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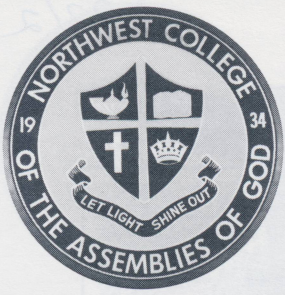
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



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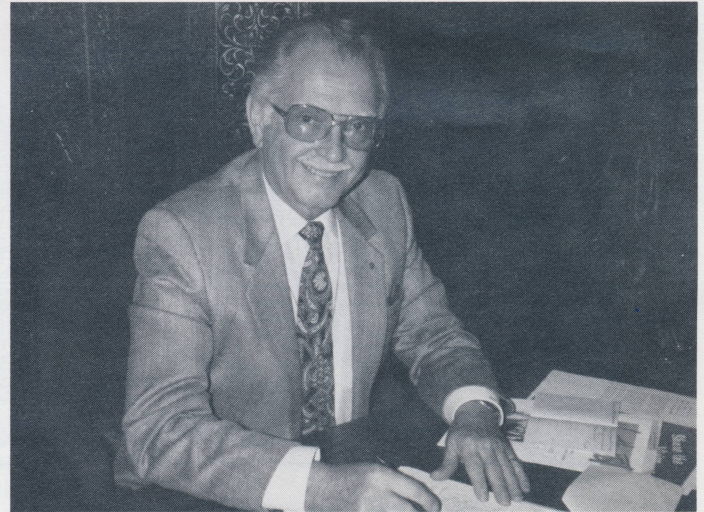
What Does it Take to Make a Special College? . . . One Such as Northwest College?

The College seal tells the story of the history, character, and purpose of Northwest College. It contains many elements:

Its legal name shows its time of founding and its living tie to the church which brought it into being, the Assemblies of God.

So often we just assume the answer to that question. The college is in existence. It seems it always has been and always will be. It's unthinkable that at one time it did not exist . . . that it could possibly cease to be.

But supposing one were to start a college like N.C. One has to think carefully because *N.C. is not just another college*. How would he answer that question? The answer? By asking more questions, like . . . Why? . . . With what? . . . For whom? . . . How? . . . And more!



Dr. D.V. Hurst
Northwest College President

First *It Takes...PURPOSE*

It takes a purpose . . . a mission . . . a reason for being to make a college. This answers the question "why?" Often the answer is characterized by a "burden" deeply felt by the founders . . . by a "call" by a response to a need.

This is right where N.C. is. Its founders saw the need, felt it, stated (preached) it and acted to meet it.

N.C. exists for Christ and His church. It exists to fulfill His command: "Go ye . . . make disciples!" And to do so within the mission of the church as conceived by the Assemblies of God . . . with its pentecostal distinctives.

Second *It Takes...FACULTY*

It takes a faculty that is trained and prepared — expert in their fields. Hence, it takes more than a degree, just any degree in any field, to make a college teacher. The faculty member must have at least a Master's degree in the field in which he/she teaches. And in each field of study (major) there should be — even in a small college — at least one who has a doctorate. Why? The college must accurately and deeply inform the student and provide a most challenging learning atmosphere.

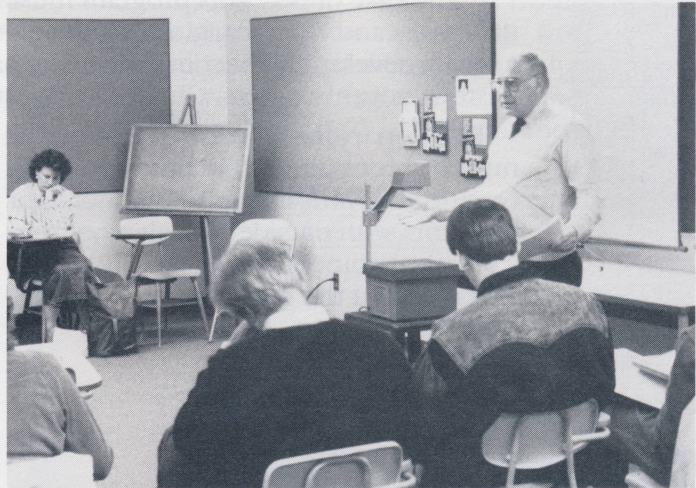
More than that, for a college such as N.C., the faculty must be committed to Christ, to His church and to the Assemblies of God. They must sense God has led them to minister as they are. They must be experienced.

Northwest College has such a faculty.

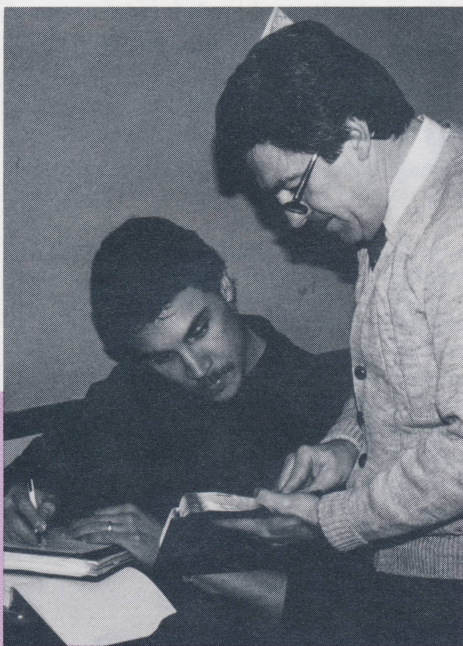
N.C.'s Faculty Has What It Takes...

All full time teachers (with one exception) have at least a Master's degree. (In the case of one exception he is well into his program.) Some have two M.A.'s. Over forty-eight percent of the full time teaching faculty have their doctorates or are well into doctoral programs. (One will graduate shortly with his second doctorate.) The average number of years of formal post-high school study for the faculty is eight years.

Almost sixty percent of the administrators have their doctorates, and the administrators possess an average of over seven and one half years of college studies, themselves.



Faculty members not only have an average of eight years of formal post-high school education but also have many years of experience in their field.



Our caring faculty sense God's call to placement at N.C.

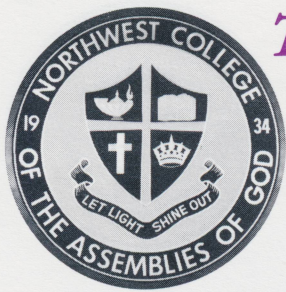
N.C. has a rich academic atmosphere!

But more than that, N.C.'s faculty is committed to Christ, called to serve the church, experienced, and involved in the church. All full time faculty are Assemblies of God. Many of them are ministers; the others have deep roots in the Assemblies of God. When it comes to faculty, N.C. has what it takes to make a college designed for Assemblies of God purposes.

Key questions to ask about the faculty of a college like N.C. are these:

- Do they feel a sense of divine call and placement?
- Are they concerned about spiritual things?
- Do they have experience in the life and culture of the Assemblies of God, in the ministry, and in their teaching beliefs?
- Are they orthodox in their beliefs?
- Are they involved currently in the work of the church?
- How well are they prepared academically to provide a rich and stimulating learning situation?
- Are they deeply committed to Christ, His church and the principles and distinctives of the Assemblies of God?
- Are they disciplers. . .reproducers?

It is the belief of the Administration of Northwest College that a resounding "yes!" can be given to each of these questions when it comes to the faculty of N.C.



Third It Takes...

CURRICULUM

The shield of faith on the seal with the cross at the center denotes the college's message to the world.

The lamp of learning denotes commitment to truth, to academic excellence.

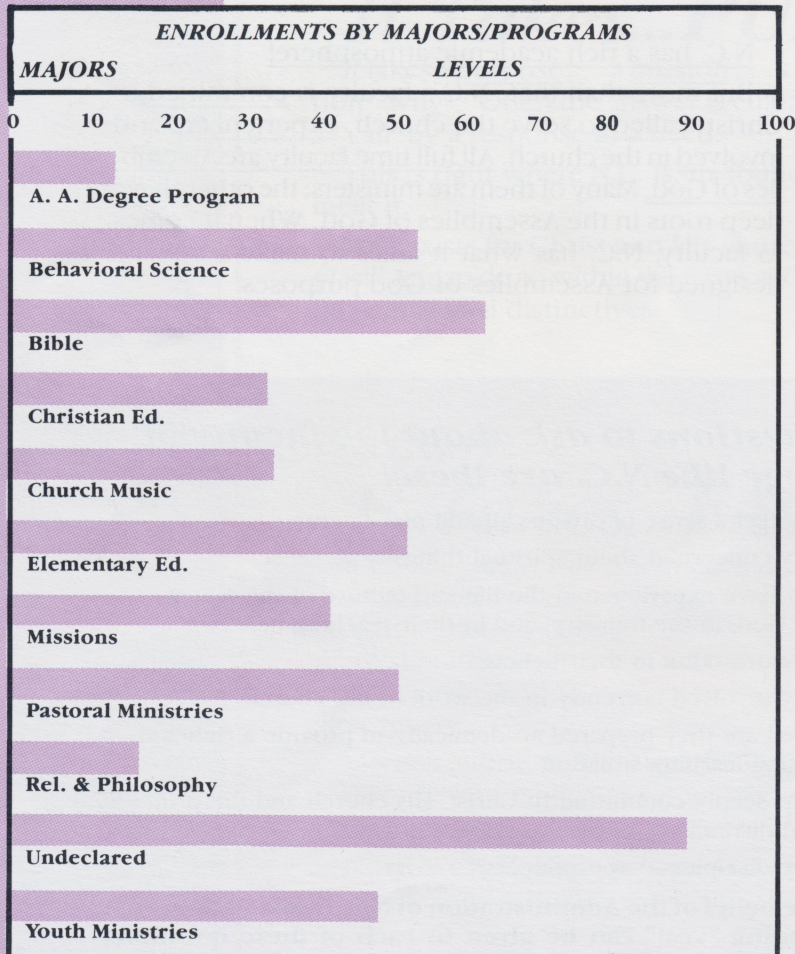
A college needs an excellent curriculum, a program of instruction. It takes courses, majors and minors. It takes requirements and electives.

In the case of N.C. this program must be especially designed in such a way as to provide the necessary and right learning and growth opportunities so that students will have opportunity to grow, develop and become what God has called them to be: preachers, missionaries, evangelists, pastors, youth workers, Christian educators, teachers and more.

The curriculum must be rich; and it must be redesigned from time to time to be current. The N.C. faculty and Board of Directors with outside consultation from a practical point of view regularly review and redesign the curriculum.



Curriculum is reviewed and redesigned regularly to be current.



N.C.'s Curriculum Has Been Enriched

It includes more emphases than ever. All four-year students regardless of major take thirty hours of Bible (the equivalent of a major). This is paramount to N.C. as a Bible College.

The varied academic programs now available at N.C. are designed to meet the need of just about any who desire Christian service. They include:

- A 4-year Bachelor of Arts Degree
- A 3-year Diploma
- A 2-year Associate of Arts Degree
- A 1-year Christian Studies Certificate

Nine majors are offered at N.C.:

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| Behavioral Science | Missions |
| Biblical Literature | Pastoral Ministries |
| Christian Education | Religion & Philosophy |
| Church Music | Youth Ministry |
| Elementary Education | |

Minors and Emphases Available Include:

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| General: | Ministerial: |
| Business | Biblical Languages |
| Behavioral Science | Biblical Literature |
| Communications | Christian Education |
| Education | Church Music |
| English & Literature | Communication & Preaching |
| History & Political Science | Missions |
| Modern Language | N.T. Greek |
| Music | Pastoral Care |
| Psychology | Pastoral Ministry |
| Science & Mathematics | Philosophy & Apologetics |
| | Youth Ministry |

Fourth It Takes...

STUDENTS

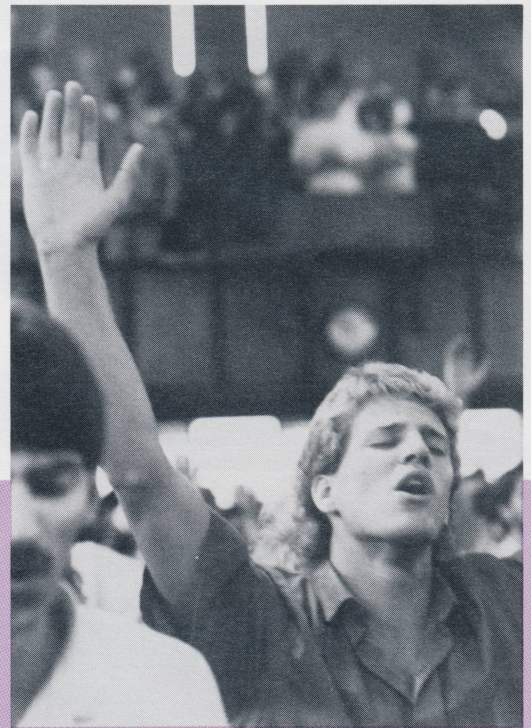


Residence Halls . . . home away from home.

What would a college be without students?! Everything exists for them. They are at the center of its reason for being!

N.C. has them . . . and can serve more. They come from across the Northwest, from many other states and from around the world. (When classes opened this year there were 576 of them, twenty-three of them from abroad.) They are bright, young and eager. More and more of them are mature, into their twenties and thirties . . . and committed to serve Christ.

One of the most inspiring things about N.C. is its student body, hundreds of students who love God and are eager to serve Him.



Steve Hoskins participating in a chapel worship service.

"I Like All Of It," Said One Student

After his first semester as an N.C. freshman this year, Steve Hoskins, who lives near campus, walked into the living room of his home and quietly announced: "I like all of it" and headed for his room.

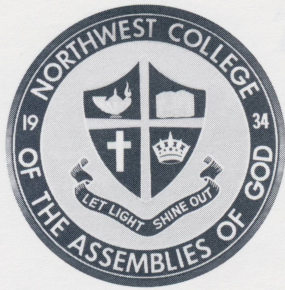
His father said, "What do you mean?"

He repeated, "I like all of it . . . the social life, the spiritual life, the academic life. . . all of it!"

With satisfaction his father, an alumnus of N.C. and a member of the Board of Directors who long has demonstrated his concern for N.C. through his personal support, let it be with no further inquiry.

Years before, Steve's father and mother had decided they wanted the influence of N.C. for their children. They purchased a lot, less than one block from campus, and built their residence. Now the father and son . . . and daughter, too . . . pray together in the college chapel at six in the morning. The father was first to do this. The President recalls when the father first asked if the chapel could be open at that time.

The experience of this family shows what it takes to draw full advantage of the opportunity available at N.C. It takes student commitment and involvement in what the college offers. "Invest your support and yourself and you can expect to reap," is the message.



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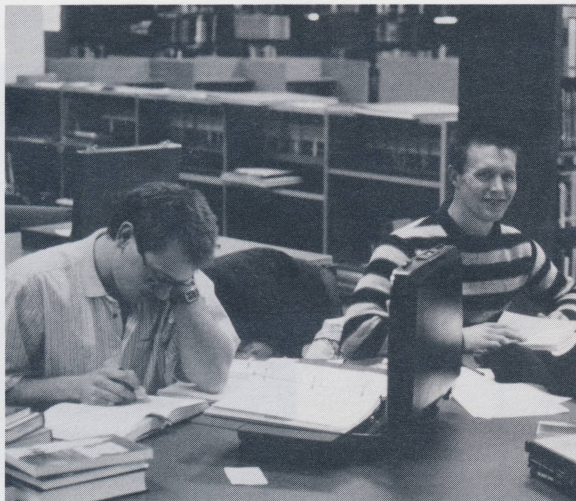
It Takes...

FACILITIES and RESOURCES

The open Bible on the College seal denotes the source of truth and the foundation on which the total curriculum of N.C. is built.

The small cross and crown have always been in the seal and denote the temporal response required of all believers and the eternal reward awaiting them.

The efficient functioning of a college requires a campus . . . facilities . . . equipment . . . library resources. And N.C. has a fifty-five acre campus strategically located in the beautiful Pacific Northwest. Some say it's one of the nicest campuses for a college its size anywhere. Those who know its history recognize it is the provision of God. If any could be called a "miracle" campus, it could.



Excellent study resources are available in D.V. Hurst Library.

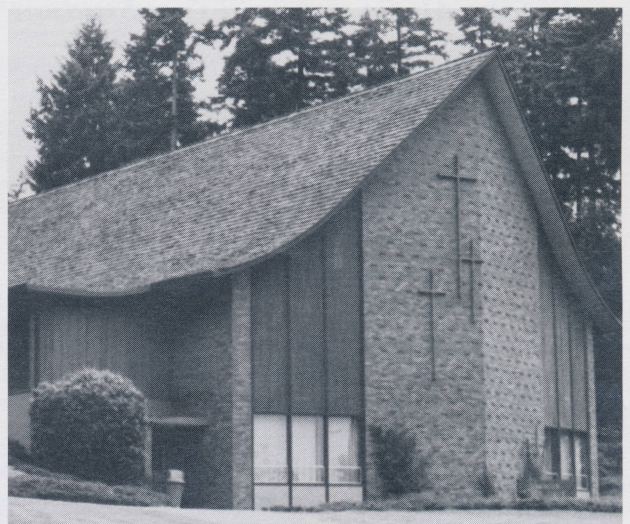


McLaughlin and Carlson apartments, "The Firs," provide N.C.'s married student housing.

The chapel, library (with 73,000 catalogued items), classrooms, offices, residence halls, food service buildings and other facilities have all been designed and developed for Northwest College. The campus is "like a park," some say, "spacious...just what is needed for a college like N.C." One distinguished educator called it a "gem." Again, let it be said, "it is a result of divine provision!"



The new computer lab will add training resources for preparing students in this advancing technology.



Beautiful Butterfield Chapel serves as a center for corporate worship, prayer and ministry of God's Word.

Sixth It Takes...ALUMNI

Alumni give evidence of what the college is all about! They are the products. Their lives and ministries say it better than words . . . better than stories. They are a continuing, growing part of the "whole" of the college.

Alumni really write the record of the college!

N.C. has them. Around the world. The sun never sets on their ministry. They are fulfilling the Alma Mater: "Let light shine out . . ." And in ever increasing numbers, over a hundred are being added per year.

Some have laid down their lives in the cause of Christ and served as shining examples of divine call and grace in ministry. They serve as church leaders, pastors, missionaries, teachers, evangelists, and Christian laymen, working in the church and professions.

Seventh It Takes...FRIENDS

A college, particularly a private college, needs friends. And N.C. has these, more and more churches and individuals who regularly and sacrificially support N.C. with their gifts.

They urge young people to attend. They pray for its ongoing work. They remember it in their wills. They draft trusts and help to build the endowment.

Some are "Centurions" giving at least \$1,000 per year. Others are in the Living Endowment Fellowship making a small but regular contribution. Others serve on the Funding and Endowment Board and seek to build the financial base of N.C. Still others, such as churches, contribute a percentage of their budget monthly. (Two percent in some cases.)

And support like this is what it takes to keep a college such as N.C. alive and well . . . fulfilling its mission under the blessing of God.

"I Said 'Yes' At N.C.... In the Library!"



Briefly Mike Langford told his story to N.C. students during this year's missionary convention.

He said: "I responded to an altar call while attending a summer camp at the age of eleven. God said, 'Serve me . . .' and I answered, 'I will.'

"At the age of thirteen, God spoke about Bible College and preparing . . . I said, 'I'll go . . .'"

"In January 1975, I returned to N.C. after an absence because of an auto accident (through which God again spoke to me.) Later God used a missions article to speak to me in the library, directly below the chapel pulpit. It was March of 1975. His voice captivated my thoughts. His call gripped my heart and I said an eternal 'yes' to Him."

Now Mike and Sharyl and their daughters, Sharla and Sarah, are on the way to the mission field.



Dr. David Kast,
Pastor
Spokane First
Assembly of God
Spokane, WA

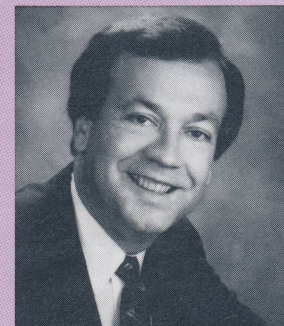
The Northwest District is fortunate to have one of the finest Bible Colleges in the nation. "Every member of my pastoral staff is a graduate of Northwest College. . . the college has a respected name — a reputation for a strong commitment to the scriptures — an involvement where the student matures in God — is equipped with all the pulses of a spirit-filled life and a compassionate heart.

We will continue to support this fine college with our prayers and our finances and by sending our students."



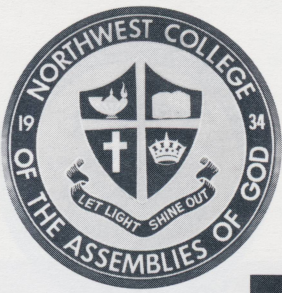
Paul Goodman,
Pastor
First Assembly of God
Helena, MT

"Training and preparing pastors, evangelists, missionaries and teachers is the responsibility of the church. This is why we at First Assembly support Northwest College with a monthly offering as well as by encouraging our youth to attend. If Godly leadership fails, the church is at the mercy of human instruments ill-prepared for spiritual service. We must not allow this to happen. The church must accept its responsibility to assure there will be God-called, spiritually equipped men and women in leadership."



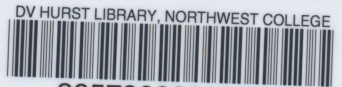
Arni Jacobsen,
Pastor
People's Church
Salem, OR

"The People's Church supports Northwest College on a regular monthly basis because we believe in the ongoing training of young men and women to prepare them for ministry. Northwest College has a great heritage of training young men and women for the service of the King."



Northwest College Has What It Takes . . .

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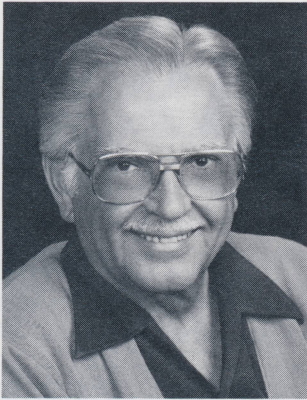
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- To provide a very Special College Experience
- To do its part in the Decade of Harvest

My heart beats hot these days.
I have heard the call of our church to harvest . . .

- To plant 5,000 new churches in America in the decade of the 90's
- To provide 20,000 workers
- To launch the greatest evangelism thrust it has yet provided

The Question rings in my ears: "Where will the workers be trained and prepared?"

The Answer comes back: "At Northwest College and all of our other Bibles Colleges!" N.C. is ready. . . now. It has the campus. There is room for students. It has the faculty, the curriculum, the heritage, the proven record of producing pastors, associates, missionaries, evangelists, teachers and other workers.

N.C. can produce 2,000 graduates in the decade and do its share.

But my heart beats hot for the students. They need help . . . your help.

There must be more students. . . many more! More young people need to hear the call, respond, commit and prepare. Pastors need to challenge young people to ministry like they never have before. There is one thing for young people to think about before anything else: "Can God use me? Does He want to?"

But my heart beats hot for the young people, themselves. They need help! Much more help! Your help!

Too many have to borrow too much to make their way through once they have committed to prepare.

It's time for the church to rise up and see the preparation of ministers at home as the starting point. This is missions. This is church planting. This is evangelism.

Our church needs to double. . . triple. . . quadruple its support of the training of prospective ministers at home. . . and now.

This is the only way the goals of the Decade of Harvest will be reached!

I'm appealing to all the Friends of N.C., the alumni, the churches of the Northwest:

- To challenge young people. . . and others, too, to respond to the call to ministry
- To increase your support dramatically
- To help students
- To work with our church as we seek to fulfill the goals of the Decade of Harvest.

For Him!

D.V. Hurst, President

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The underlying crest in the form of a ribbon near the bottom of the College seal carries the opening words of the college Alma Mater, "Let Light Shine Out..." and denotes the historical purpose of the college being fulfilled by its graduates who carry the Gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth.