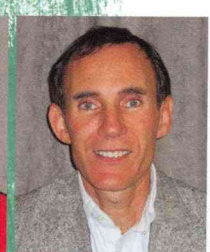
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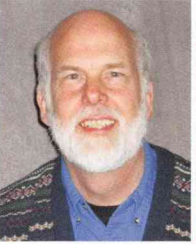
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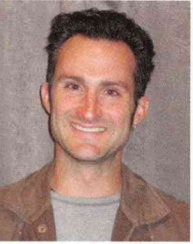
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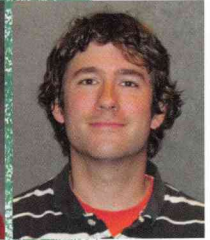
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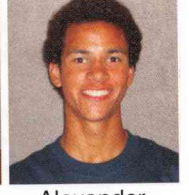
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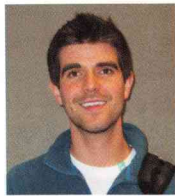
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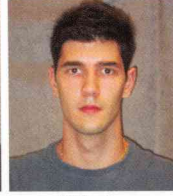
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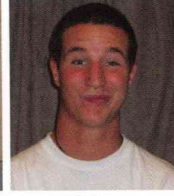
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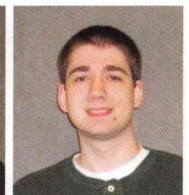
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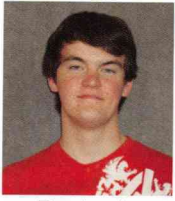
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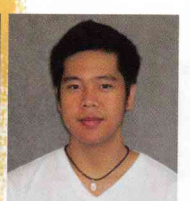
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Galatians 5:6

"For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love."

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STUDENT LIFE

I was born in a small town in the former USSR, in a country now known as Ukraine. My culture is very serious and prior to the fall of the USSR, it was an oppressive government. Life where I come from in the small town of Nikolaev is developing, but very old-fashioned. My grandfather and extended family do not own a computer, still use the outhouse and are very strong in their old traditions. I am blessed that God gave my parents the courage and strength to leave Ukraine after the fall of the USSR in hopes to better the lives their 6 children. My parents have taught us that with God and hard-work, you can literally accomplish anything.

God has kept my family even through hard life circumstances. All of us children have received college educations and some are even pursuing Masters and Doctorate degrees. God has provided for my schooling even though I did not qualify for many scholarships. I had no choice but to work in college and pay for my education. I was unable to afford books for half of my college degree, forcing me to borrow, copy and wing-it through some of my classes. I literally got a call every semester from Student Accounts office because my account had a financial hold. The stories go on, but God always provided supernatural provision. The only reason I was able to graduate was because of other people's generosity and God's provision. God really cares about the smallest things in our lives.

Nikolay Borisov



Nikolaev, Ukraine



Summer Missions

In the summer of 2012, Northwest University sent out four mission teams to different parts of the world to show God's love to the people of Ecuador, Indonesia, Thailand and Ukraine. The students who went knew that they would make a difference to the people they encountered, but they had no idea just how much they would be impacted in return. God inspired Patricia Praytino to overcome her fear of public speaking to preach a sermon to the youth in Indonesia. She has been forever changed by how God allowed her to overcome her fears and use her for His kingdom. Due to the success of these mission trips, the NUMA Missions program has greatly expanded and is sending out even more teams in the summer of 2013. "I think the 2012 trips really set the foundation for a stronger, more sustainable mission program at Northwest University," said David Woodard, Mission Director for the 2012-2013 school year.

"This trip showed me that love transcends cultures and language barriers. The only qualification one needs for missions is an open and loving heart."

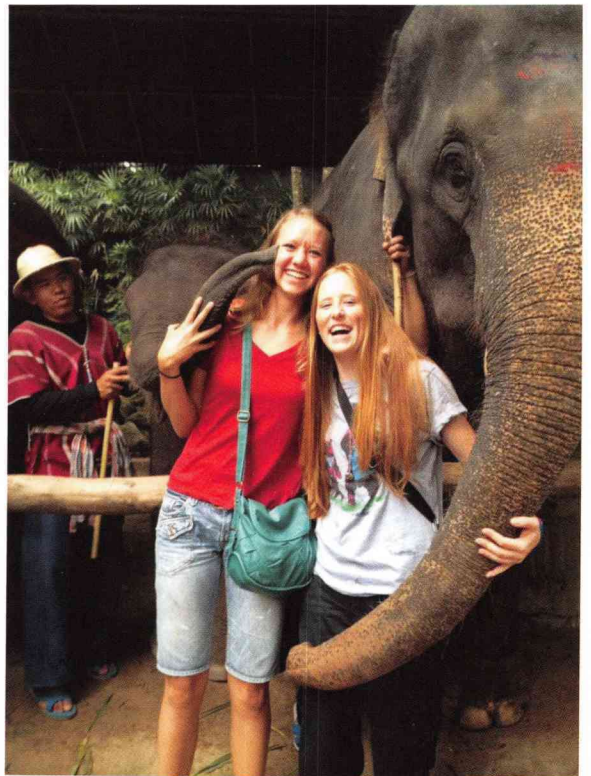
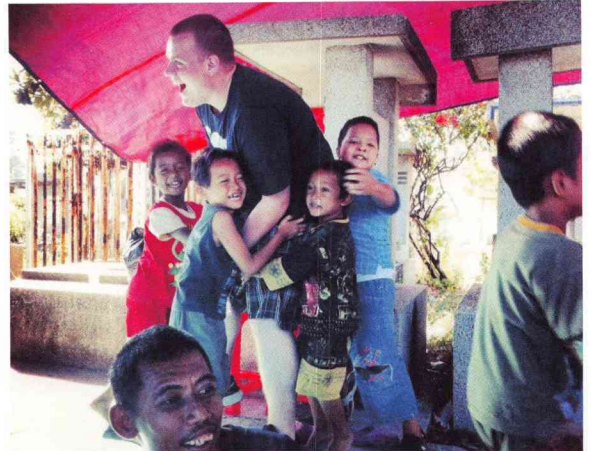
-Alayna Wood (Ukraine)

"I never knew what it was like to realize that we don't just serve a concept, but we follow a King."

-Carissa Strong (Ecuador)

"God impacted each of us individually, but it was amazing to see what he did in the community of Surabaya. The Indonesian people's passions and heart for God is incredible."

-David Woodard (Indonesia)





FACING PAGE:

TOP: David Woodard is greeted by children in Indonesia.

MIDDLE: Patricia Hughes and Sarah Stoker are getting ready to ride elephants in Thailand.

BOTTOM LEFT: The Thailand team sitting outside listening to a lesson on a sunny day.

BOTTOM RIGHT: The Ukraine team after a huge mud war.

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TOP: The Indonesia team wearing their full armor of God.

MIDDLE LEFT: Ecuador team posing for a group photo.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Julia Davenport teaching an English lesson to girls in Ukraine.

BOTTOM LEFT: A class of eager young students in Ecuador.

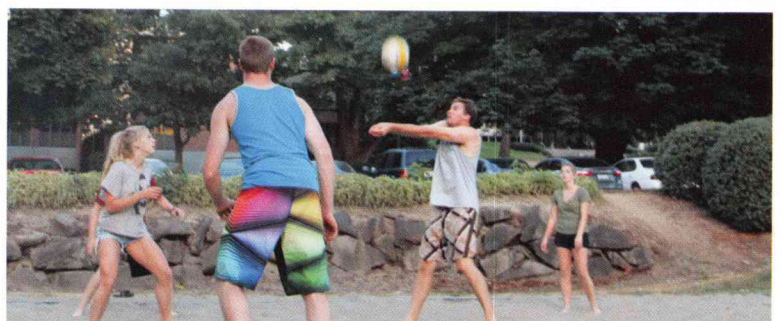


Mark 10: 14-15

Let the children come to me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly, I tell you that whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.

Orientation

Orientation 2012: where the class of 2016 first arrived at Northwest University. After unpacking the car and meeting their new roommate, students were encouraged to step out onto the green for fun and games. Volleyball and live music were on the schedule along with a twilight vigil to start the year off right. For many students, this would be their first chance to meet their future classmates. After what seemed like a million introductions, the new students took a part in a new journey. For many, the first year of college is the start of a new chapter into adulthood. Now looking back, we can understand how clueless we really were.





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TOP: Freshmen demonstrating their musical talent at NU Unplugged include Dennis Dorgan, Nikolas Johnson, Bethany Porter, Craig Corbin, Kelsey Trapp and Matthew Zwicker.

MIDDLE: Students gather for the twilight vigil in order to pray for the new school year.

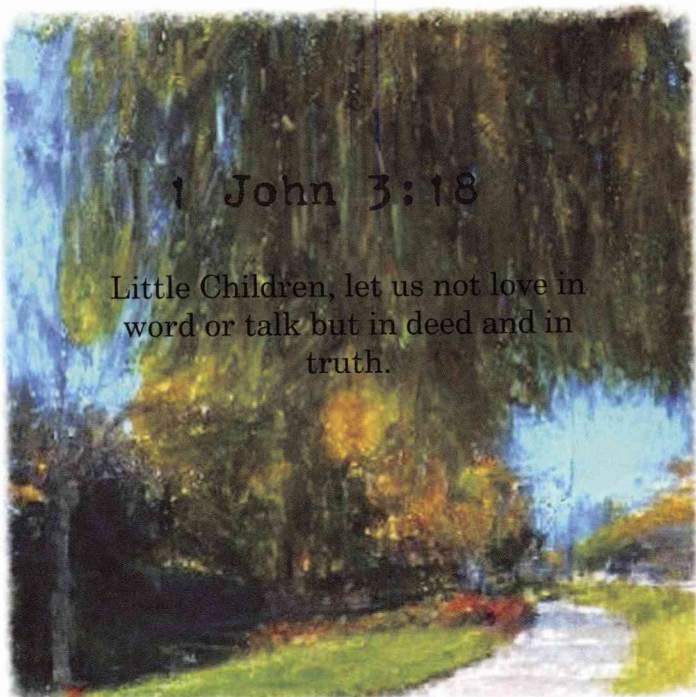
BOTTOM: International student Jong Hyuk Choi gets some NU pride painted on his face by Guy Emerson.

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TOP: Welcoming the new class, Katie Mittelstaedt helps a freshman with her warrior paint.

BOTTOM LEFT: Three freshman gather around a candle at the Twilight Vigil

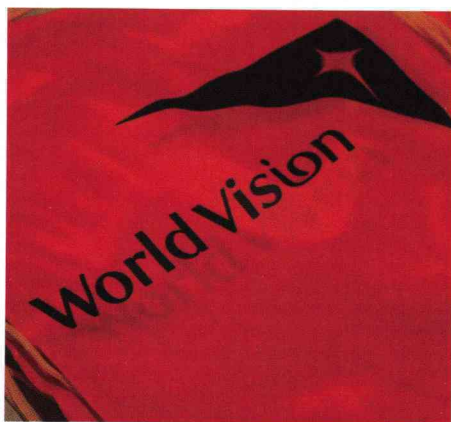
BOTTOM RIGHT: Kaisa Hall is joined by Jake Doty and Eric Gallup in playing Volleyball on the Green.



NUSG/Senate/SAB



"Northwest Student Government exists to inspire a fresh, Godly perspective challenging students to exceed the ordinary," is this year's NUSG mission statement and they have lived up to their goal. The team's focus for this year was bringing the school together and being able to collaborate with other leadership teams to ensure that the students' needs were being met and their voices were being heard in every area of their lives. "Big issues we wanted to tackle was breaking the NU bubble, collaborating between leadership, and seeing maturity on campus. We are seeing all of that," says Christian Witkoe, NU Student Body President. Community involvement has grown this year and students are showing a genuine hunger and passion for God. In November, NUSG set a goal for the school to raise \$14,000 in order to build medicine kits for World Vision. The organization agreed to match whatever amount the students raised. During chapel, the student body assembled the kits and wrote personal notes of encouragement for the care takers who would receive them. "It was amazing to see students respond and give generously," Christian said of the student's response.



TOP LEFT: Student takes time on the handwritten note that will be included in his kit.

MIDDLE LEFT: World Vision kit bag.

MIDDLE RIGHT: The students of NU partnered with World Vision to build 500 medicine kits for HIV/AIDS care takers overseas.

BOTTOM LEFT: Students gather sanitary supplies that help save lives and bring hope to the sick.

BOTTOM RIGHT: All smiles, Joseph Cobourn and Benjamin Howard build their kits.



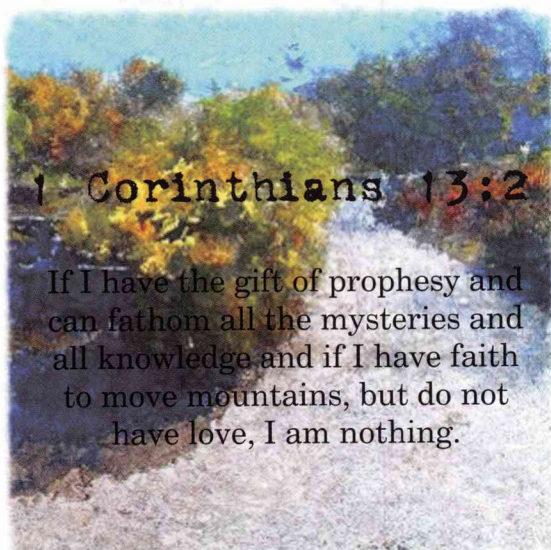
Other organizations who are striving to make a difference on campus are Senate and SAB. The 2012/13 Senate team has worked hard to help encourage community involvement by funding clubs. They facilitate resources to allow new groups to form and ensure the continuing provision for pre-existing clubs. They are the voice of their fellow peers and work to ensure that they are being represented. SAB is Northwest University's planning committee. This team has gone above and beyond this year. Ilona Trofimovich says, "Challenging students to exceed the ordinary has challenged them to go bigger and better than what has ever been done." In addition to events like the talent show, SEW, and Gotcha, they have started a new monthly series called "Saturday Night Life" where SAB plans an outing for students to get away from campus for awhile to hang out and get to know their peers.



TOP RIGHT: NU Student Government. (L-R) Linda Banda, Elizabeth Moberg, Christian Witkoe, Brett Koga, Ilona Trofimovich.

MIDDLE LEFT: Event Coordinators. Top (L-R) Noah Irish, Joseph Coburn, Katie Mittelstaedt, Leticia Vasquez, Martese Hightower, Bottom (L-R) Ilona Trofimovich, Emilee Larsen, Crista Greenwood, Joshua Risiko.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Senate Members. Top (L-R) Kaisa Hall, Joel Corbin, Jihyun Yoon, Brock Lintel, Nation Garza, Middle (L-R) Maritza Lino, Shandra Lucier, Brett Koga, Marlene Pierce, Bottom (L-R) Matthew Zwicker, Nancy Arriola, Angela Martey.



NUSG &

RES LIFE

EVENTS

This school year has seen a spike in student activities thanks to the combined efforts of NUSG and Res Life. Fall semester kicked off with the TGIThursday series where students all over campus joined together for fun and games such as Bigger and Better and the 90's night. And of course, there is the ever popular Gotcha in which students must hunt one another down and shoot their targets with water guns. The week concluded with a campus wide, hunger games inspired shoot out where the odds were definitely in the students' favor. NUSG also implemented a new monthly series entitled Saturday Night Life where the student body could come together off campus in a variety of different activities.





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TOP LEFT: A group of NU students gather together in Perks Lounge for some games during TGITHursday.

BOTTOM LEFT: Joseph Coburn and Emilee Larsen dress as game makers for the Hunger Game inspired Gotcha tournament.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Kenzie Villereal draws with some sidewalk chalk during TGITHursday.

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TOP RIGHT: David Kimball and Matthew Zwicker portray tributes for the Gotcha Finale.

MIDDLE: Andy Hall, Dan Jones, CJ Witkoe, Elizabeth Moberg, and Linda Banda pose during a barbecue.

BOTTOM LEFT: A group takes a picture before embarking on the corn maze during Saturday Night Life.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Katie Lundquist, Cindy Ramirez, Laurel. Montgomery, Rebecca Covarrubia, Valentine Korepanova, Maryanna Longinetti , and Perry Olsson having a blast at Candy Cane Lane.

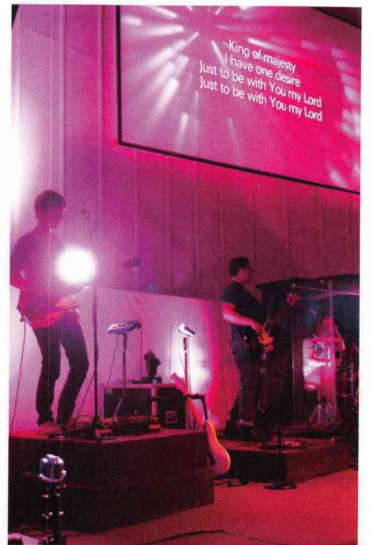
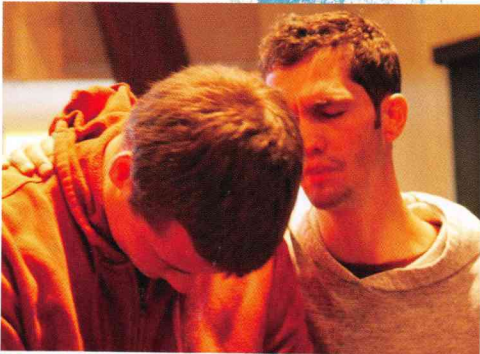
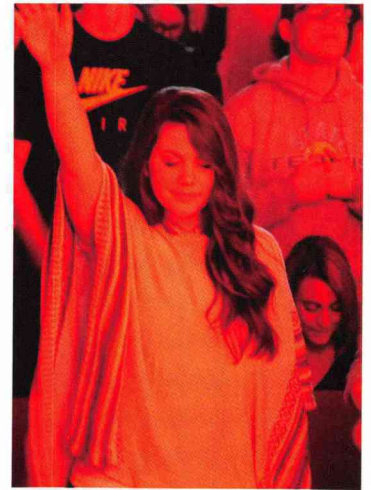
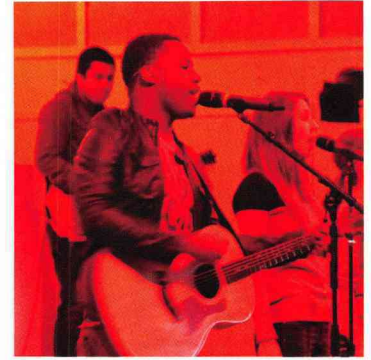


Romans 12:9-10

"Love must be sincere: Hate what is evil, cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love, honor one another above yourself."



Chapel is an amazing place for students to draw closer to God and seek Him wherever they are in their journey. He is with the students throughout their daily routine. He helps the community grow spiritually, intellectually, and socially. NU is a community, a school that will move the world into God's grace and love. The love of God is evident at this campus, yet His Spirit is not bound merely by location. Rather, it is bound by His love that the students spread. Not only in the walls of the chapel, but outside. They take God's lessons and give them to the world. As a body, we are called to show the broken what God has done for us and what He will do for them. The leaders of this campus, Pastor Phil, the worship team, and the leaders of Pursuit have a passion to serve this community and lead the students to a deeper place in their relationship with God. It is with that care and love that students will continue to see the work of God put into motion to inspire miracles, lead the lost, and love the living.



Chapel/Pursuit



1 Corinthians 12:12-13

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

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TOP LEFT: After taking notes on the message, a student praises God.

MIDDLE LEFT: Focused on Christ, a student worships with the band.

MIDDLE MIDDLE: Emilee Ringel leads prayer at the Pursuit Conference.

MIDDLE RIGHT: John Lorenzo gives the word.

BOTTOM: With hands raised, NU gives God all the praise.

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TOP LEFT: Guest speaker Chad Veach delivers a powerful sermon.

VERY TOP RIGHT: Nick Vittelaro performs an original spoken word to kick off Pursuit Conference.

TOP RIGHT: Christian Dawson singing for chapel.

MIDDLE LEFT: Josh Knight prays over a student.

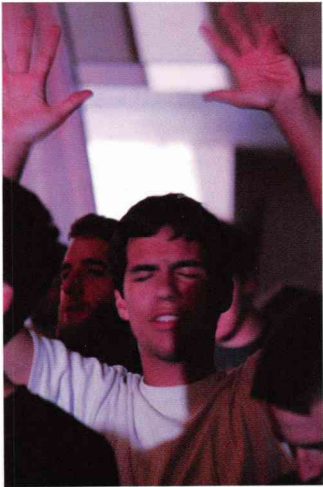
MIDDLE MIDDLE: Conference worship.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Avery Hopkins worshipping.

BOTTOM LEFT: Guest musician takes it away on the keyboard.

BOTTOM MIDDLE: Kaitlyn Rasmussen leads worship.

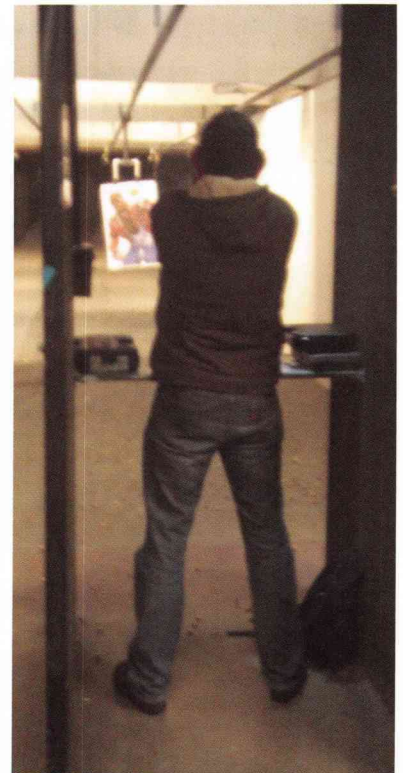
BOTTOM RIGHT: NU worship band leads worship at Pursuit.



Life Groups

Life Groups are communities of people with common interests, hobbies, or problems who gather together to encourage, uplift, and support one another while seeking Christ. These support systems are used to grow individuals in a friendly community. The vision of Life Groups at Northwest is to foster spiritual growth in small groups by building relationships. For the first time in NU history, we even have a gun safety life group led by Jered Leslie in which they learn how to approach gun use and gun rights with a Christ-like perspective.

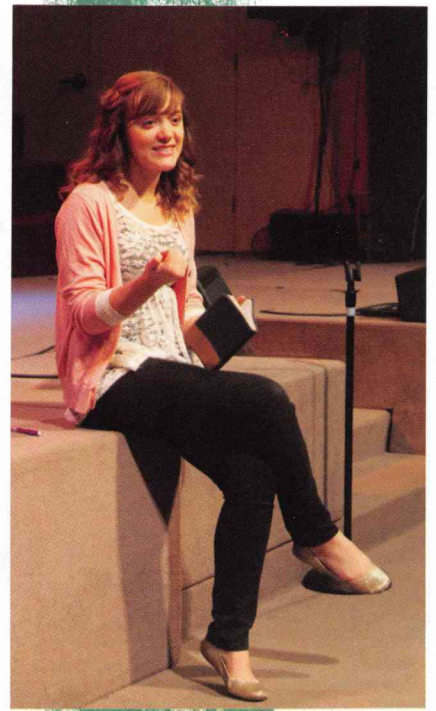
Each group has its own purpose, function, or focus that serves the members to equip and encourage them to carry the call not only within the school, but the community as well. Many outreach life groups have formed this year as a way to give back to the community of Kirkland and the greater Seattle area. Groups such as A.R.K. (Acts of Random Kindness), Embargo, and Lighthouse operate with the vision of spreading Christ's love to those in most need within our community.



Philippians 2:4

"Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others."





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TOP LEFT: All the Life Group Leaders together during Life Group Leader Chapel.

TOP RIGHT: Things get explosive at the range with NU Shooting Sports Life Group.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Rachel Saleen and Kelsey Greene, the leaders of the "Life Group for Athletes" sharing some laughs.

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TOP LEFT: Student advocates from Embargo wear signs with human trafficking statistics as a way to bring light and awareness to this worldwide epidemic.

TOP RIGHT: Laurisa Coffee, Life Group Coordinator talks to the other leaders about their goals.

MIDDLE LEFT: Haley Mourtier, Amber Carmack, Kaitlynn Ginther-Hart, Alexandra Paz, Heather Vereide, leader Anna Tatistcheff, and Rebecca Kennedy reach out to the community as a part of ARK.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Advertising for Lighthouse.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Pre Med Noobs MarMar Castro, Meena Richardson, Maritza Lino, Bethany Zigler, Micah Atwood, Alayna McKnight, and Hannah Jacob bond over Menchie's.

Proverbs 4:23

"Above all else, guard your heart; for it is the wellspring of life."



Intramurals

In the spirit of community, Northwest University offers many opportunities for students to come together for a nice friendly game of football, basketball, and volleyball. In the fall all the boys' floors and living areas compete with one another in Intramural Flag Football and the girls compete in a Powder Puff Football tournament as well. In the Spring, the living areas compete against each other for coed Intramural Basketball and Volleyball tournaments. This offers students a fun chance to get to know one another and bond over sports. Scott Lane, NUSG's Rec Sports Coordinator, has been working hard to provide more opportunities and events like these that will engage the community even more.



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TOP RIGHT: James Keith uses fast foot work to get past Patrick Bonesteel.

MIDDLE LEFT: Guy Emerson, Nevhamni Meade, Eric Gallup, and James Keith get ready to make their play.

MIDDLE RIGHT: The Chicks show their support to their brother floor.

BOTTOM LEFT: Jeffrey Kayser dodges opponents as he runs for a touch down.

BOTTOM RIGHT: The apartment and off-campus team discusses their next play.

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TOP LEFT: Two teams face off on the volleyball court in an intense match.

TOP RIGHT: Emily Potts gets ready to serve the ball.

MIDDLE LEFT: Lauren Beach and Timothy Fenton focus on their next move.

BOTTOM LEFT: Kindsi Lora, Michaela Gordon, and Amy Strombeck cheer on their team.

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TOP LEFT: Erik Brenecke serenades the audience with his music.

TOP RIGHT: Strumming away at her mountain dulcimer, Allie Routh entrances all who hear.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Karissa Warren delivers a powerful message through poetry.

BOTTOM RIGHT: A new sound hits the mic as Nick Vitelero beat-boxes.

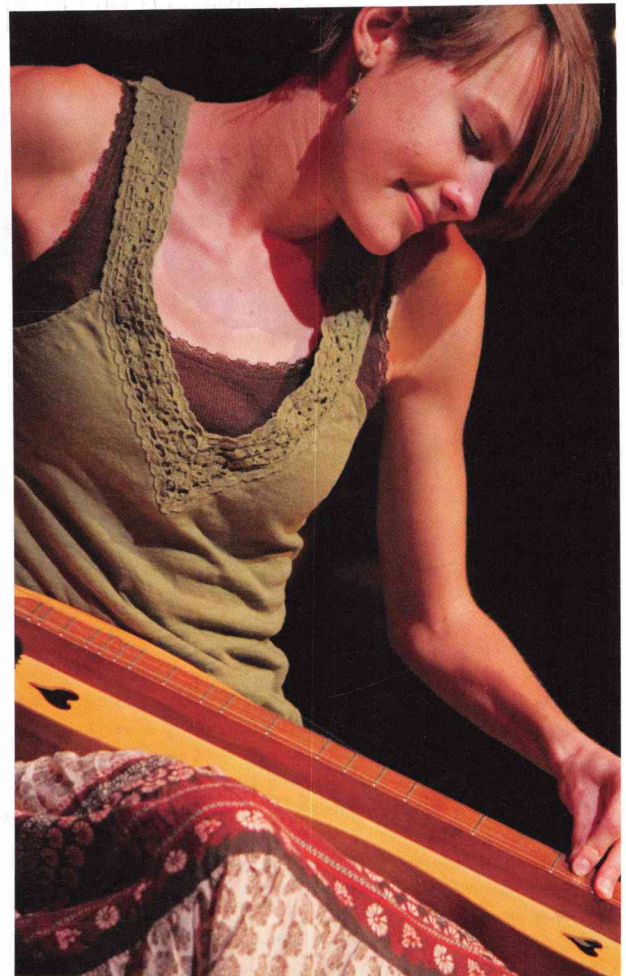
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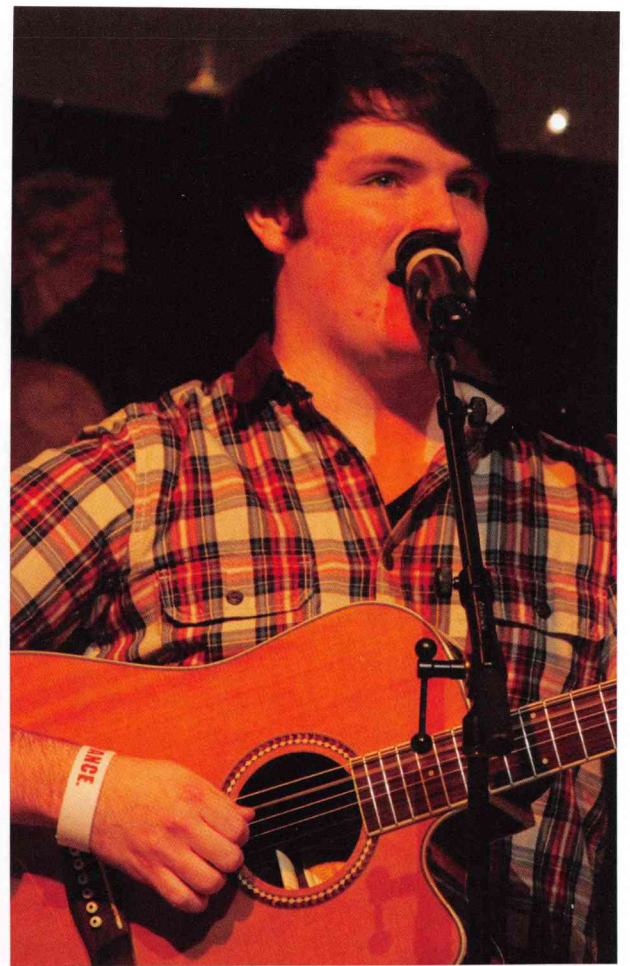
TOP LEFT: Talent Show winners take the stage for the encore of their dance routine.

TOP RIGHT: Peter McMurray performs an original song with his band.

BOTTOM LEFT: Hosts Eric Sandberg and Emily Swanby keep the audience entertained between acts.

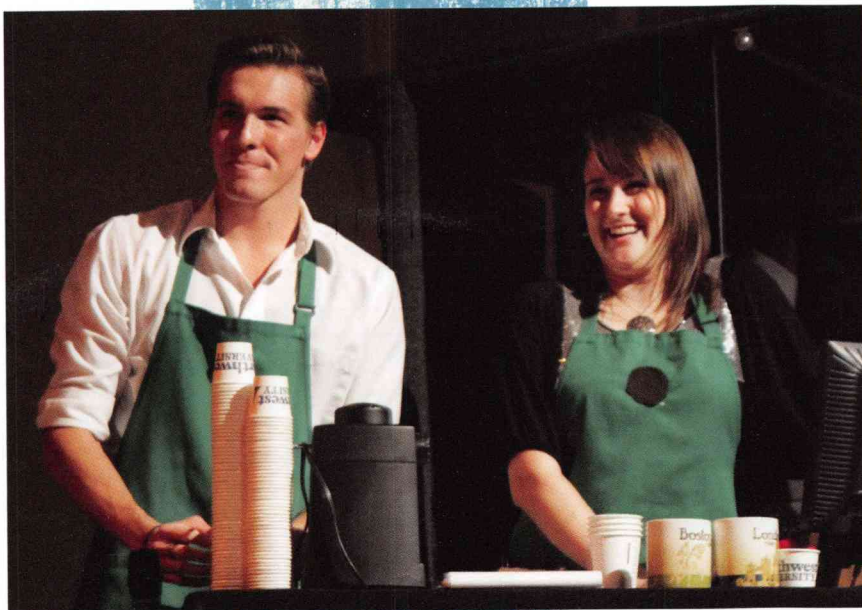
BOTTOM RIGHT: Charley Laas on vocals and guitar.





Talent Show

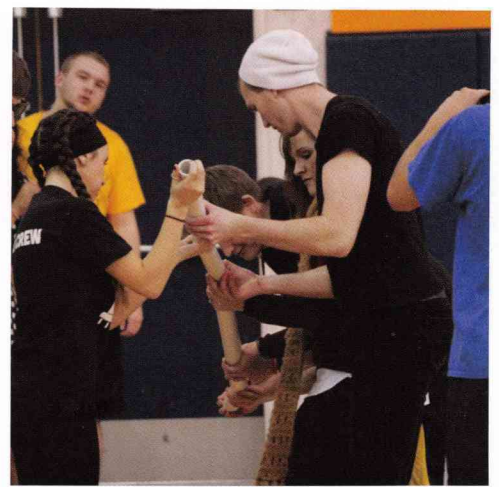
Singing, dancing, and poetry, oh my! Always a Fall Semester favorite, the NU Talent Show lived up to expectations and more. When students came to the Chapel to be entertained, they found it turned into a giant coffee shop complete with barista hosts and hilarious judges. Though there were several of the "usual" song acts, talents that also made an appearance included poetry, beat-boxing, interpretive dance, and folk instruments. Each act captivated the audience, but it was the final performance that stole the show with their rendition of "Gangnam Style." It was truly a night to remember.



S.E.W

Screaming Eagles Week, a battle to see which floor is in fact the best. With different tests of strength ranging from dodge ball, basketball, Treevivor Revived, Floor Olympics, music video and floor decorating competitions. Each floor picked a different movie trilogy to represent through out the week. The week ended with a fight to the finish and 500 once again was able to come out on top, surpassing FOA (firs, off campus, and apartments) and 200 by just a few points.





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UPPER TOP LEFT: Siobonh McManus dances her way into the gym during the 600 floor's entrance dance.

LOWER TOP LEFT: Michael Bowman holds on to a fellow student's leg in the annual game of Amazon Woman, which he compares to speed dating.

TOP RIGHT: Micah Atwood clashes a symbol and leads the 100 floor in the congo line at the end of the Floor Olympics.

MIDDLE LEFT: MarMar Castro grabs onto Stephen Garcia in an effort to pull him out of the pile of men.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Alex Nasa one of the highest scorers of the competitive 200 floor, claps his hands together after making a three point shot in the basketball tournament.

BOTTOM LEFT: Happy to be done, Vanessa Ahrendt, the 200 floor "jumper" for the Treevivor Revived, embraces a fellow floor member after jumping for three hours on a mini trampoline.

BOTTOM MIDDLE: Jake Campbell and Therin Cabrera act out a scene from the 400 floors rendition of back to the Future.

BOTTOM RIGHT: With only 90 seconds to show off their dance skills, Nathan Smith leads the 300 floor in their floor entrance.

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TOP LEFT: Nation Garza pumps up the crowd.


TOP MIDDLE: Tiffany Hathaway serenades the crowd in effort to gain points for FOA.

TOP RIGHT: CJ Witkoe holds a piece of pipe steady as the FOA group attempts to score points in an Olympic game.

MIDDLE: The Ducks and Chicks of the 500 floor celebrate winning screaming eagle week once again.

1 John 4:18

"There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love."

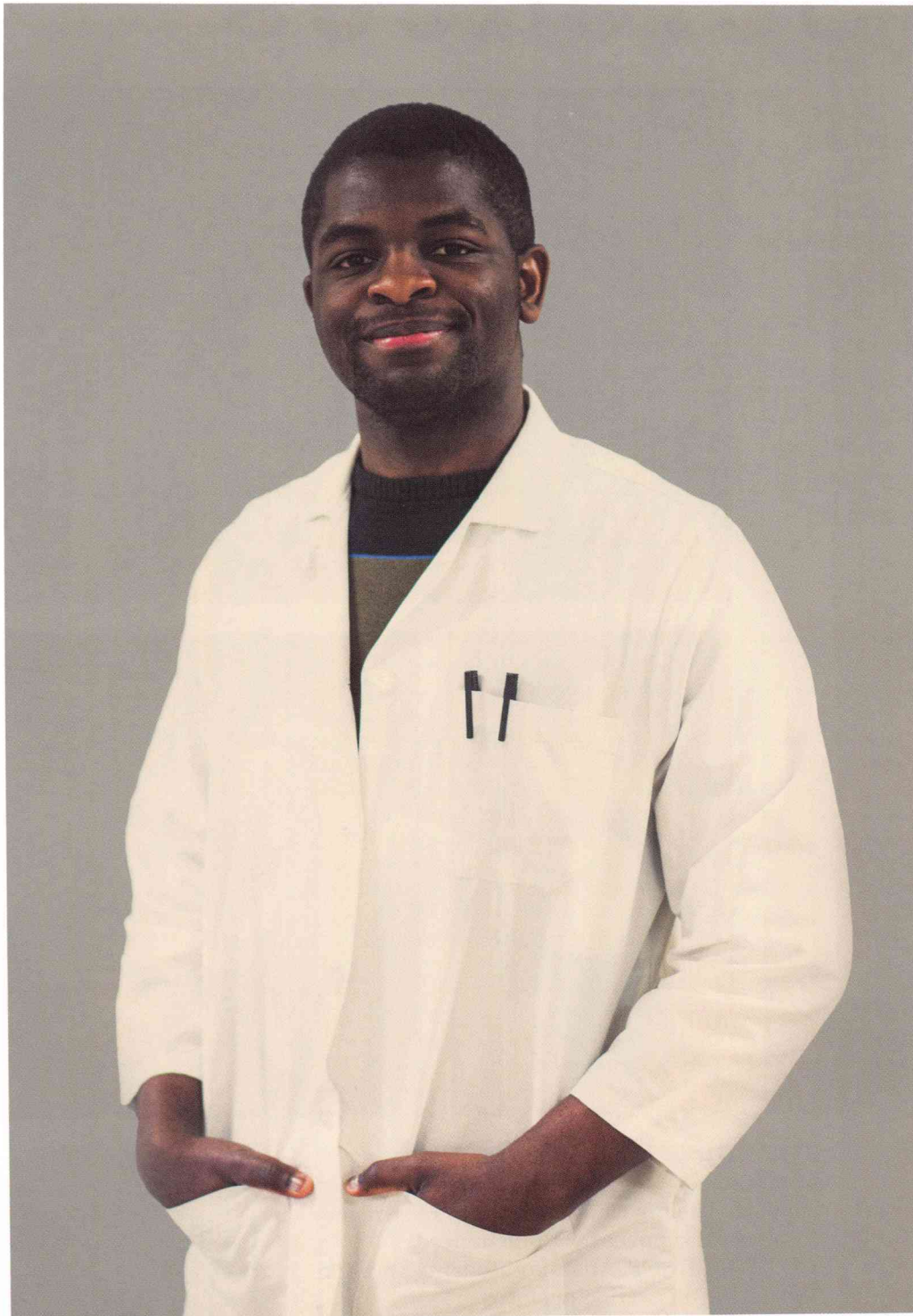


ACADEMICS

Nigeria is different because a lot of people are suffering. However, this suffering does not tarnish the beauty of the Nigerian people in that they are committed to the gospel. They carry their burden with Joy while putting their trust and hope in Christ. It is really a different atmosphere!!!

My country Nigeria is one that is experiencing a lot of changes, however, God is doing a great work and moving in my country. God has and is continuing to transform me into a man who is after His heart. He has continued to let me walk into tough situations and giving me the grace to grow from it. He is changing my understanding of what the world is and what it ought to be, prompting me to become an advocate for what is just and fair.

Agustine Ajuogu

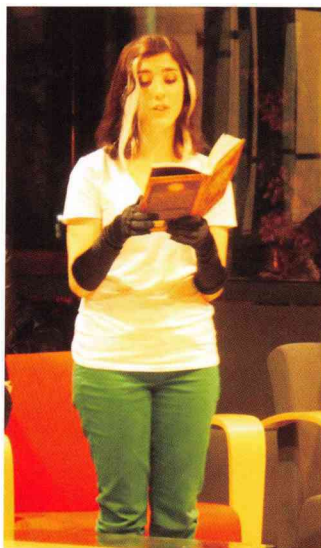
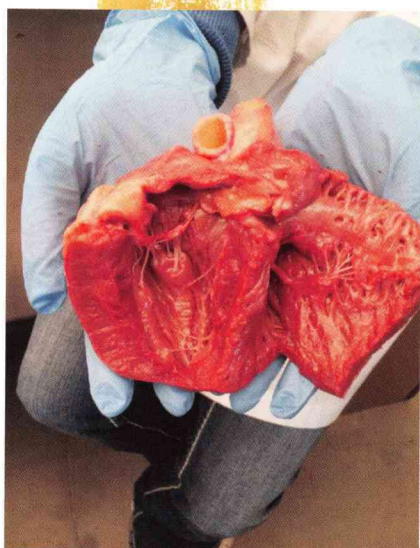


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School of Arts And Sciences

The most diverse school, the Arts and Sciences department includes all kinds of majors. To name a few would be Chemistry, Religion & Philosophy, History, Mathematics, Political Science, English, and even Film Studies. Students in this school are as diverse as their majors, united in the passion of their studies.



TOP RIGHT: Led by the Environment Committee of NUSS, students come out to support "The Big Run" for Haiti to raise money for medical supplies for those in need.

BOTTOM LEFT: Anatomy students have fun learning by dissecting pig hearts.

BOTTOM MIDDLE: Catherine Pasculli, dressed as X-Men's "Rouge," reads a thriller at the English Honor Society's event "Spooky Stories by the Fire."

BOTTOM RIGHT: Kaisa Hall and Michael Bowman on the set of King 5 News' New Day Northwest for their Mass Communication class.

John 4:7

"Beloved let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God."



School of Business

The Business world is cut throat, but NU Business majors are making it Christ-centered. Through the connections they make here in the Kirkland community and abroad in Prague, these students are representing NU well.



TOP TOP LEFT: Students pose for a picture amid their site-seeing and business activities in Prague, Czech Republic.

TOP RIGHT: Nickey Ricks makes connections at the Internship Fair.

LOWER TOP LEFT: Members of Delta Mu Delta pose for a picture at their induction ceremony.

MIDDLE LEFT: SoGood Business entrepreneurs Augustine Ajuogu, Nikolay Borisov, and Paul Lee D with a friend Delaney at the launch party of their new all-natural personal care product business.

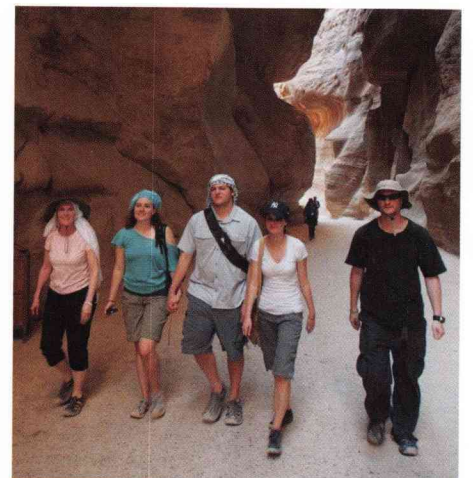
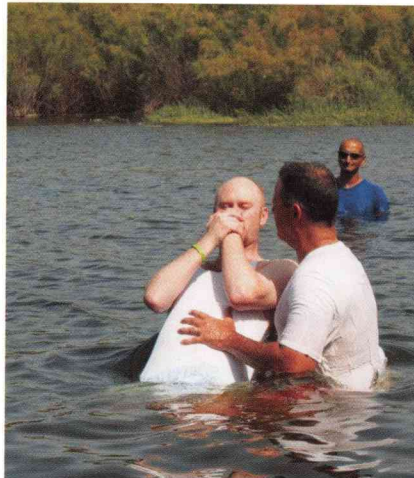
BOTTOM LEFT: Rebekah Turk, Austin Remington, and Kayla Bolte having fun in Prague.

College of Ministry

Colossians 3:12

"Since God chose you to be the Holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tender hearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience."

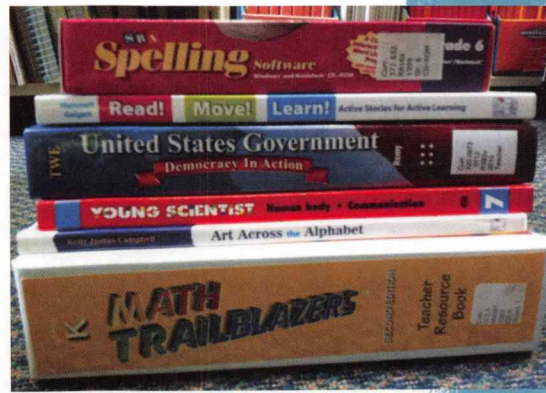
The College of Ministry is designed to equip and raise up students who feel God's call in their lives to be future pastors and ministers. The classes and professors engage and inspire students to carry the call as they use their gifts to glorify and build God's kingdom. The professors invest in the students' lives and help them understand the importance of living by God's word and leading others to do the same. From preaching tours around the US to tours of the ancient lands where so much of our Christian heritage has taken place, the experience that students receive within the College of Ministry is one that is both rich and powerful. "I feel stronger in my beliefs and more confident in my gifts because of my experience at Northwest," said senior, Beckers Williams.



TOP LEFT: Students went to Los Angeles for their preaching tour.
MIDDLE LEFT: The students pose for a photo in downtown LA.
MIDDLE RIGHT: Students who went on the Israel trip ride camels through the desert.
BOTTOM LEFT: Dustin Bell is baptized in the Sea of Galilee.
BOTTOM RIGHT: Alycia Gentry, Cole Johnson, Madison Whitlock, and Dustin Bell walk through the canyons in Israel.



TOP LEFT: Students in the School of Education, Miranda Eller, Michael McCormack, Kimberly Pearce, Lauren Johnson, Heather Vereide, and Crista Greenwood gather for a group photo.
MIDDLE LEFT: Education majors see all kinds of curriculum for kids through all ages.
BOTTOM LEFT: A student studies math curriculum in the library in order to organize appropriate classroom activities.



School of Education

There is no influence in a student's life quite like that of a teacher. The School of Education strives to raise up students to be Christ-centered teachers that will influence and impact the communities around them. Sophomore Heather Vereide has dreamed of being a teacher and investing in her students' lives and she says that the community within Northwest University, and especially within the School of Education, has helped shape her for that future. "The professors really care about us as individuals and about our success. They inspire me to be all that I can be and I hope that in turn, I can inspire my future students to be all that they can be."

School of Nursing



Mark 16:15

"And He said unto them, Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

As students the nursing majors will tell you it's no picnic getting through four years of tests and classes, but as nurses they will tell you of the impact they have on others lives. This is best exemplified in the senior nursing trips. Locations this year included Africa, Alaska, India, and Taiwan. Many nursing students got the experience of a life time watching and doing what God has called them to do.



TOP LEFT: Alina Grinchuk Rides a Camel in India.

MIDDLE LEFT: The team in Taipei Taiwan having fun at the National Place Museum.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Top row, Halini Nation, Jessica Akers, Kalie Messic, Marlaina Snaveley, Kyleigh Mortensen, Rose Livermore. Bottom Row: Brittany Gross and Sarah Reynolds.

BOTTOM LEFT: Megan Miller at an orphanage in Africa.

BOTTOM RIGHT: The group sent to India are wearing traditional Indian Saree's after attending Church in Calcutta. The nursing majors from left to right are: Mollie McCully, Alina Grinchuk, Lindsey Wagner, Hanna Kim, and Vanessa Borja.



Social/Behavioral Sciences

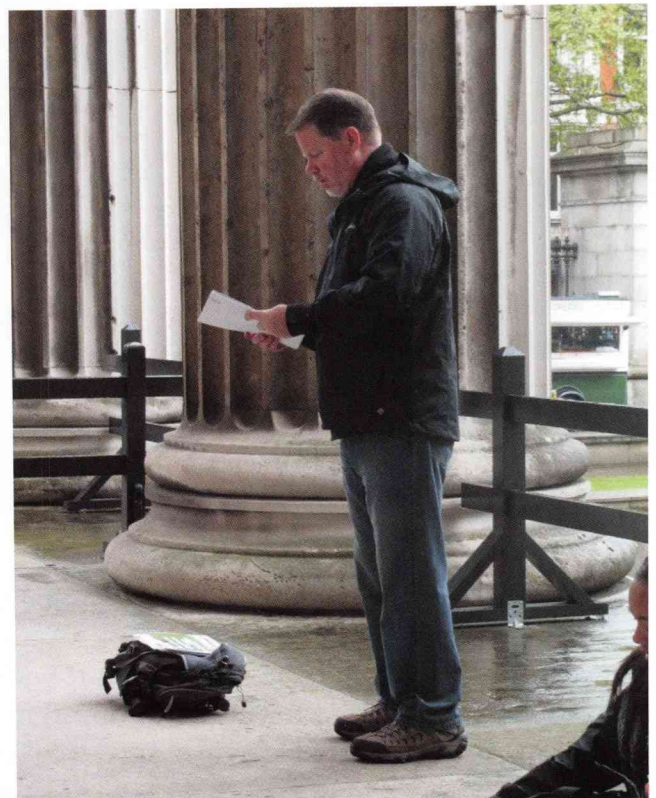


TOP LEFT: View of London from the London Eye.

MIDDLE LEFT: Tara Singer, Marsha Rivera, Victoria Williams, Caitlin Chapman, Shaina Williams, and Cait McLucas on the London Eye.

TOP RIGHT: View of the London Bridge.

BOTTOM LEFT: Dr. Nelson lecturing to the psychology students.



Every summer, the Psychology department gets an opportunity to travel abroad and study the development and advancement of psychology around the world. This past summer, the class traveled to England, Scotland, and Ireland where they got to explore several of the churches and even Darwin's home. Through this experience, the students were able to bond with one another and the professors. The students are able to learn about the applications of psychology and how it interacts with their faith while still receiving an objective and well rounded education. Victoria Williams, who is graduating in the spring, is very appreciative of the different experiences she has had through the Psychology department at NU. "I really wanted to learn about psychology through a Christian perspective. I believe God can use anyone in any field to reach the hurting and I think you limit yourself with helping the healing process when you take God out of it." she said.

Fall 2012 Production of:
The Learned Ladies **Drama**
of Park Avenue

FIRST ROW: Nikolas Johnson and Grace Snyder.

SECOND ROW: Patrick LaMourea, Mikayla Day, and Robert Roach.

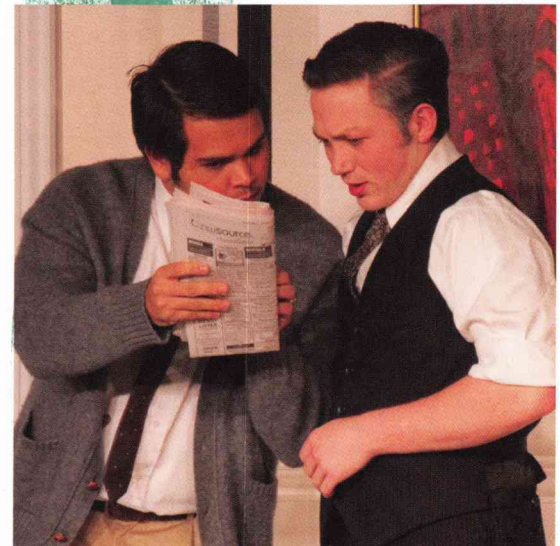
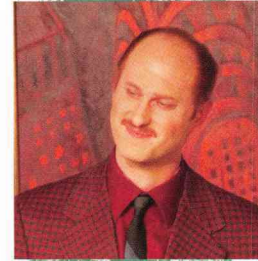
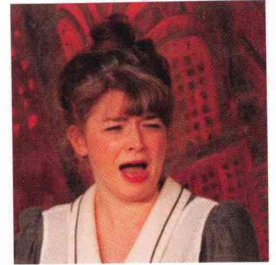
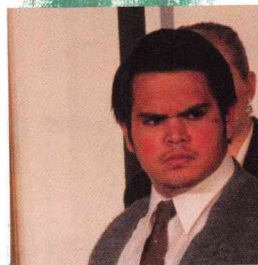
THIRD ROW: Stephanie Kroschel, Blake Hyodo, Shyla Levitt, Dustin Bell, and Jenna Rutherford.

MIDDLE LEFT: Shyla Levitt and Mikayla Day as Ramona and Betty Crystal.

MIDDLE MIDDLE: Jenna Rutherford as Aunt Sylvia.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Nikolas Johnson and Robert Roach as Henry Crystal and Uncle Rupert.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Stephanie Kroschel and Dustin Bell as Phyllis Crystal and Upton Gabbit.



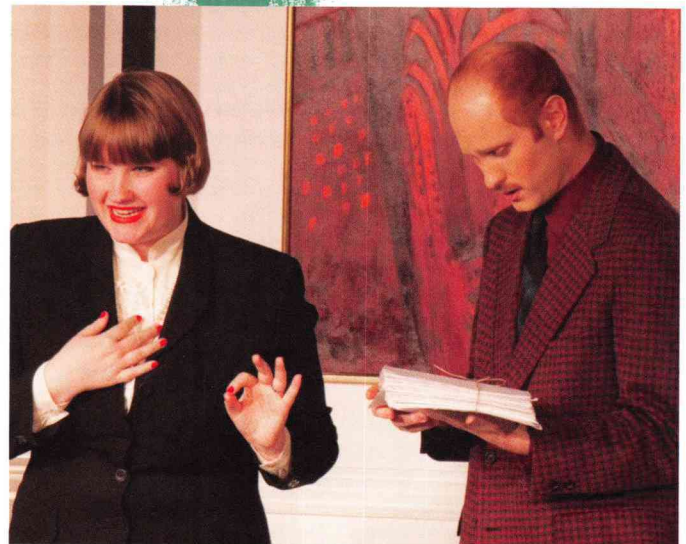
"Not only was it a wonderful opportunity to perform satire, I also enjoyed working with my fellow cast members and director."

- Grace Snyder, Magda

"The cast of *Learned Ladies* was an energetic, talented group of actors. They took on a witty, edgy, contemporary comedy and filled it with life.

Their work made for entertaining rehearsal process and two great performance weekends!"

- Chrystal Helmcke



Spring 2013 Production of:

The Spitfire Grill

"It was really good! And I knew he was Eli. :)"

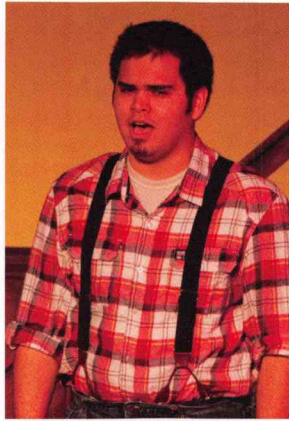
- **Jarkilla Robinson**

"A wonderful production put on once again by our fellow peers. I really enjoyed it!"

- **Eric Gallup**

"Their voices were incredible - they could all sing really well, and that was a highlight for me!"

- **David Kimball**



TOP LEFT: Krysta Garza, Beth Ross, and Taylor Swanby as Percy, Effy, and Sheriff Joe Sutter.

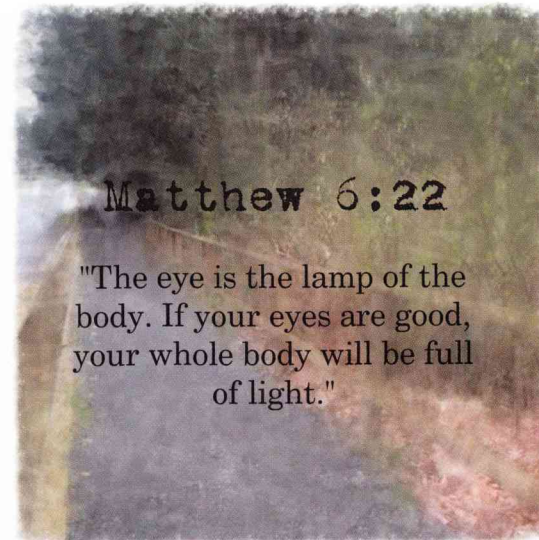
MIDDLE LEFT: Taylor Swanby as Sheriff Joe Sutter.

MIDDLE MIDDLE: Lauren Leer and Robert Roach as Hannah and Eli.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Nikolas Johnson as Caleb Thorpe.

LOWER MIDDLE LEFT: Krysta Garza as newly-released prisoner Percy.

BOTTOM LEFT: Improv takes the stage.



Improv

Improv provides us with laughs every Thursday night throughout the year. This is an audition-only group that improvises off of audience members' ideas. This year's members were: Arturo Monroy, Beth Ross, Cole Johnson, Emily Swanby, Grace Snyder, Kevin Sankey, Mason Wheeler, Nikolas Johnson, Peter McMurray, Stephanie Kroschel, and Taylor Swanby.

Jazz Band

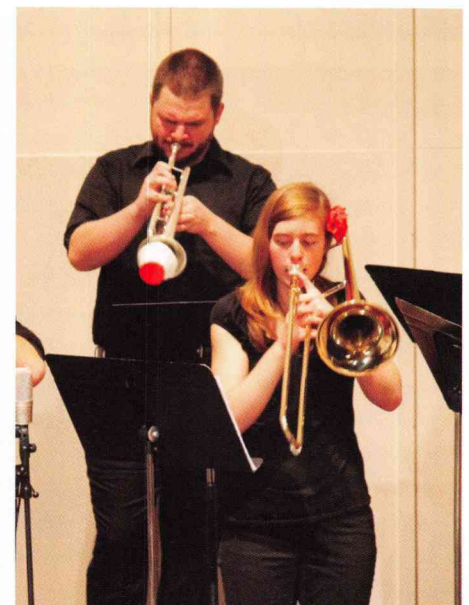
Lionel Hampton

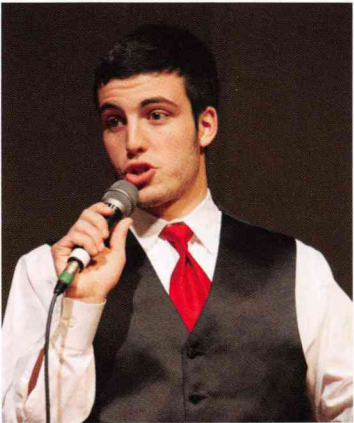
The jazz ensembles left a great impression at the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival, hosted at the University of Idaho, in February. Many members feel as though this was their strongest performance of the year.



Psalm 150:4

"Praise him with the tambourine...praise him with strings and flutes!"





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TOP LEFT: Emily Swanby performs at the Fall concert.

TOP RIGHT: Jazz Choir sings in complete harmony.

UPPER MIDDLE RIGHT: Taylor Swanby solos at the Fall concert.

UPPER MIDDLE LEFT: Ronnie Hastie belts out his solo.

LOWER MIDDLE RIGHT: Katie McLaughlin serenades the audience with her solo.

LOWER MIDDLE LEFT: Austin Rojan accompanies the choir on drums.

BOTTOM LEFT: The jazz choir puts on a spectacular first show at the Fall performance.

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UPPER TOP LEFT: Kevin Sankey solos at the Fall concert.

LOWER TOP LEFT: Joshua Bridgewater playing at the Fall performance.

TOP RIGHT: Drew Baddeley rocks the bass.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Jazz band at their Fall performance

BOTTOM LEFT: Nikilas Cuddeback and Micah Atwood really bring the jazz feel with their saxophones.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Representing the trumpets and trombones are Brandon Long and Kristina Lafferty.

Jazz Choir

Lionel Hampton Results:

Synergy Vocal Jazz took Top Honors in the Vocal Jazz College and University division.

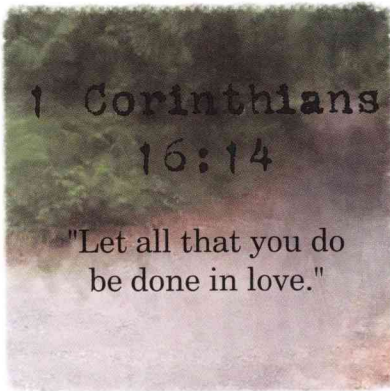
Drew Baddeley took Top Honors in the Instrumental Solo Division.

Julia Coulson took top honors in the Vocal Solo division.

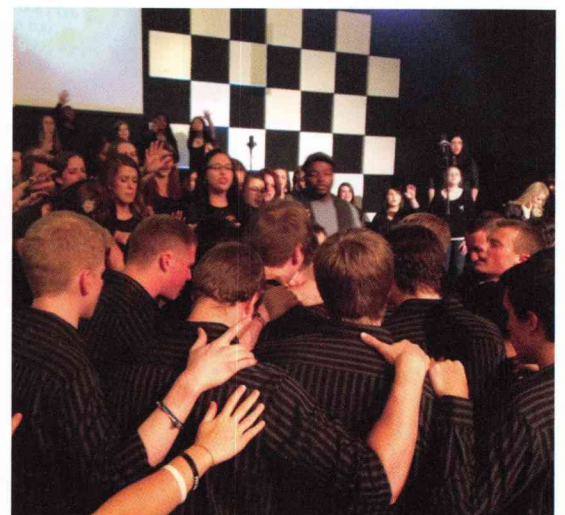
"A special commendation to the student members of the NU Jazz Band who gave their best performance of the academic year. They rose to the occasion demonstrating a high level of individual musical skill and quality ensemble performance."

- Director Ken Prettyman

Choralons



In 2013 the Choralons ministry was able to minister in churches and schools around the Northwest. In addition to local outreach, Choralons took their Spring Tour to Las Vegas, Nevada. Choralons provides an opportunity for students to reach out to an audience and lead churches in worship. They carry the call through this act of service and spread the word of God through their gifts and talents.



TOP LEFT: Krysta Garza delivers a powerful testimony during a performance.

MIDDLE LEFT: Christian Dawson leads the choir in a worship song.

MIDDLE RIGHT: The entire choir during a performance.

BOTTOM LEFT: Lauren Leer, Skylar Lindseth, Kelsie Geer, Conor Hedge, Lexie Calvo, Melissa Glazier, Kirsten Saari, Kimberlyn Helin, Alyssa Fox, Carly Sharbono, Alexandra Paz, and Annabel Lettelier pose for a photo.

BOTTOM RIGHT: The choir prays over one another.



TOP LEFT: Director Bill Owen and his wife.

MIDDLE LEFT: Drew Baddeley sings out at Benaroya Hall.

TOP RIGHT: Northwest University Concert Choir and the University Presbyterian Cathedral Choir joined the Rainier Symphony to present "Christmas Traditions" at Benaroya Hall.

MIDDLE RIGHT: The violin adds to the ensemble of the Choir

BOTTOM LEFT: Charley Laas sings with other Choir members.



Concert Choir

The Northwest University Concert Choir was directed this year by none other than Bill Owen. The 2012 December Concert entitled, "Christmas Traditions" featured new carol arrangements and Christmas selections by David Willcocks, John Rutter, Healy Willan, Bob Chilcott and more. The Concert Choir was joined by the University Presbyterian Choir and was accompanied by the Rainier Symphony. Together they made an unforgettable night of harmonies with voices and instruments. Under the Guidance of Bill Owen the Choir is sure to continue thriving for many years to come.

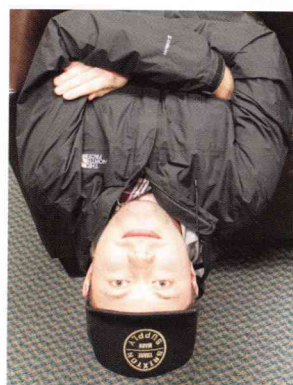
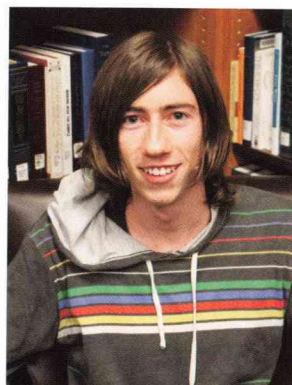
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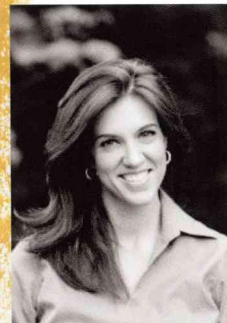
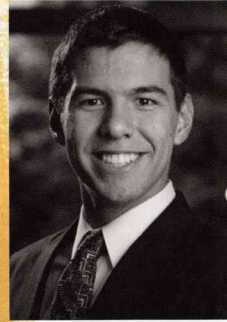
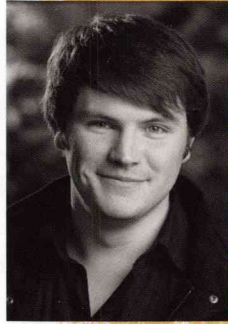
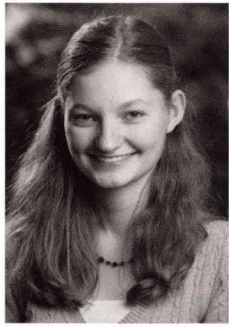
Yearbooks are created as a way to capture and immortalize the memories that have been made throughout the year so that students and future generations can look back and see the legacy that has been left behind by those before them. The yearbook staff this year consisted of a core group of individuals dedicated to bringing you the best yearbook experience available.

TOP ROW: Editor in Chief Meagan Governor, Managing Editor Ashley Brew, Head Photographer Jonathon Foster, Layout Editor Alayna Wood, and Karisma/Talon Liason Vashti Mckown.

MIDDLE ROW: Photographers Kaisa Hall, Jacob Campbell, Kaitlyn O'Neil, and Anna Tatistcheff.

BOTTOM ROW: Layout designers Rachel Brewster, Isaac Wastman, Matthew Porter, and Amanda Helt.





Talon

Extra! Extra! Read all about it! Hot off the press is the buzz over this year's Talon newspaper staff. Under the fearless guidance of Editor in Chief, Coleen Weimer, the Talon has experienced some major changes. The most evident being the change from newspaper to magazine, giving the publication a more professional feel. Many students have responded positively to the new Talon and are excited to see what else is in the Talon's future.

TOP ROW: Editor in Chief Coleen Weimer, Senior staff writers Heather Karnes, Alycia Scheidel, and Kaitlyn O'Neill, Chief Photographer Leslie Newman, and Web Manager Bryttani Giles.
SECOND ROW: Staff Writers Beth Ross, Kalynn Brown, Dakota Wise, Peter McMurray, Kelsey Smith, and Sheidy Rantung.
THIRD ROW: Staff photographer and layout designer Matthew Zwicker and Karisma/Talon Liason Vashti Mckown.
Fourth Row: Staff advisor Dr. Kara Heinrichs.

Debate



When one thinks about different outlets for evangelizing, debate may not be one source that immediately pops into one's head. But this year, The Northwest University debate team made it one of their goals to spread the message of Christ through debate. "We wanted to represent Christ among other schools who may not have the same faith or beliefs that we do," said Marlene Pierce. Debate offers an opportunity for students to build relationships with one another and one of the most unique things about it is that it allows students from all over the world to come together and connect over issues that matter. In order to ensure that they were able to be most effective, the debate team prayed together and did devotionals so that they could keep Christ at the center of all that they were doing. Marlene and her partner prayed together before their tournaments. The debate team emphasizes community on campus by inviting the students to come to the tournaments that the team hosted at NU and through life groups. Anneliese Herms and Abigail Kruse host a life group that invites students to come together and discuss political and global issues together. The debate team's reach also stretches to the international community as they help host and accommodate international teams that compete from all over the world. "The unique thing about debate that differs from other sports is that while they compete against one school, debate interacts and competes with up to thirty schools. We are constantly in contact with people outside our community," states Marlene. Debate offers students an opportunity to carry the call and be engaged in the world.

KCNU

KCNU is a unique and engaging class that allows students to design and host their own radio show for school credit. "One important thing the professor teaches us is how to find the truth in the media and be critical of what is presented to us," said Spring semester DJ Dakota Wise. The professor has a vast array of knowledge through years of media and radio experience and thus, teaches the students the ins and outs of the radio business. "I enjoy this class because I get to learn a different skill set that I never had before and it also helps with public speaking," said Wise.



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TOP: The team lets down their professional demeanor to show their silly side.

MIDDLE LEFT: Mikayla Day delivers her rebuttal with poise and tact.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Kyle Hamar is expressive when arguing his case.

BOTTOM LEFT: Captain Calvin Horne leads the team by example.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Debate Team: Kyle Hamar, Gui Chevalier, James Bowsher, Mikayla Day, Annaliese Herms, Abigail Kruse, Jay Dena Hart, Marlene Pierce, and Calvin Horne.

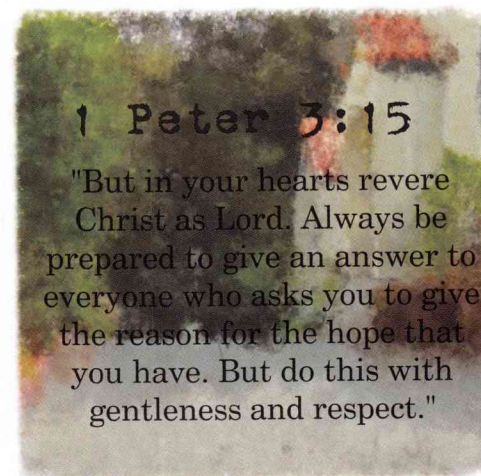
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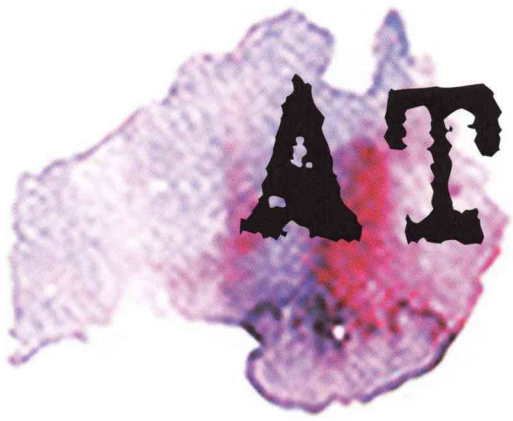
TOP: Brock Lintel closes out his radio show.

MIDDLE LEFT: The studio is all set up.

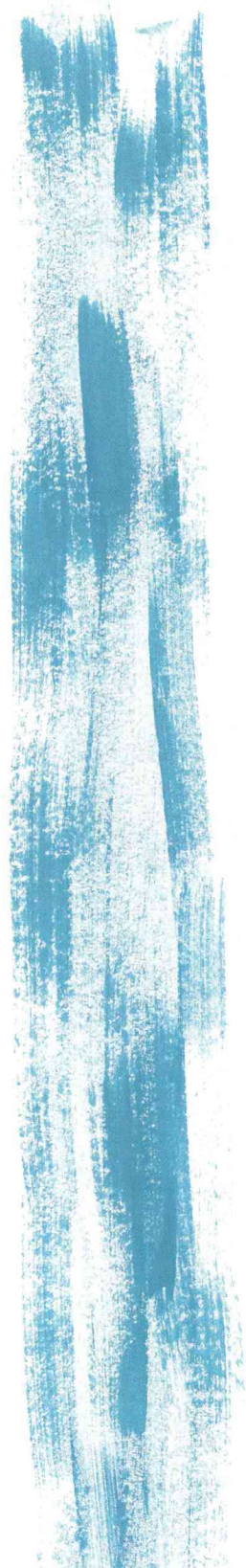
UPPER MIDDLE RIGHT: The control board is used to record the radio shows.

LOWER MIDDLE RIGHT: Dakota Wise gets ready for his radio show.





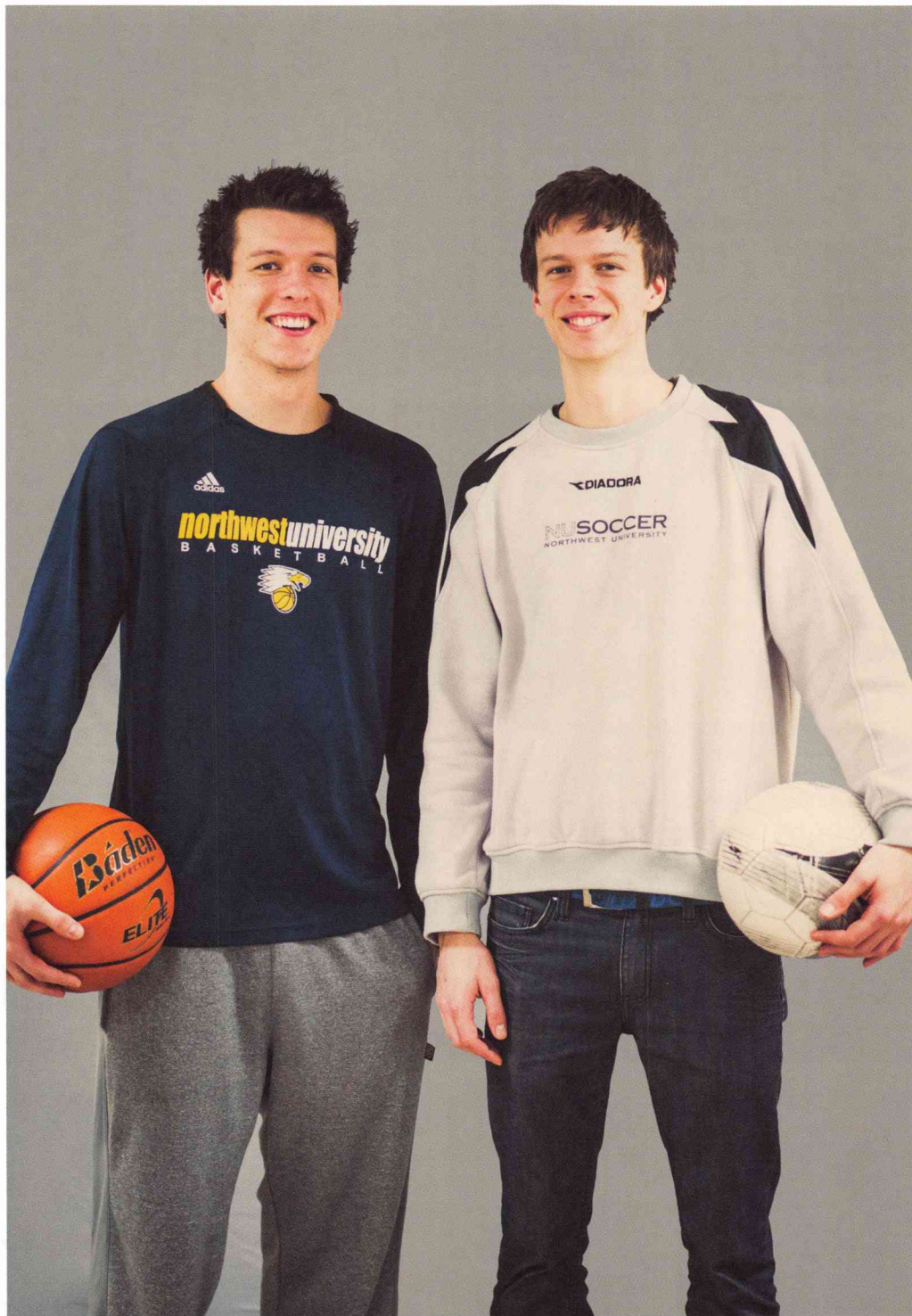
ATHLETICS



Being accepted into Northwest University was a huge blessing on my life and has changed me in numerous ways. I cannot begin to describe how people have influenced me while being here and how much I am honoured to be able to represent Northwest as a student athlete for the men's basketball team. Coming from Australia to Northwest and becoming apart of the basketball program helped change my life. I had never played on a Christian team before and the experiences have been unforgettable. Having a team that is like a family was a crazy realization that I soon grew to understand. Knowing that my teammates not only cared about how well I performed on the court, but also were interested in my faith and life off the court was an enormous blessing. Having teammates and coaches that encouraged me and my walk with Christ helped turn my life around and change me into a completely different person. Being in chapel and looking around to see teammates and friends praising God around me was something I had never experienced before and was an encouragement in itself. Praying before and after basketball games, regardless of the outcome, is always a special moment I cherish, as I can finally use my talents to worship God with other people who share the same passion. This team is a family with men I have grown to respect, value and love.

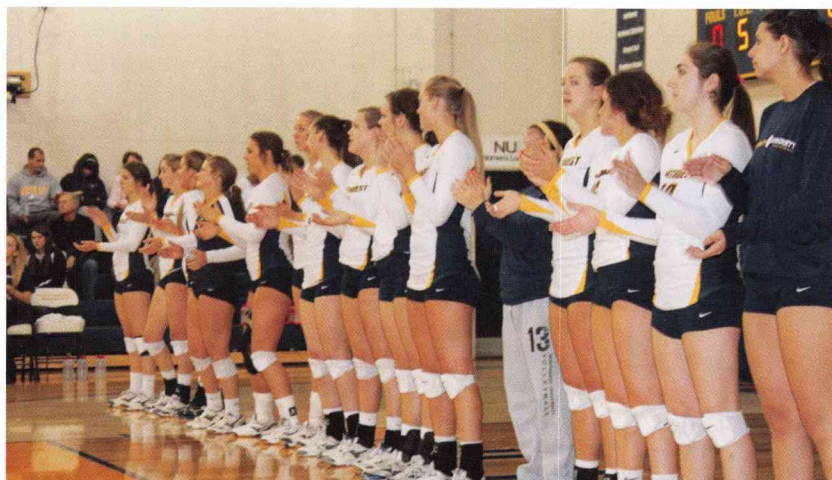
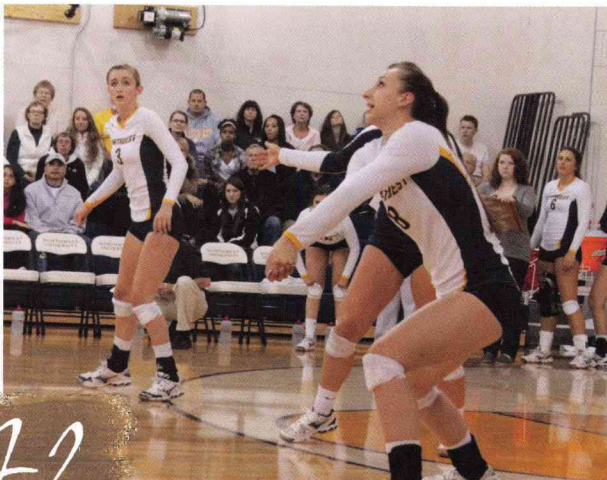
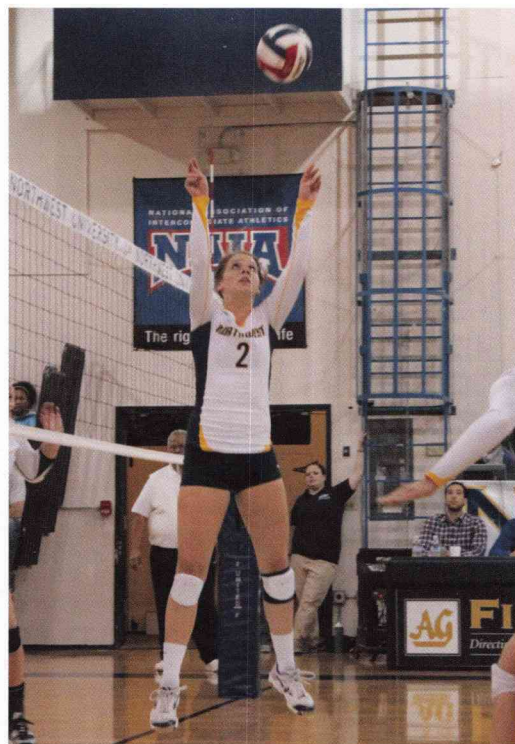
God blessed me even further during my sophomore year, by opening up the opportunity for my little brother to come and play for the men's soccer team. I had no idea it was a possibility, so when it was finalized I was pumped. Being away from family is tough and my sophomore year was difficult for a number of reasons. Having my little bro there definitely helped me get through the challenging times. He was always around when I needed him and his hugs went a long way. If Northwest didn't open up the opportunity for him to study and play here, I don't know where I would be without him. It's awesome to see how God works and moves through people. This is evident in my life when I look back on where God has led me and the people he has brought into my life to help shape me into the man God continues to call me to be. Northwest and the people in it are an incredible blessing and I can only hope I can bless future students and athletes as much and I have been blessed.

Jeremy Paull



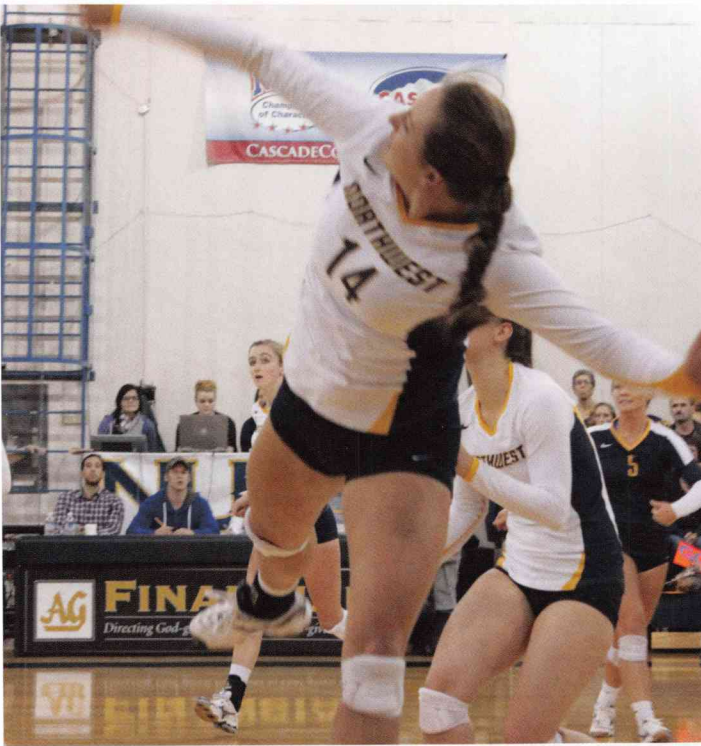
Bunbury, Australia





Volleyball

The volleyball team was able to spike their way through the 2012-2013 season! The team is full of great Godly women from all over the country, coming together to worship the Lord through the love of the sport. Having been on both sides of the spectrum, both winning and losing games, these women have worked incredibly hard to achieve the full physical ability to play the game with the talents God has given them. Practicing under the guidance of Head Coach Steve Bain and Assistant Coach Rachael Carbary, this team managed to snag over a dozen wins from August through November.



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TOP: Heather Shulke prepares to bump the ball while Olivia VanDiac analyzes the game.

MIDDLE LEFT: Molly Boyle focuses in to pray as the team gets ready for a game.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Preparing her teammate, Ashton Arbuthnot sets the ball.

BOTTOM LEFT: Breanna Covey readies to bump the ball.

BOTTOM RIGHT: The team excited to get the game started.

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TOP: Going deep, Heather Shulke bumps the ball.

MIDDLE LEFT: Rae Ann Hastings attacks with a powerful spike.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Heather Shulke trying her hardest to get the ball back over the net.

BOTTOM: A tip by Ashton Arbuthnot sends the ball over the net and past the opposing team.

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TOP: The team groups up prior to the beginning of the soccer game.

MIDDLE: Lindsey Field fights off a horde of Vikings for possession.

BOTTOM: Goalie Ivy Davison waits in anticipation as her team plays downfield.

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TOP LEFT: Winding up for a PK, Jessica Oliver gives full force.

TOP RIGHT: Shea Samuelson works the ball past two defenders.

BOTTOM LEFT: Stephanie Cummins and Annie Stauffer look on before the start of play.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Jordyn Wilson Chases after a ball on the NU pitch.



Ephesians 4:4-6

There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called—one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.



Women's Soccer

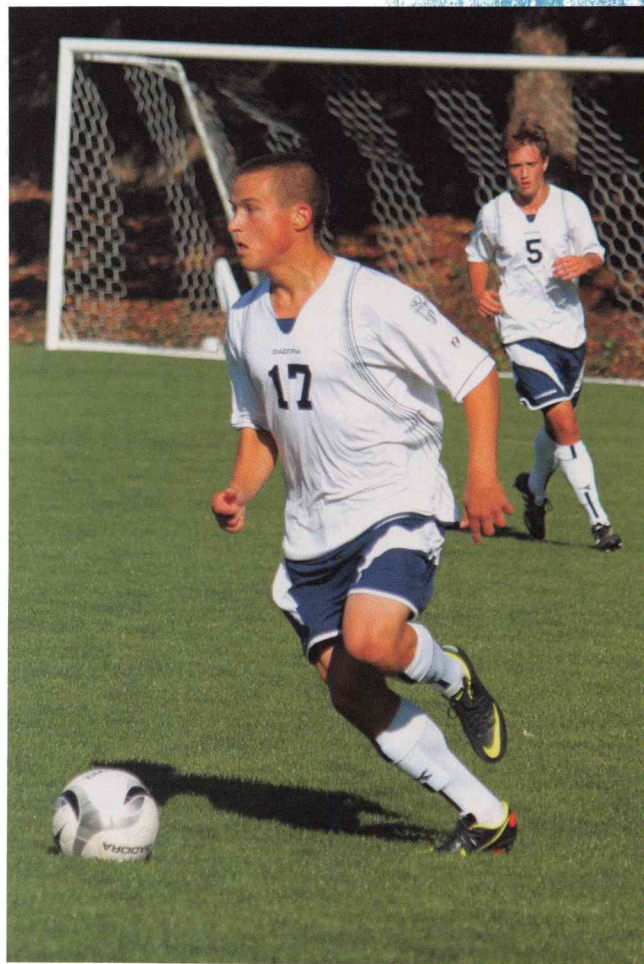


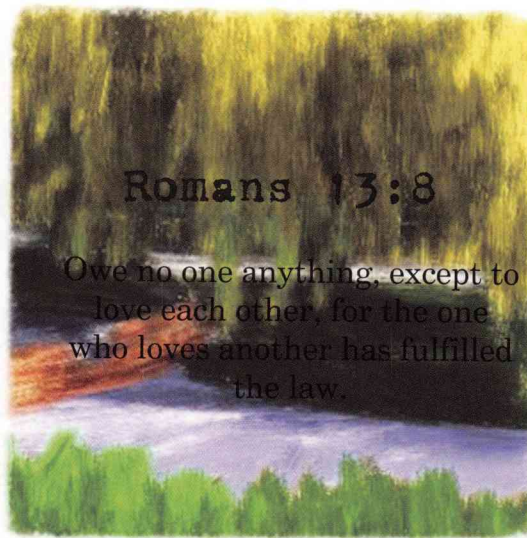
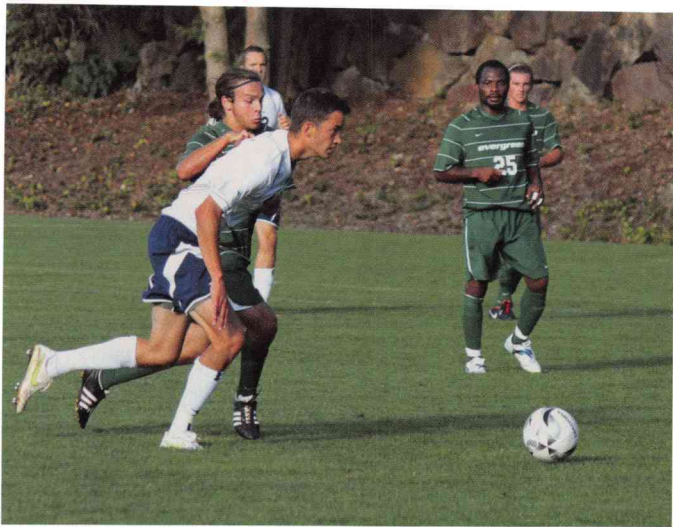
A culture of winning is being fostered in the Women's Soccer program of Northwest. Under the guidance of head coach Erin Redwine, the Eagles won 9 straight securing their spot in the Championship. Each year has shown marked improvement with this group of young ladies and look to continue their stretch in the future as it continues to look brighter.



Men's Soccer

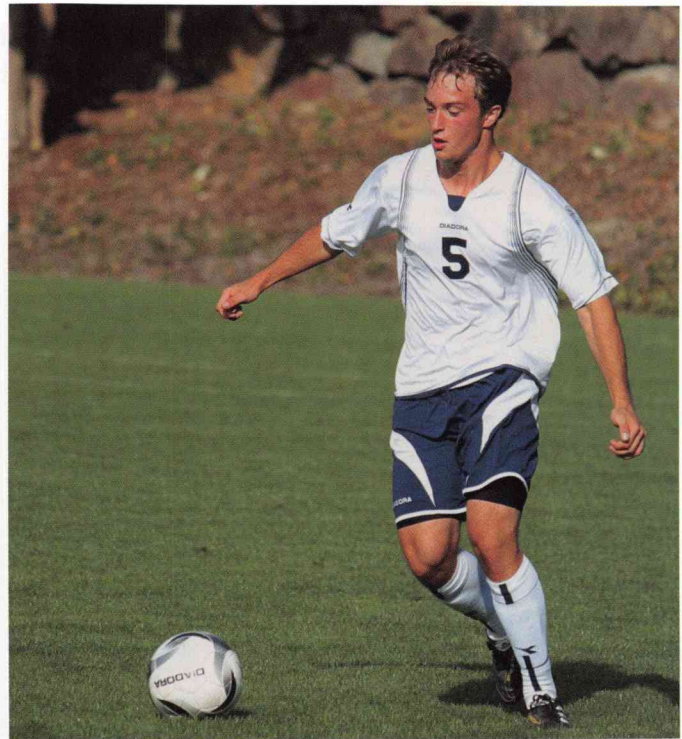
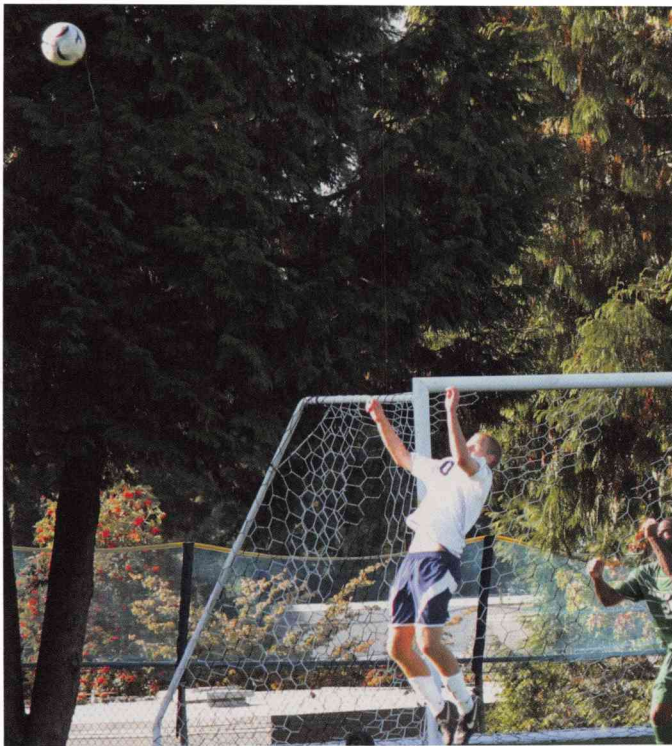
Write history and inspire the future. Words of antiquity made real by Coach Gary McIntosh: the theme of this years 2012 Men's Soccer season. In a season capped off by a playoff appearance, the team made the university and their coach proud by competing relentlessly, marking Coach McIntosh's 10th year in coaching and the 4th playoff appearance in the the recent 5 years.





Romans 13:8

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.



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TOP: Setting his team up, James Kerr throws the ball back into play.

MIDDLE LEFT: After recovering the ball, Ryan Gamache dictates the next move of the game.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Daniel Bechtel makes a play on the ball with Ryan Gamache covering.

BOTTOM: Joe Galbraith begins to kick the ball back into the field.

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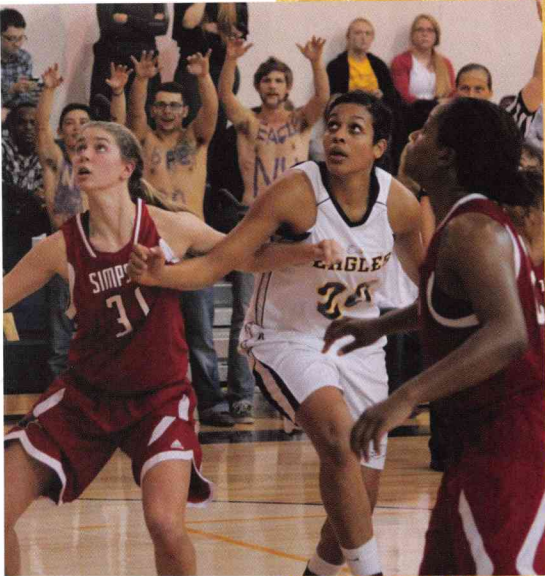
TOP: Timothy Filion dodges a fierce opponent.

MIDDLE LEFT: Going in for a header, Taylor Young leaps as high as he can.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Hunter Madich brings the ball up field.

BOTTOM: Trevor Moll patiently waits to jump into action.

Women's Basketball



"Win or lose I have a great group of young ladies," coach Lori Napier said after the Lady Eagles first win of the season to Pacific Lutheran University. Having a tough season with a young team, the ladies kept their heads up. Several of their games were only a few points away from the win. With only two seniors on the team and several transfers and freshmen, the ladies strove to learn how to play with one another. Finishing off the season with two wins, the Lady Eagles have a lot to look forward to next year with a more seasoned team and the anticipation of a new coach, as this was Napier's last year coaching at NU.



TOP : Senior Chanara Greene moves in front of her opponent to catch the rebound on the free throw shot.

MIDDLE : Alyssa Dario pushes her way into the key in preparation for a lay up.

BOTTOM : Sanda Milovic, one of NU's highest scorers by consistently collecting double digit points, blocks out Simpson University to catch the ball on the rebound.



TOP LEFT: Olivia Vandlac goes up for the shot just outside the three point line.

TOP MIDDLE: Domi Mendoza drives down the court.

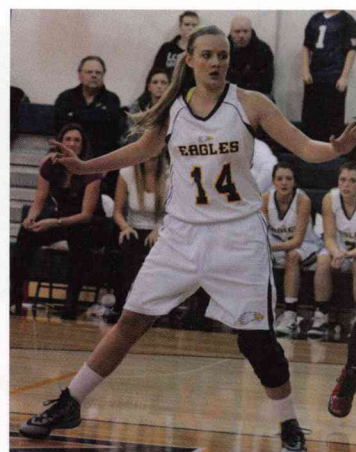
TOP RIGHT: Jenna Lewis plays some tough defense against the Red Hawks.

MIDDLE LEFT: Chanara Greene puts the ball just out of the reach of her opponent.

MIDDLE MIDDLE: Jordan Asher cheers on her teammates while getting a drink of water.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Corinne Burke protects the ball before passing off to another player.

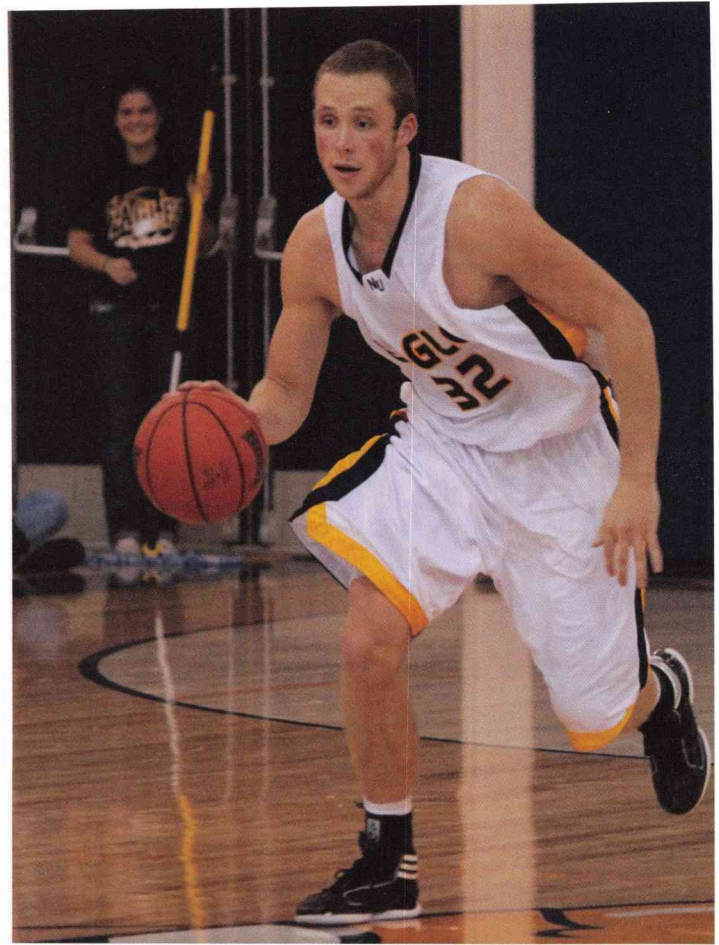
BOTTOM: Domi Mendoza moves her way around the court.



Hebrews 13:16

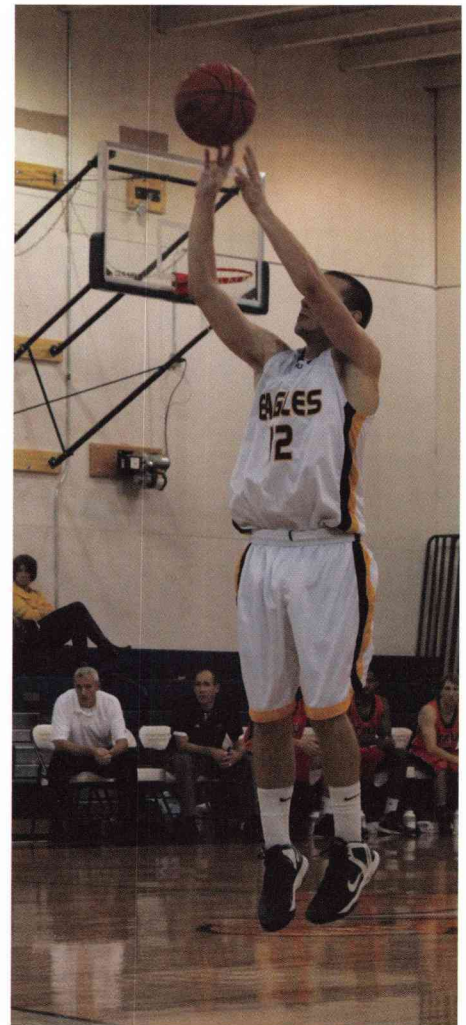
"And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need. These are the sacrifices that please God."

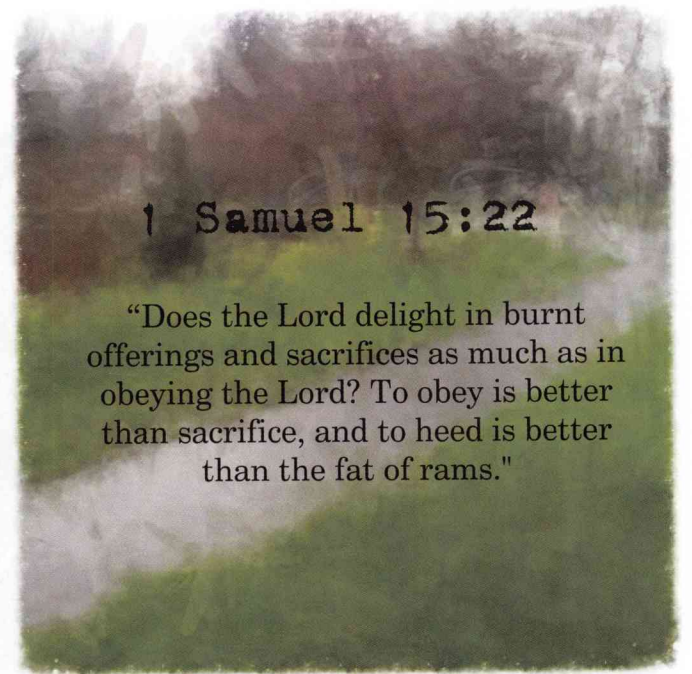
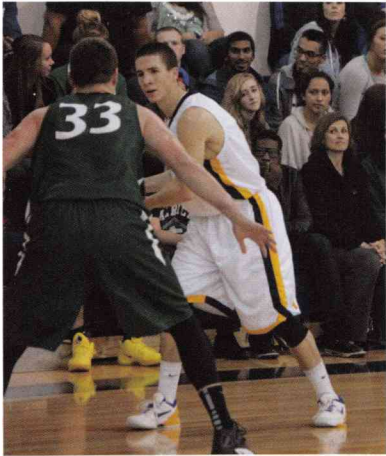
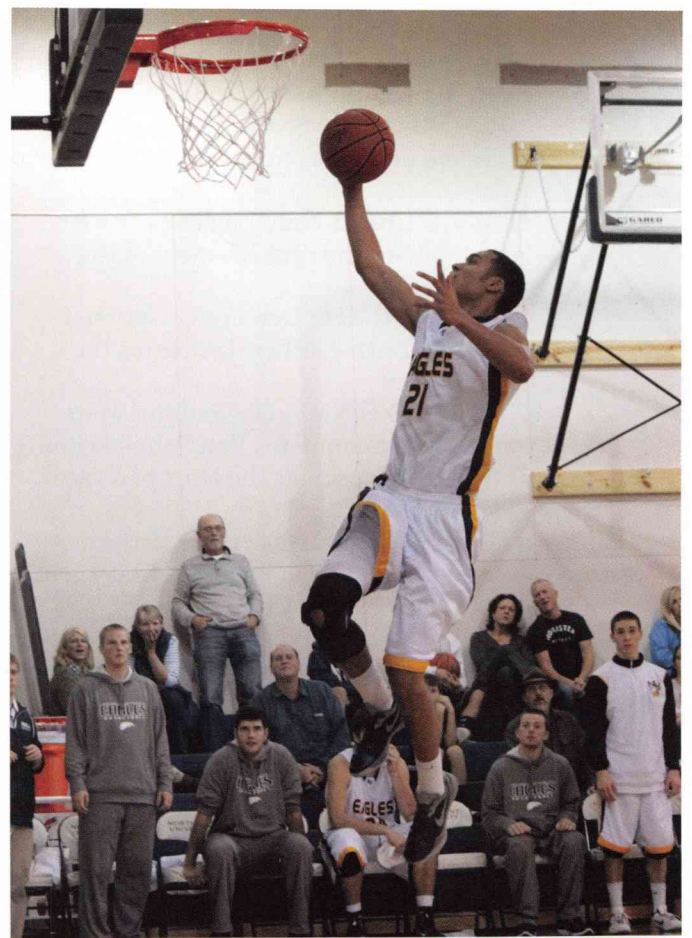
TOP LEFT: Jeremy Paul searches for a teammate to pass to.
TOP RIGHT: Michael Greene Dribbles down the court.
BOTTOM: Brett Skogstad shoots a perfect free throw.



Men's Basketball

The Men's Basketball team has had a very successful year as they made it to Nationals for their third consecutive year. This success has come with some slight growing pains though as the team lost many of the seniors from last year and has been trying to find their new identity with new members of the team. This has allowed the men to connect and grow closer as the season has progressed. "We are a very close team. We have each other's backs and no one gets left behind," said Seth Dodge. The team makes sure that they pray together before and after every game and even though many of them are in different walks of life, they strive to support one another by talking about their faith and their struggles. Seth says that the coach is an inspiration to the team as he shows them how to be godly men through his actions and character. Community is very important to the team as they do their best to support the events around campus and they are grateful by the support they receive from their fellow students and professors at their games. They also make sure to grow the community on the team by spending time together and bonding. "This was a really good season, we had our rough patches but we accomplished our goal. We improved everyday and it was a fun ride," said Dodge.





1 Samuel 15:22

“Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams.”

TOP LEFT: Never taking their eyes off the ball, Michael Russo and Nemanja Grujicic assist on defense.

TOP RIGHT: Free of obstacles, Ryan McIntosh goes for a layup.

MIDDLE LEFT: Taylor Cliett looks for an opening to get around his opponent.

MIDDLE MIDDLE: Quick on his feet, Cody Shackett evades the other teams' defense.

BOTTOM: A team player, Ryan Dornik passes the ball to another team member.

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TOP: Huddling for warmth in the snow, Coach Mandi and Indoor National participants Emily Sears, Jonathan Ferguson, and Meagan Governor take a trip to Lake Erie.

MIDDLE LEFT: Lady Eagles pray with Corban before the first XC meet of the season.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Defending National runner-up Luke Fischer dominates the Javelin throw.

BOTTOM: XC National Qualifier Matt Porter leads teammates Ben Schmalz and Jonathan Ferguson at the start of a race.

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TOP LEFT: Taking her mark, Ericka McDaniel gets ready to run the first leg of the 4x400m relay at UW.

TOP RIGHT: Freshman Jonathan Melton speeds past the competition in the 200m dash.

MIDDLE LEFT: High jumper Charnie Dondrea just barely clears the bar.

MIDDLE MIDDLE: The distance team enjoys an early morning run in the fog.

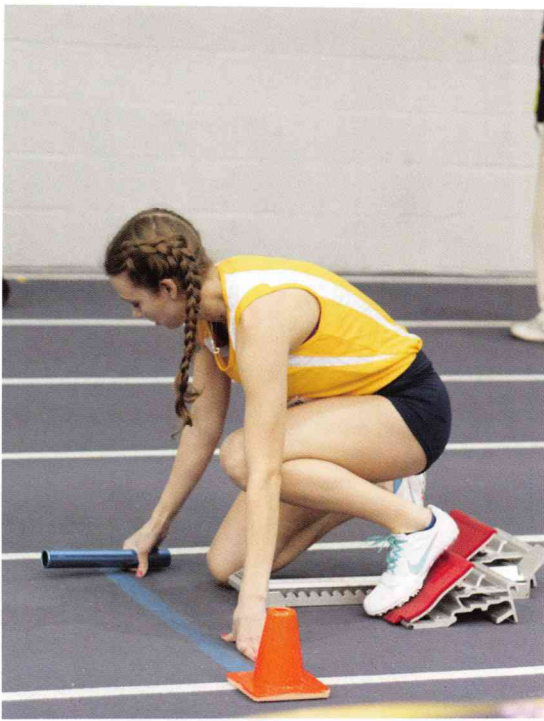
MIDDLE RIGHT: The lady XC runners interrupt their warm-up to take a mystical photo shoot.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Ben Schmalz, Jonathan Ferguson, Luke Fischer, Cameron Kartak, Matt Porter, and Ethan Flattery intimidate the competition, and they mean business!



Mark 12:33

"To love Him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."



Cross Country & Track

The XC/Track team has been one body this year, invested in each other both athletically and spiritually. Their number one goal is to glorify God and to steward His gifts well, and it has helped the team to grow, unite, and excel.



Softball

History was made this year as NU welcomed Women's Softball onto its list of sports. Made up of nearly all freshmen, this team brought new diversity to the school. The girls started training in the fall, forming bonds right away: the start of a legacy. The team is young, but its just the start of something great.

John 17:23

"I in them and You in Me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that You sent Me and have loved them even as You have loved Me."



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TOP LEFT: Kelli Peckham sends the ball to home plate with a powerful pitch.

TOP RIGHT: Brittany Bovard comes up to bat.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Jumping in the air, Lauren Robinson, Sarah Payne, and Holly Jean Entus celebrate a great catch.

BOTTOM LEFT: The team shows respect to the flag during the National Anthem.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Concentrating, Amanda Matthews watches carefully where the ball will be hit.

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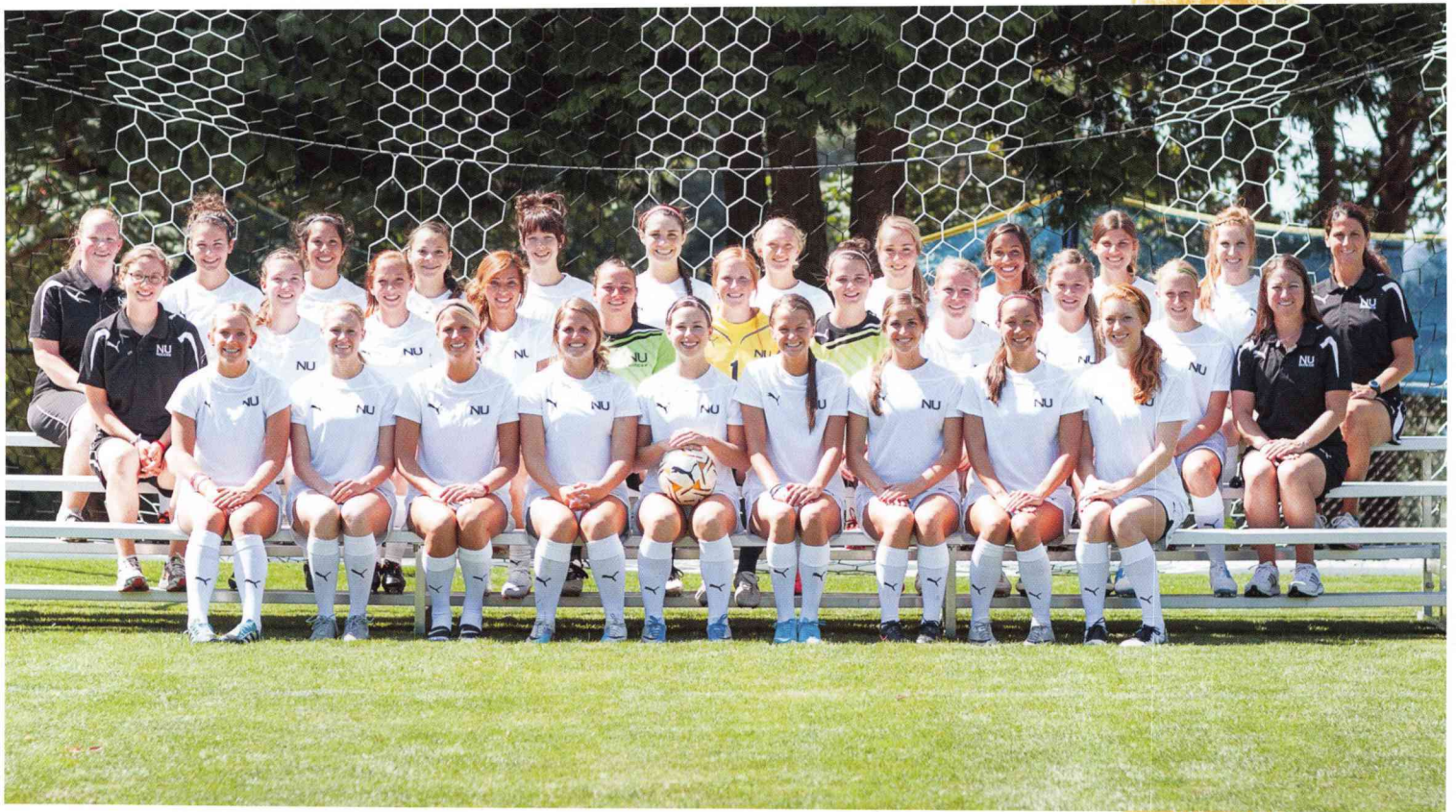
TOP RIGHT: Vanessa Ahrendt gives Coach Bacon a low five as she rounds third base after hitting the first home-run of the season.

MIDDLE LEFT: The girls are all smiles!

MIDDLE RIGHT: Lynzee Halcott successfully catches a strike.

BOTTOM: Keeping her eye on the ball, Amanda Matthews prepares to hit one out of the park.

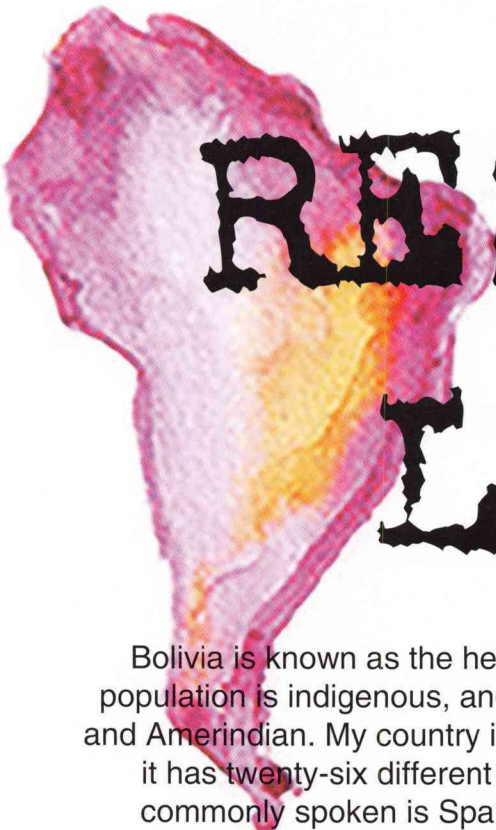
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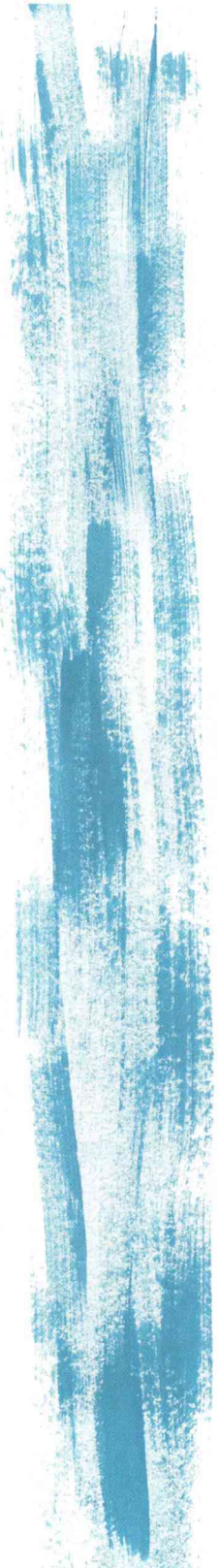








RESIDENCE LIFE



Bolivia is known as the heart of South America. Sixty percent of the population is indigenous, and the other forty percent is a mix of Spanish and Amerindian. My country is also known as a multicultural country since it has twenty-six different indigenous ethnic groups. The language commonly spoken is Spanish, accompanied by Quechua, Aimara, Guarani, and another twenty-three languages. Since South American culture is very expansive, one can find many differences compared to American culture. I have already had the most awkward moments of my life when meeting and greeting American people; I would unconsciously try to kiss them on the cheek. But seconds later, I realized that greeting could be invasive here.

What God has done in my life in the last eight months is priceless. I am having experiences that I will never forget. The day I knew that God was opening the doors for me to come to NU, I was scared because I didn't even know how to speak English. My plan was never to study in the US; my plan was never to be far away from home for so long. But one more time, God showed me that His plans are not my plans, and my ways are not His. His plans are perfect. So, God started preparing me in every single way to bring me here (Isaiah 55:8).

Northwest University has marked my life in such a powerful way, affirming in my heart what God predestined for my life. My expectations about life and my perspective on dreams are so much bigger compared with how they were before coming here. I come from a Christian family; my dad is a pastor, and I have the blessing of having the best family on Earth. I come from a family of dreamers, where God has always been the center of their lives. However, since I've been here, I have found Jesus like never before. At the beginning, things were a little rough for me, and some moments still are, but God has been by my side in every single step (Joshua 1:9).

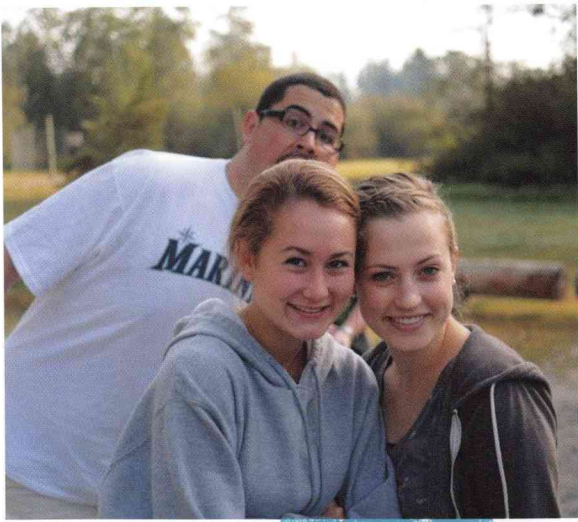
Every morning I feel so blessed to be able to attend this University. Going to chapel three days a week and seeing those big words on the wall, "Carrying The Call" reminds me all the time why I am alive and why I'm supposed to be. I want to go where nobody has gone before, and I want to do what nobody has done before (Isaiah 42).

Sofy Suarez



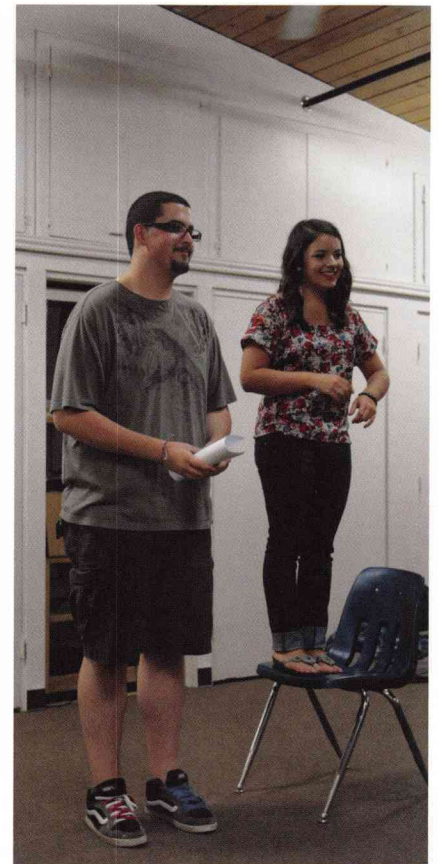
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Brumbies & Roos

This year, the Brumbies and the Roos were led by Josh Brown and Teri Hendrickson. They were both very thankful for the way their floors interacted with one another. "I think what makes 100 unique is the depth of relationship we have with one another. We genuinely care and pray for one another in every season of life," said Josh. Their hope was that they could help their residents grow spiritually and personally in a way that goes beyond the Northwest bubble and beyond their time at school. Their goal was to facilitate their residents to go out and be Christ's examples to the world, "I want the residents of 100 to be examples of Godly men and women and display how to act towards fellow brothers and sisters through the campus and greater area."





FACING PAGE:

TOP LEFT: Megan Clark and Madelyn Loewen with Josh Brown photo bombing in the back.

TOP RIGHT: The 100 girls floor poses for their floor picture.

BOTTOM LEFT: Brumbies and Roos pose for a group picture at their floor retreat.

BOTTOM RIGHT: RA's Josh Brown and Teri Hendrickson leading the masses at their floor retreat.

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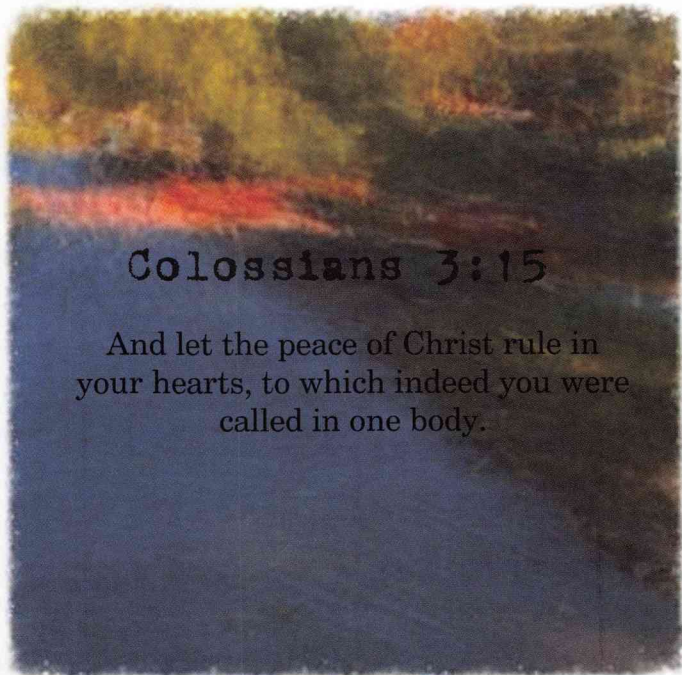
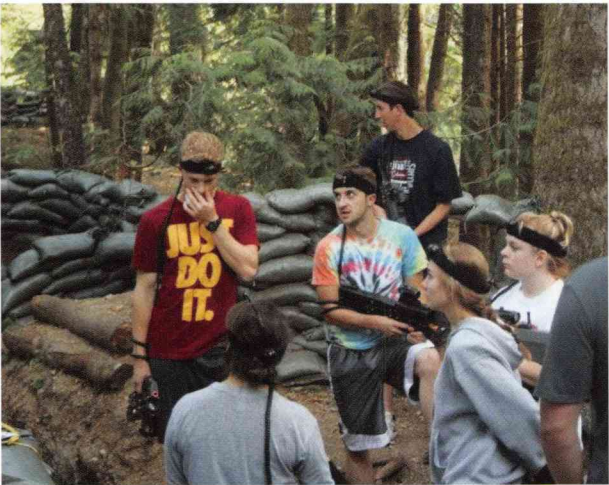
TOP LEFT: Brumbies and Roos get all dressed up at Roomies.

UPPER MIDDLE LEFT: Jesse Dinius takes aim during a game of Laser Tag.

LOWER MIDDLE LEFT: Micah Atwood and Dennis Dorgan strategize with their team on the best plan of attack.

MIDDLE RIGHT: The Brumbies pose in their floor shirts for their photo.

BOTTOM LEFT: The 100 floor gathers together for a family dinner.



Colossians 3:15

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body.



Matthew 5:9-10

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.



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TOP LEFT: Taylor Ann Richards supports her brother floor in the flag football game.

TOP RIGHT: Brielle Nicholas, Rachel Saleen, Addison Sanders, Kristian Rasch, Jordan Thompson, and Rachel Williamson bond over facials.

MIDDLE RIGHT: TJ Lukason runs for a touchdown during intramurals.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Kimberly Helin and David Kimball go to a pumpkin patch.

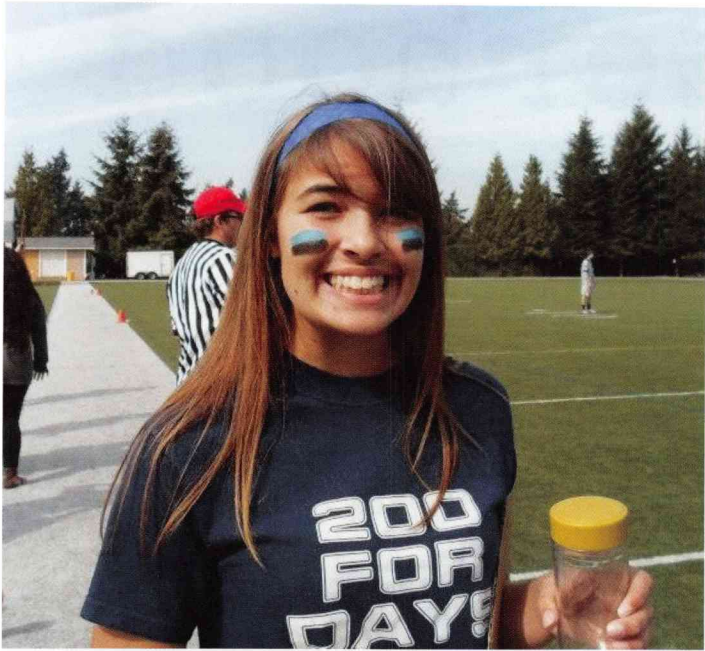
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TOP RIGHT: Beaty 200 boys pose for their floor photos.

MIDDLE LEFT: Kimberly Helin, Taylor Ann Richards, and Emily Potts cheer the boys on to victory.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Guy 200 girls show some of their Zoo spirit.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Perks 200 girls pose for their floor photo.



Zoo & The Keepers

When students enter college, they hope to come out with new friends and memories, but very few expect to get a second family too. Northwest University is an environment that harbors growth and spiritual development and the resident halls are the most effective area that this occurs. For the residents of 200, this is especially true. From family dinners, to fancy girls night out events, to intramural football, and even just late nights staying up talking, these students have built friendships that will last their whole lives. Many who live in the 200 community have felt incredibly blessed to be apart of this community as they encourage and uplift one another. Brielle stated that she is equally blessed by her floor, "I understood that as much as I will try to bless my floor more than they bless me, I am outnumbered 47 to 1."



300: Sisterhood



1 Corinthians 2:9

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him."



& Brotherhood



Under the guidance of RA's Luke Hicks, Brianna Wondra, and Kenzie Villarreal, the Sisterhood and Brotherhood of the 300 Floors continue upon their legacy as one of the oldest floors at Northwest. Comprised of a healthy mix of returning students and freshmen, the floors share a deep bond. Their floor retreat took place at Washington Cathedral in Renton where speakers Tyler and Krista Cronk spoke about unity and love.



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TOP LEFT: Guy 300 poses for their floor photo.

TOP RIGHT: Girls night out on the town.

MIDDLE LEFT: The floor that shaves together, stays together.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Perks 300 takes their floor photo.

BOTTOM: The whole floor makes an entrance at Floor Olympics.

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TOP: 300 kicks the school year off right with a trip down to the waterfront.

MIDDLE LEFT: Kevin Carpenter, Zach Wingfield, Nikilas Cuddeback, John Swayne, Nate Smith, Luke Hicks, and Austin Pribble at the waterfront.

MIDDLE RIGHT: The guys pose for their floor photo.

BOTTOM LEFT: In it to win it, Karesa Villarreal competes in Floor Olympics.

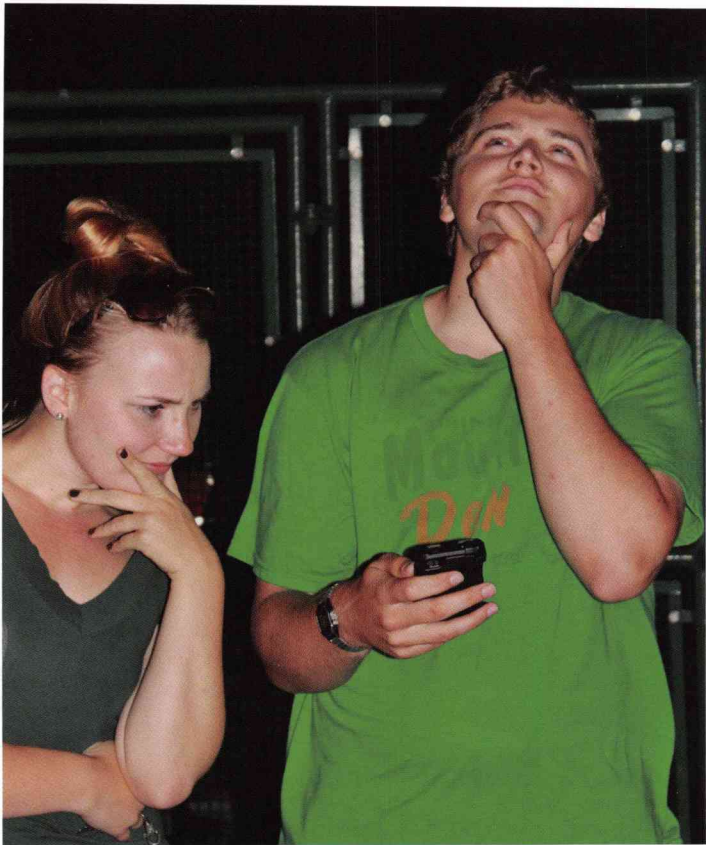
BOTTOM RIGHT: Nate Smith puts on his game face.





The Hornets & Honeybees

"God definitely knew what He was doing when He designed Crowder 400 this year. I have been blown away by how blessed I've been by my floor... They are absolutely nuts, so smart, crazy beautiful and they each have so much personality! Getting to live with these awesome women and be their RA was the best way I could've spent my last year at NU." 400 is a great floor to be on. It is small, but it is because of its size that every member of the floor is able to become so close and be a family, and its personality definitely makes up for its size! 400 is full of uplifting and encouraging men and women. These men and women are strong willed and will fight beside one another and for each other. Being a part of this floor is an experience that many of the Bees and Hornets will likely never forget.



FACING PAGE:

TOP: The Hornets and Honeybees are all smiles and silly faces at the floor retreat.

MIDDLE LEFT: The lovely Honeybees join together for their floor photo.

MIDDLE RIGHT: A close up of 400 floor, the Hornets with Horny sneaking in the picture as well.

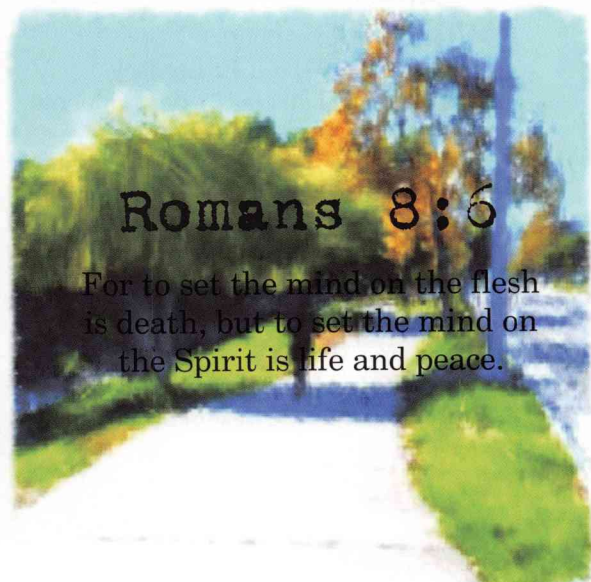
BOTTOM LEFT: Annaliese Herms, Emilee Larsen, and Abbie Kruse pose while covered in flour after an intense cardboard tank battle.

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TOP LEFT: RAs Calvin Horne and Rylie Sudduth in their thinking pose.

MIDDLE: Hannah Starr, Sarah Yazdi, Calvin Horne, Blake Hyodo and Bailey Shirley paint their fort at the 400 floor retreat.

BOTTOM: 400 floor gathers around a bonfire together in a time of worship and togetherness.



Romans 8:6

For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

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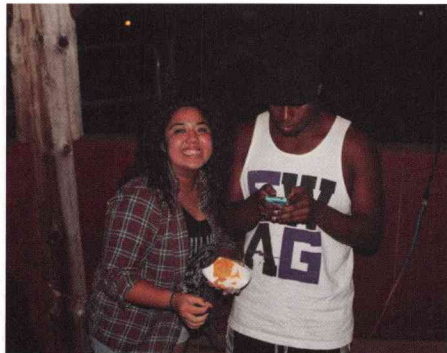
TOP: The entire floor assembles together on the bridge outside the chapel for a group shot.

MIDDLE: The Chicks and the Ducks pose together after a flag football game.

BOTTOM LEFT: Clint Cheves, Amy Strombeck, Blake Rasmussen, Mikayla Gordon, Charnie Dondrea, and Austin Carney show off their 500 swag.

BOTTOM MIDDLE: Mckinzie Quiocho and Christian Dawson hang out at their floor retreat.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Breanna Bonfield, Charnie Dondrea, Stephanie McIntyre, Addie Tom, Shelby Moyer, and Patricia Hughes bond over their snacks.



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TOP LEFT: 500 Chicks united in a sea of green and yellow.

UPPER MIDDLE: The Ducks, with their usual crazy attire, pose for their floor photo.

LOWER MIDDLE: Lindsey Watson, Michaela Gordon, Charnie Dondrea, Katie Horton, Amy Strombeck, and Elise Peterson show their support at the flag football game.

BOTTOM LEFT: RA Katie Horton and CB Charnie Dondrea show off their stuffed chicks.

Bottom Right: Leaders Josh Trospen and Blake Rasmussen reflect on how awesome their floor is.



1 Samuel 16:7

"Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

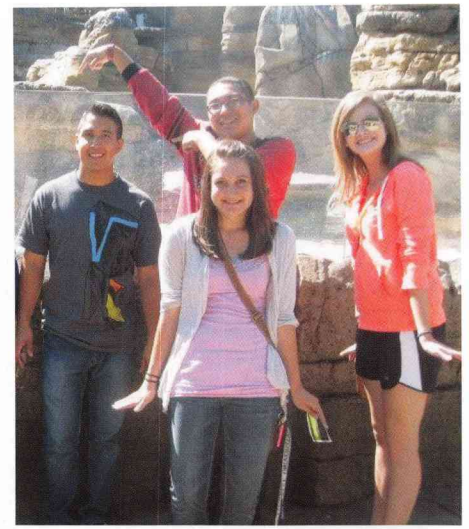
Chicks and

Ducks



500 is widely known on campus for its spirit, close bond between individuals, and the way the members of the floor, guys and girls, become a family. There are many different personalities on this floor that have come from different places around the world. It is because of our diversity that 500 is so tight-knit and becomes a unique floor. Katie Horton says that 500 is a floor that supports all of it's members throughout their time at Northwest. "500 overall is a great floor, that is big in spirit and active in God's plan."





600:1 Tribe

Ephesians 4:1-6 talks about unity and building a bond through the Spirit; our purpose this year was to bring the men and women of 600 together within the separate floors as well as both floors together as a community. We wanted to create a unity between the floors, to integrate the newer students into the community, and to change the history of 600. This was not just to build an interactive community, but a stronger spiritual community as brothers and sisters in Christ. Our events included the floor retreat at the beginning of the year, which was a huge success as it brought fun and positive feedback to the community to start the year off right. Swing dancing and the Christmas party, as well as our cross-floor events, kept things fun and exciting for everyone throughout the year and really helped build our community.

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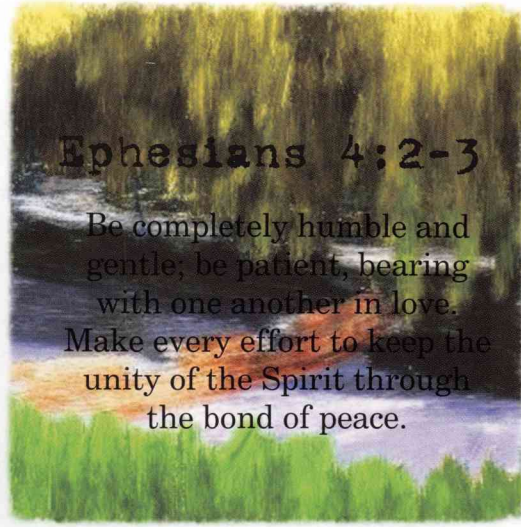
I hope this year's experience in the community was something of joy and something you'll remember, that it made a lasting impact on your life in both spiritual and personal maturation.

Kaysha:

I really hope you were able to experience God's presence, capture his heart, and get to a place where He was the center of everything you did this year. I also hope I've been able to make a positive impact on your lives in a way that left a lasting meaning that you will be a light for the Lord in everything you do in the years to follow.

From your RAs...





Ephesians 4:2-3

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.



FACING PAGE:

TOP LEFT: The men of 600 stand for floor photos.

TOP RIGHT: Ricky Torres, Henry Leal Tavera, Makinzi Bass, and Morgan Howell at the 600 retreat.

MIDDLE RIGHT: David Eisenrich, Sean Hart, Arami Kidane, and Nation Garza at the 600 floor retreat.

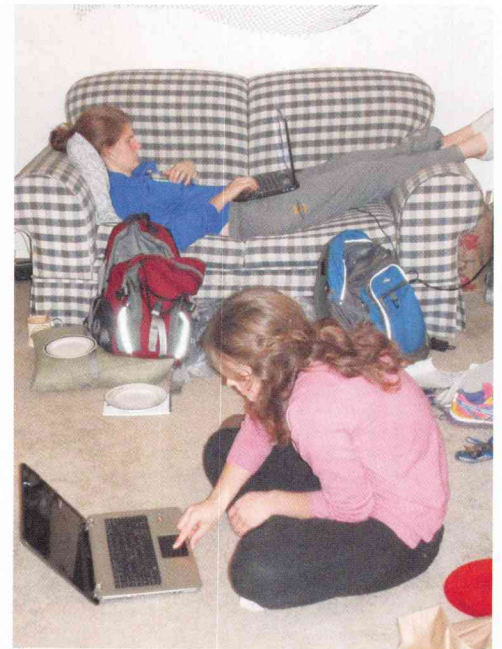
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TOP LEFT: Cayla Pook, Kaitlyn Bass, Kristina Lafferty, and Rachel Brewster at orientation.

MIDDLE: The 600 floor poses together at their retreat.

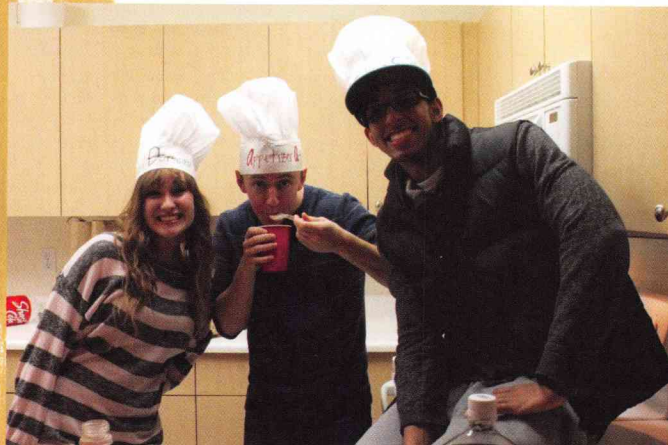
BOTTOM: The women of 600 are ready for their picture to be taken.





FOA

The FIRs, Off-Campus Commuters, and Student Apartments form our FOA community! They're not in the dorms, but that doesn't mean a thing - these students lead our community with a mature, Christian attitude in every day-to-day situation!



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TOP LEFT: Being precise as possible, Catherine Pasculli carves pumpkins at the FOA Halloween party.

TOP RIGHT: Janelle Ford perfecting her pumpkin.

MIDDLE: Off Campus Residents Lindsey Wagner and Joanna Sowers enjoy space to spread out in for homework.

BOTTOM LEFT: Winners of the Coke Kegger Cookout's main dish, dessert, and appetizer contest: Katie Mittelstaedt, Joseph Coburn, and Martese Hightower.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Jane Johnson and Paul Ungur playing water pong at the Halloween party..

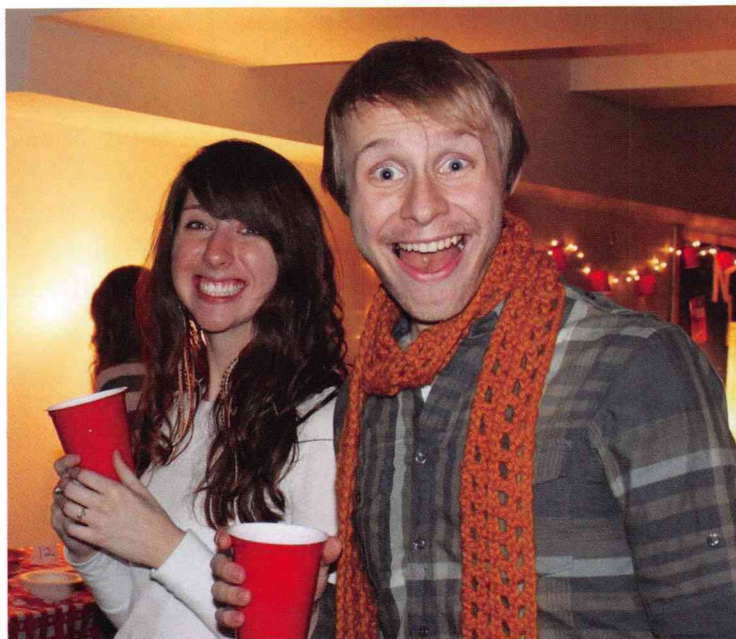
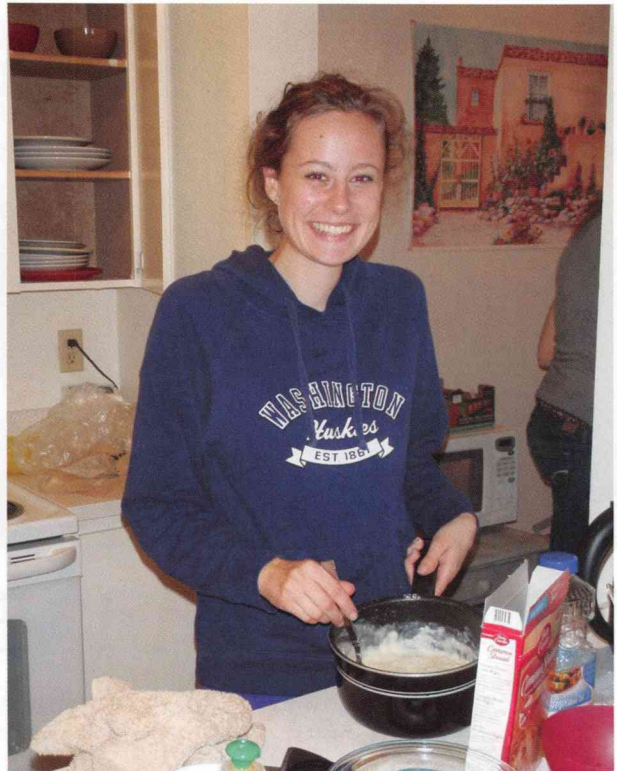
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TOP: AR Arlan Paloalto carves his first pumpkin, complete with a mustache.

MIDDLE LEFT: Joe Galbraith, Tiffany Hathaway, and Janelle Ford are fully immersed in their Jenga game.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Sigrid Thoresen is busy baking in her off campus kitchen.

BOTTOM: Tarryn Stockwell and Timothy Fenton socializing at the FOA Coke Kegger.



1 Corinthians 13:13

And now these three remain,
faith, hope, and love. But the
greatest of these is love.

Dedication:



Weldyn and Barbara Houser

The heart cry of Weldyn and Barb is to train workers to reach the world by bringing people to Christ and discipling them to multiply. They enjoy life, the Will of the Father, and ministry. Their vision of building vibrant cultural relationships inspires their lives every day. Called to ministry at an early age, Weldyn and Barb started serving in Alaska and Montana. Since then they have been to Indonesia, North Sumatra, Vietnam, Singapore, and all throughout the Asia Pacific teaching, pastoring, inspiring, and nurturing. "We want to help students hear what God is saying to them so they can find fulfillment in their call. We see ourselves as promoters of the potential in their lives" the couple explained.

The Housers came to NU in 2007, planning to only stay a year in order to teach students wanting to serve people from cultures other than their own. One year turned into five, in which time they helped develop the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Intercultural Studies. They have served faithfully and joyfully here, building genuine relationships and effective learning opportunities.

"What we hope to pass on to our students is a willingness to be transparent, vulnerable, and a participant with the people they will be ministering to," the couple said, looking to Jesus as their ultimate example. "He broke through barriers, He crossed over differing cultures, and we should do the same. This is the fervor we desire to ignite in all those with whom we can have an influence."

As the Housers plan to return to Asia Pacific, they will be missed here, but are continuing to follow their Passion and God's will. Thank you Weldyn and Barb for all that you have done for the students at Northwest!

In Loving Memory:

Those who met Puni couldn't forget his warm smile and his kind heart. A beloved employee for NU, Puni gladly served many years with the Security team keeping our campus safe. It was while he was on the job early the morning of June 22, 2012 that Puni passed away due to apparent heart failure.

First born of Finau Lagafuina Asi, he graduated from Marist Brothers Catholic School in American Samoa and enlisted in the United States Marine Core. Puni served in Vietnam for 2 tours, earning the Silver Star for his acts of valor as well as Bronze Star, the Navy Achievement Medal, and the Purple Heart. He found NU in the later years of his life where he was able to share his love of God, his love of life, and his love for people. His hobbies included bowling, billiards, writing sermons, penning poems, sharing the Word of his Lord, and waiting for the San Francisco Giants to win the World Series again (which they did in 2010).

Puni Mikaele Sr. is survived by his everliving God, his devoted wife Vallerie May Mikaele, his children Fa'aniniva, Peter, Puni Jr., Vincent, Fetalaiga, Alvin, Michael, his special little girl Kassandra, and many wonderful grandchildren, brothers, and sisters to whom he loved very much. He was put to rest at Mt. Tahoma National Cemetery (18600 SE 240th Street, Kent, WA 98024) with full military honors. Northwest dedicated the security office space in Crowder Lobby in his memory this spring. His family has also setup a memorial fund through Puni's granddaughter Kassandra Mikaele. You can go to any Wells Fargo Bank and mention that you would like to contribute to the "Puni Mikaele Donation Fund."

In the words of his family, in Puni's life, "he never met a stranger that he couldn't make a friend and never had a friend that he couldn't make family." Thank you Puni for your love, compassion, service, and genuine heart; we will see you again someday.

Puni "Gunny" Mikaele



FACING PAGE: The Hougers.
LEFT: The whole Security staff.
RIGHT: Puni in his dress blues.

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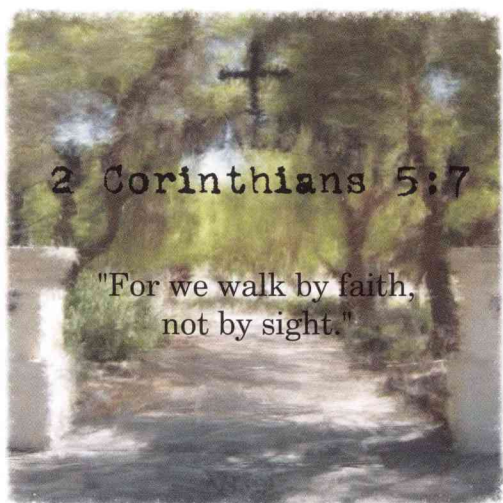


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According to Your unfailing love
According to Your unfailing love
Blot out my transgressions

Would You create in me a clean heart, oh God
Restore in me the joy of Your salvation

Wash me white as snow
And I will be made whole

The sacrifices of our God are a broken
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