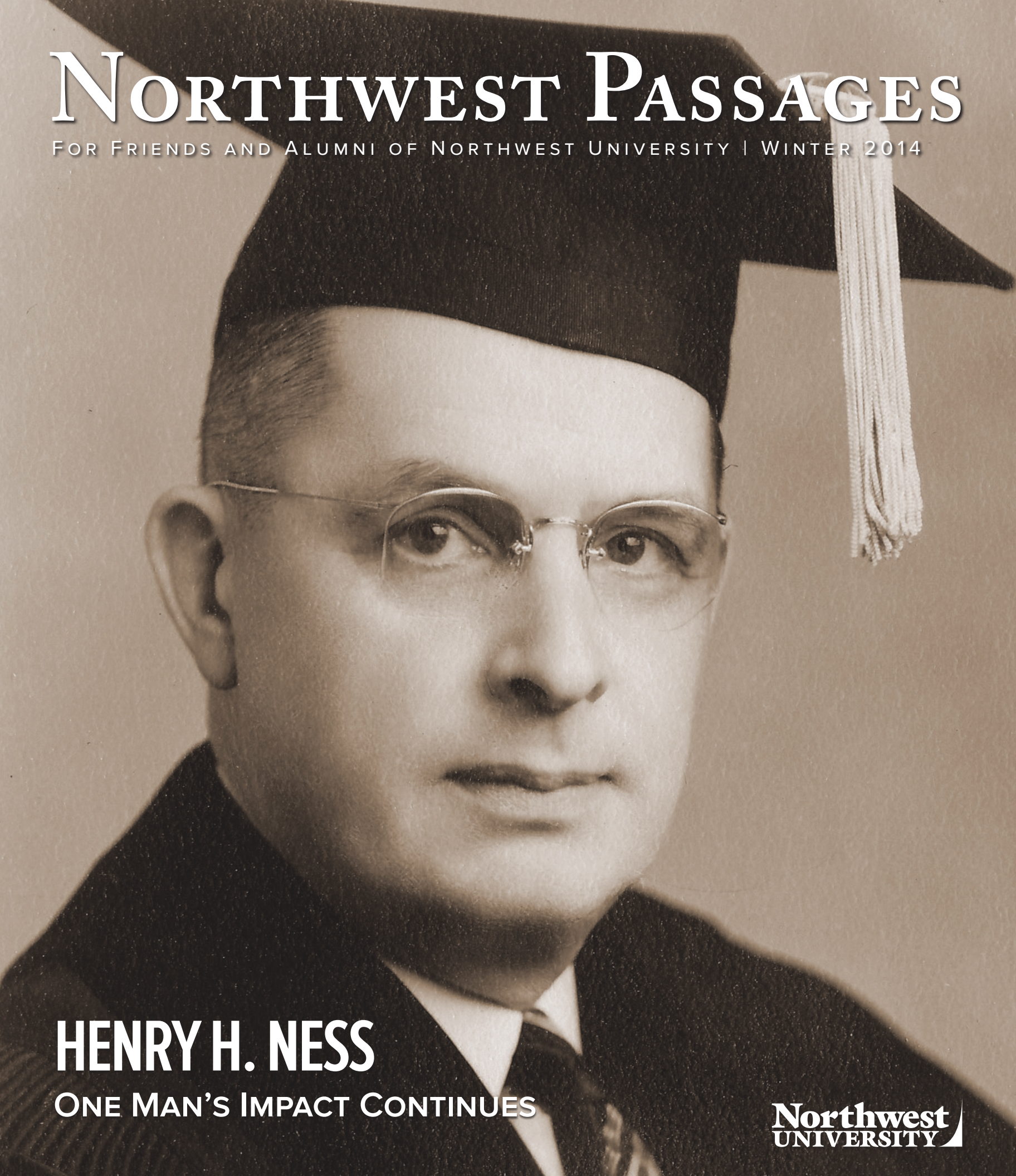


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HENRY H. NESS

ONE MAN'S IMPACT CONTINUES

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From the President

Dr. Joseph L. Castleberry, Ed.D.

Recently, in a chapel session called “Ask the President,” the members of the President’s Cabinet got a written question from a student asking why there is so much pressure to get married at Northwest—why the tradition of getting “a ring by spring” remains so strong. Dr. Jim Heugel fielded that question, stating that “it doesn’t come from us!” In fact, the University *per se* does not put any pressure on students to get married, nor does it need to do so. Students come to us right at the beginning of a developmental stage characterized by the dilemma of “isolation vs. intimacy,” according to pioneering psychologist Erik Erikson. Young adults naturally ask questions about whom they are going to engage with—or get engaged to.

We changed our name from Northwest Bible College in 1962, but we’ll probably never get rid of the joke, “Northwest Bridal College.” Colleges around the world experience the same joke. Students will always get engaged to each other here, and that is as it should be. But engagement goes far beyond the topic of marriage. It includes personal friendships, church affiliations, workplace partnerships, professional associations, and ministry inclinations. As students define their callings, along with the interests and talents and acquired knowledge and skills that make service to others possible, they also come to a set of commitments that prove durable over the years.

Empowered engagement at Northwest University means cultivating a Spirit-filled life, adding the power of keen knowledge and skills, and going to work in a world of bottomless human need. God has built humanity in such a way as to leave each of us insufficient to make our own way. On one hand, our unique personalities and abilities certainly make a way for us, giving us something to offer others as they pursue their way. On the other hand, we all have gaping deficiencies, leaving us in need of the others’ help. The mission of God for humanity gets propelled forward as people serve one another, each one contributing what they can do in order to provide for what others cannot do, receiving in turn what they need from others.



Contributing to the flourishing of God’s supremely loved human race constitutes the active expression of human dignity. Our needs keep us humble; our service brings us honor. When we offer it all up to God as our daily act of praise and worship, it becomes a living sacrifice holy and acceptable to God (Romans 12:1). My personal prayer life regularly includes a simple prayer I wrote that contains every letter in the alphabet: “Jesus, lest bedazed I forget, make my whole existence the worship service you require.” When we live in a constant state of worship, we fulfill the great commandment to love God with all of our heart, soul, and mind (Matthew 22:37).

Along those lines, our engagement with human need in every aspect of our lives—in work, in community life, in the family, at church, and in personal growth—ensures that we will engage with the mission of God. This issue of Passages will focus on the way Northwest people are powerfully engaging with human need for the glory of God and the advancement of God’s mission. I know they will inspire you, just as they have encouraged us.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Castleberry". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Research shows that a student's first impressions of a university can have a significant impact on their educational experience. Orientation creates a celebratory atmosphere to welcome each new class into the community and to their new home. Along with the celebrations, orientation also serves an educational purpose, as it introduces new students to key elements of the NU student experience. They learn how to meet with an academic advisor, where to get their mail, about our community behavioral expectations, what clubs and groups are available for them to join, and most importantly, they start to develop lifelong friendships and learn that this is a place where they now belong.

The Fall 2014 Orientation connected each day's theme to a piece of the Northwest University mission statement. Thursday demonstrated NU's welcoming community through

groups of current students and employees unloading cars and moving new students' belongings into their rooms. Friday's theme was about our community of academic excellence, starting the day with a thought-provoking presentation by the Provost and offering the first session of the Identity and Vocation course. Saturday's schedule promoted how NU offers a community of empowered engagement through an activity fair and the popular Kirkland scavenger hunt. Sunday emphasized our community of spiritual vitality, providing encouragement for students to visit local churches and concluding the day with a community worship and candlelight service.

This fun, engaging weekend is intended to give students a small taste of the incredible experience that lies ahead for them, as they discover that NU is a place where they belong.

By Kim Stave, Dean of Student Development



NU students, faculty, and staff greet arriving parents and students.



President Castleberry helps another student move in.



Ready. Set. Let the new school year begin!



The Eagle mascot makes the rounds.



New students check in at the Donald H. Argue Health and Sciences Center.

SEE YOUR EAGLES SOAR

Even if you don't live near NU, there are many ways to stay connected with your alma mater. You can hear a rousing Choralons concert at a nearby church. You can catch your favorite Eagles team in action as they travel. Listen to the debate team make a convincing case. If you live nearby, you are cordially invited to any of our campus events—from athletics to plays to concerts. For a complete schedule of upcoming events, visit northwestu.edu/calendar/.



EAGLES SOCCER TEAMS SCORE CHAMPIONSHIP BERTHS

Photos by Al Kawashima

The Eagle soccer teams have had a year that should be a source of pride for all. Both the men's and women's teams had winning seasons, advancing to the Cascade Collegiate Conference (CCC) championship finals.

The women won eight matches in a row, including a victory over Warner Pacific College to win the CCC regular season championships and make it into the CCC championship finals. Their season also included seven team members being named CCC All-Conference players. Additionally, Val Seid, the team's head coach, was named Co-Coach of the Year, and the Eagle women were ranked in the top 25 nationally by the NAIA. The men finished their season with a record of 15-5, the best for a men's soccer team in NU history. Taylor Young was named the CCC's Offensive Player of the Year.

The CCC championship games were both held on NU's home field on November 15, with winners advancing to nationals. Even though the results weren't as planned (NU lost both games), they did not detract from each team's successful season—nor did the outcome darken the hearts of their NU supporters.

"I'm so proud of these teams," said NU Athletic Director Gary McIntosh. "Both teams had a phenomenal year and never gave up. They are truly champions of character."



For the most up-to-date schedules, news, and information for all of our athletic teams, visit nueagles.com.



PARTNERS IN PREPARATION

The Church Partnership Program



This year, Northwest University celebrates 80 years of preparing men and women to serve their world through the power and love of Christ. For nearly a quarter of its history, Northwest has provided a vibrant and effective series of nontraditional programs designed for those who desire to deepen and broaden their knowledge and skills, but cannot relocate to the Kirkland campus. The Church Partnership Program (CPP) is birthed out of NU's deep respect for the influence and power of the local church to effect change in local, regional, national, and worldwide capacities. Both the church and university are far more effective when coordinating their efforts as a team. Their distinct strengths are amplified in fulfilling Christ's mandate to be change-makers.

The programs provided by the CPP are uniquely designed with a balance of academic rigor, learning support, and personal flexibility. Northwest's curriculum courses are wrapped around the local ministry's practical opportunities. Students have the best of both worlds: NU's high-quality academic courses taught by our experienced faculty and the local church's outstanding ministry training led by their pastoral staff. In many cases, qualified instructors are selected from within the church to augment students' online courses and offer classroom instruction.

Currently, four academic programs are available to CPP sites: the one-year Certificate in Ministry Leadership, the two-year Associate in Ministry Leadership and the Associate in Arts, and the four-year Bachelor of Arts in Ministry Leadership.

Current Partner Programs:

- Bethany Christian Assembly in Everett, Wash.
- Canyon Creek Church in Everett, Wash.
- Cedar Park Church in Bothell, Wash.
- CRISTA Camps
- Dream Center – LA in Los Angeles, Cali.
- Eastridge Church in Issaquah, Wash.
- Life Center in Tacoma, Wash.
- Mountain View Christian Center in Burley, Idaho
- New Life Church in Renton, Wash.
- newlife in Silverdale, Wash.
- Peoples Church in Salem, Ore.

Interested individuals can contact the College of Adult and Professional Studies through our website: eagle.northwestu.edu/academics/church-partnership/ or by contacting Jim Jessup at 425-889-5276 or jim.jessup@northwestu.edu.



INTERNING WITH EXCELLENCE

One of the best ways for Northwest University to serve the business community is by providing them with high-caliber interns and candidates for full-time positions. The Northwest University Vocation and Occupation Center is a powerful

conduit that connects NU students with businesses that are seeking highly skilled interns and employees. Last year, over 70 percent of NU students were placed in internships. How did they do? We'll let a few business owners speak for us.

Elliott Neff **Chess4Life**

"It has been a pleasure to work with Levi Davenport and NU's intern program! NU has connected multiple interns to Chess4Life, and the care taken to find the right fit for our organization has led to highly successful internships, as well as some interns moving on to full-time roles with Chess4Life. I am impressed with the caliber of student interns that have come from NU."

Tim Mushen **Clocktower Media**

"NU interns have had a big impact on Clocktower Media. Their knowledge and skill have helped us launch a number of projects. We've hired on a number of interns, and they've continued to play key roles in Clocktower's success."

Katie Au **State Farm**

"State Farm is just a few blocks away from the Northwest University campus. I have had the opportunity to work with a number of interns and graduates, who all come from diverse backgrounds. This, coupled with their experience at Northwest University, brings new ideas, fresh energy, and a thirst to continue their professional growth."

Melissa Schindel **Olive Crest**

"Having Chelsey as an intern at Olive Crest was a wonderful experience. I so enjoyed being able to give back and invest in her, like others had done for me in my college years. She was also a huge help around the office, so much so that we hired her full time after she graduated! I would definitely do it again."

Robert Wuflestad **Highland Private Wealth**

"I want to thank you for coordinating an excellent internship experience for Highland Private Wealth!"

The value that was created for us was amazing. We had a bright, energetic, responsible employee who challenged us to be better as a firm. While our intern managed a few administrative projects that felt good to complete, it was the energy and the selfless attitude that impacted and impressed everyone.

Since his initial internship, we have progressively promoted him to a point where he has an exciting career path within the financial services industry, and Highland has a bright, talented employee who is delighting clients, vendors, and other team members.

The opportunity for businesses of any size to tap into the talent pool of NU is amazing! The students that I have met have been bright, trustworthy, and motivated. But as a leader, be prepared to bring your A-game; they will expect it of you as well."

If you'd like to discuss the possibility of an NU student interning at your business, call Levi Davenport at **425.889.5752** or email levi.davenport@northwestu.edu.

ALUMNI CHAPEL



Israel Talamantes (2014)



Dave Curry (1990)



Students Worshipping



Dustin Shirley (1990) - Alumni Director



Larisa Prisacari (Kotilevskaya, 2013)



President Castleberry and Trevor Millar (2006)

FINDING HIS FIT

Dave Curry, Alumnus of the Year

Our 2014 Alumnus of the Year, David Curry, explored a range of fields—from youth ministry to the corporate world—before finding one that fit his talents and interests. It’s a situation many students find themselves in before, during, and even after college, one that David certainly experienced as a ministry major at Northwest University.

“You’re trying to find a context where your God-given gifts best fit, and that was certainly me,” he explained during the award ceremony at the Alumni Chapel on October 10. Though he was uncertain about his future, David did feel called to pursue his education at NU.

“I sensed that God had a plan for me, but I didn’t know what it was,” he said. “I went into pastoral ministry, and as time went on, I’ve worked through finding my context, finding where exactly I fit—and that’s running nonprofit organizations.”

Today, David is the CEO of Open Doors, a nonprofit that supports Christians in countries where it is dangerous or illegal for them to express their faith. Open Doors’ origins date back to the mid-1950s, with a young Dutch man known as Brother Andrew smuggling Bibles into the Soviet Union. Faithful to its roots, the organization still supplies persecuted Christians with Bibles, literature, leadership training, and other resources.

David has been involved in many different types of ministry over the course of his career, including serving as CEO of The Rescue Mission, a homeless shelter and addiction recovery center in Tacoma. But for David, ministry—whether with a church, nonprofit, or in some other context—is always an adventure.

“Some of you, when you think of ministry, you just think ‘ho-hum,’” he told his audience at the Alumni Chapel. “I’m telling you what—God has an adventure for you. But you’re going to have to have a little courage to follow your calling.”





MILLAR'S MIRACLE

Trevor Millar, Young Alumnus of the Year

Last year, Trevor Millar found himself in a hospital, fighting for his life. A summer boating adventure had turned nightmarish when a jet-skiing rope wrapped around his neck, triggering severe internal trauma and a massive right-side stroke—the largest his doctors had ever seen someone survive. Trevor's medical team didn't think he would make it, but God had other plans.

Eleven years earlier, Trevor would never have imagined that he would have to recover from a life-threatening injury, learning to walk again, adjusting to the new normal of life after a stroke. An Alaska native, Trevor graduated from high school and decided to venture out from his small town to the Seattle area to study business at Northwest University.

"I chose Northwest because I was looking for a school that had a vibrant spiritual life," he said. "I wanted a school that had students that were eager to know and serve Jesus. That's how I found Northwest."

After graduating from NU in 2006, that desire for spiritual impact began to permeate his professional life as well. As Trevor established himself in the finance industry as a stockbroker, first on the East Coast and then back in Alaska, he found himself taking more and more time off of work to volunteer with Young Life.

Following his passion for investing in young people's lives, he transitioned to the organization full time as an area director in Alaska, a position that allowed him to draw from both his Christian education experience and his business degree.

It was June 8, 2013, when Trevor's life took a sharp turn. While jet skiing in Alaska with some students from Young Life, he suffered the neck injury that would result in his stroke. The trauma was so severe that two Alaskan hospitals were unable to stabilize him, and he was eventually flown to the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle.

As Trevor went into emergency surgery to relieve the swelling of his brain, his family and friends gathered in the hospital to pray for a miracle. From the moment of his injury, Trevor had the support of his friends from Northwest. Several stayed with him all night at the hospital. Others sent word back to the NU community to pray.

By all accounts, Trevor's chances of pulling through weren't good. He was in a coma, met two out of three criteria for being clinically dead, and the hospital was even preparing to donate his organs. If by some slim chance he survived, doctors said he would have severe brain damage and be completely unresponsive.

At one point, Trevor's doctors asked his family if they should continue to try to save him, if he would want to live in that kind of situation. Their answer: "Trevor loves relationships. If there's any chance for him to communicate with people, then he wants to live."

So doctors continued to fight for his life, and his family and friends continued to pray faithfully. "The doctors honestly did not think that I would live, let alone have any ability to communicate," Trevor explained. "But God intervened."

God intervened in a big way. Trevor defied his doctors' predictions, making a miraculous recovery. Dr. Charlotte Smith, a rehabilitation doctor at the UW Medical Center, told Alaska Dispatch News that his case was a "miracle" that "defies medical explanation." Not only that, but against all odds, Trevor is also fully able to communicate his remarkable story of faith, grace, and healing.

The audience at the annual Alumni Chapel on October 10 had the privilege of hearing that story in person. NU's Alumni Director, Dustin Shirley, interviewed this year's Alumni of the Year recipients prior to the conferral of awards, when Trevor was named the 2014 Young Alumnus of the Year.

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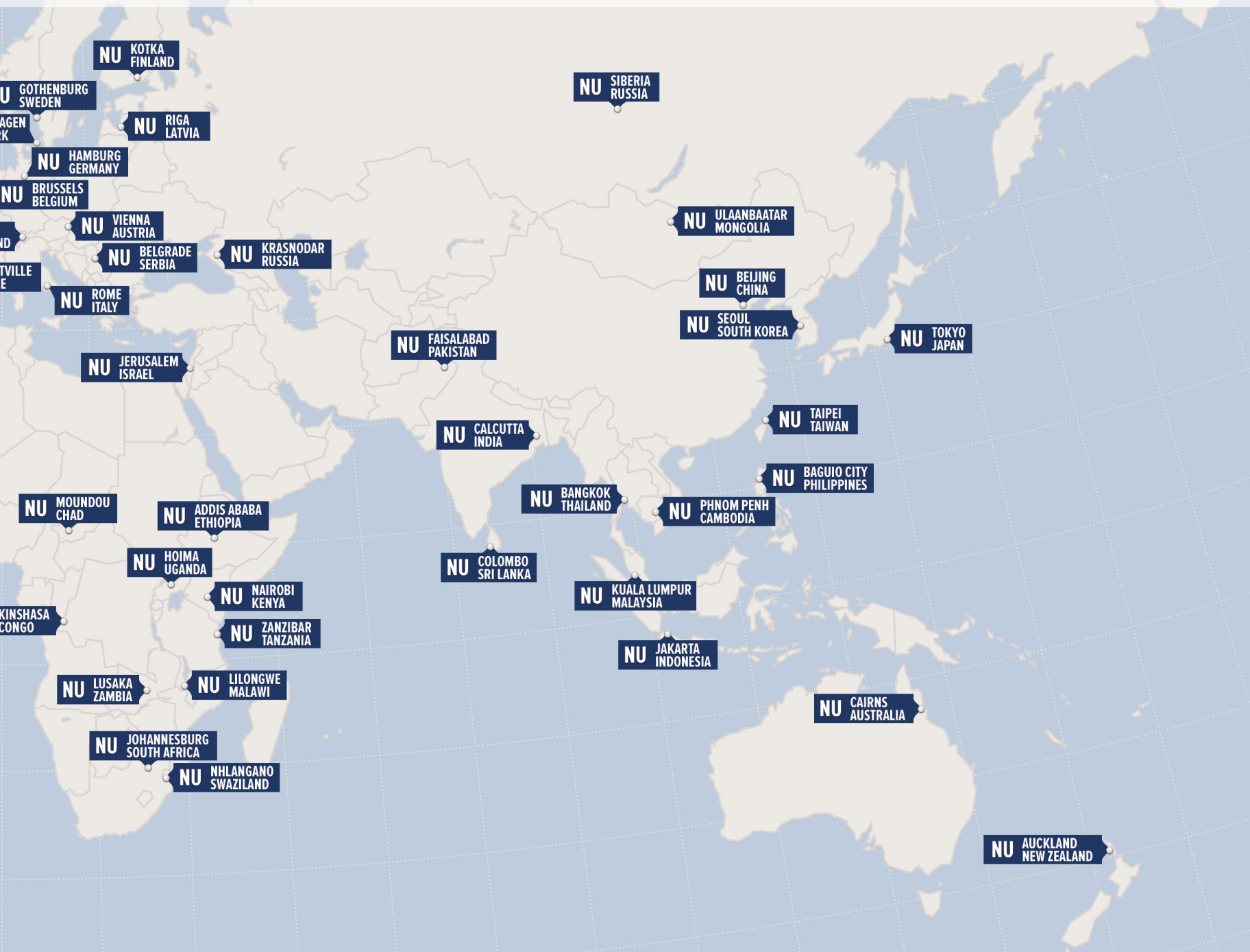
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NORTHWEST'S
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OF
THE WORLD
REACHING THE GLOBE

Since 1934, Northwest University has trained graduates to carry the call of Jesus Christ and shape the world in His image. Today, NU graduates are serving around the globe in places like Cambodia, Guatemala, and at Microsoft.

As you plan your year-end giving, we ask you to consider the Opportunity Fund. Your gift will help create much-needed scholarships for our students. Best of all, your investment will pay dividends for years to come as our graduates serve the world in a thousand different professions for His glory.



Please view a special video message from President Castleberry and our students at www.northwestu.edu/opportunity/.

Countries listed are a sample and not an exhaustive list of our alumni around the globe

NU ALUMNI

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

We can't possibly capture all of the great work that NU alumni are doing around the world to shape it into the image of Jesus. The stories below are a small sample of how our graduates are making a big difference.

Would you like to tell us your story? Go to our connect page at northwestu.edu/alumni/update/ to update your alumni information and tell us what you've been up to.



Eddie Carter (2011)

After graduating from NU with his M.A. in Social Entrepreneurship, Eddie started a soccer program in Cambodia. Working through SALT Academy, the program seeks to help girls from orphanages and survivors of human trafficking to build confidence and life skills through the game of soccer. One of the girls from the program is now attending NU and assists the women's soccer team.



Fiona Winoto (2010)

Fiona graduated with a master's degree from the International Community Development program and now works in Indonesia as an Education Specialist for World Vision. When Mount Sinabung erupted in North Sumatra, Fiona was called upon to be a member of the National Disaster Management team, bringing aid and comfort to the 28,000 people—many of them children—displaced by the eruption.



Jason Streubel (1996)

Jason is the Director of Agriculture at Convoy of Hope, where he equips impoverished farmers and families with the skills, tools, and seeds to produce life-sustaining crops. His team is teaching farmers in Haiti how to maximize growing conditions for optimal crop output. Each year, tens of thousands of meals are harvested, and income is generated for farmers and their families.



Kristen Waggoner (1994)

As senior counsel with Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF), Kristen helps defend religious freedom and conscience. She has represented individuals, schools, business owners, and others in an effort to protect their freedom of conscience as well as their livelihoods. ADF has won 86 percent of all cases litigated, including 38 U.S. Supreme Court victories. She was also nominated Alumna of the Year in 2013.



Brad Klippert (1993)

Brad is currently serving his third term as the representative of Washington State's 8th legislative district in Kennewick, Wash. He is focusing on balancing the state budget, reducing regulation, and getting the unemployed back to work again. Having formerly served as a teacher, Army pilot, and paramedic, Brad is now a patrol officer in addition to his legislative position.



Augustine Ajuogo (2013)

After graduating with a bachelor's degree in biology from Northwest University, Augustine was accepted into Oxford University's graduate program in immunology. He hopes to one day create life-saving vaccines for the thousands of people who die of disease each year in his homeland of Nigeria—some of whom were his friends and family members.



Joseph Rahn (2009)

As president and founder of the nonprofit organization Leadership Mission International (LMI), Joseph seeks to empower the next generation of Honduran leaders. To achieve this, LMI offers a three-year business leadership degree to young women who could otherwise not afford a college education. Not only will this degree enrich their lives, but it will also enrich their local communities.



Dave (1977) and Gigi Kenney

Dave is the lead pastor of International English Service (IES), a family of international churches in Jakarta, Indonesia, with an average attendance of 3,000 per weekend in five locations. He also serves as the country moderator for the Assemblies of God World Missions (AGWM) team in Indonesia, working together with the Indonesian General Council and AGWM. Other Northwest alumni working in Jakarta include Waldemar and Rosemarie Kowalski, Michael Rody, Tirza Magdiel, and Dea Bramono Tahitoe.

Henry H. Ness

One Man's Impact Continues

When President Castleberry met with Ness family members in his office on August 28, he was surprised by some of what he learned about NU's founder, Dr. Henry H. Ness. But he was astounded by a generous gift he did not expect.

Paul Peterson, Jr. arrived with his mother, Myrtis Peterson, carrying a large, brown photo album. The day was to be a celebration—a thank-you from President Castleberry and the administration for a \$50,000 financial gift the Peterson family had recently made on behalf of Myrtis' father, Henry H. Ness.

Paul opened the album, and the story of one man's impact upon the world began to unfold.

Henry Ness was born in Norway and lived in the same neighborhood where the royal palace was located. As a child, he became playmates with a member of that palace—a boy named Olav. In time, that boy would take the throne as King Olav V. Their friendship lasted a lifetime, with Henry Ness becoming the King of Norway's special advisor.

Henry left Norway at 17 “to get away from my mother's prayers,” as he told others. He came to America and was eventually hired by John D. Rockefeller's company, Standard Oil. Because of his exceptional business skills, Henry soon became top salesman at Standard, one of the largest oil companies in the world.

And yet, despite this tremendous success, his life felt incomplete. His mother's prayers had finally caught up with him. Henry and his wife surrendered their lives to Jesus, and the successful businessman sensed a new calling on his life: ministry. The young man wasted no time.

His first church in Brainerd, Minnesota, was small, but it was a new beginning. Later, Henry planted a new church in Fargo, North Dakota. Like almost everything he touched, this endeavor became hugely successful. So why would he leave this church to pastor another in Seattle? Only God knew the answer to that question.

Henry arrived in Seattle as the new pastor at Hollywood Temple and quickly set out to create the Northwest Bible Institute. It opened on October 1, 1934, and would one day become Northwest University, with thousands of graduates serving Christ as missionaries, ministers, business people, nurses, teachers, lawyers, and countless other roles around the world.

During his time at Northwest Bible Institute, Henry traveled to Europe, where he had a private audience with Pope Pius XII. At the time, Pentecostal Christians in Italy and Spain were being persecuted for their beliefs, and Henry advocated passionately and effectively for their religious freedom.

Henry Ness left Northwest Bible Institute in 1949 when Governor Arthur B. Langlie asked him to become the Chairman of Prison Terms and Paroles during a time of crisis. He served as chairman for four years and eventually returned to ministry, pastoring churches in Washington and California. Dr. Ness was awarded honorary doctorates from three different universities, including the University of Washington.

When Paul Peterson, Jr. closed the album, the room was filled with pride. It was clear to all in attendance that Henry Ness was a man of significant influence. His life had left a considerable impression upon the world. President Castleberry summed it up best: “Dr. Ness may not have had a formal education, but he was a brilliant man who succeeded wherever he was placed and had audiences with kings and popes.”

But the celebration was not over. Paul reached into his pocket and presented President Castleberry with another gift of \$50,000, doubling his family's original donation. In that moment, the Henry H. Ness Scholarship endowment was born, promising to bless a new generation of NU students preparing for vocational ministry.

And the impact of one man from Norway continues.



Northwest University would like to thank the Peterson family for establishing a \$100,000 endowment in loving memory of Dr. Henry H. Ness.



President Castleberry reads from a plaque honoring the Ness Family.



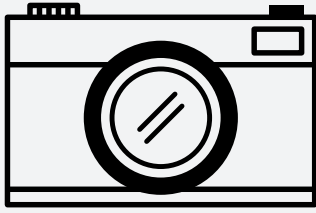
Myrtis Peterson, Paul Peterson Jr., and President Castleberry.



Myrtis Peterson (Henry's daughter) presents a generous gift.



Paul Peterson Jr. shows President Castleberry the Henry H. Ness photo album.



SNAPSHOTS

Portraits From Our Past





NEWS AT NU

Don Piper Speaks at President's Banquet

Best-selling author and speaker Don Piper spoke at the annual President's Banquet on Friday, November 21. Over 300 guests enjoyed lively conversation and dinner at the Westin in Bellevue and heard Mr. Piper speak about his book, "90 Minutes in Heaven." All money raised at the event goes toward providing scholarships for Northwest students through the Opportunity Fund.

Bob Goff Speaks at REACH Conference (photo 3)

The REACH Conference is Northwest University's annual missions conference organized by NUMA Campus Ministries. The event started on Monday, September 29, and ran through Friday, October 3. The weeklong experience featured an inspiring lineup of speakers, including Bob Goff, author of "Love Does" and founder of Restore International.

Social Entrepreneurs Test Their Ideas (photo 1)

Northwest University hosted its Fifth Annual Social Venture Business Plan Competition. Students created business plans that address social needs using sustainable funding. The plans were then presented to the university community, which evaluated the viability and creativity of each one. The winning team, Jampak, proposed a unique twist to an online music marketing company.

Citizens & Saints Album Release (photo 5)

Citizens & Saints held their album release party on November 10 at Butterfield Chapel. The chart-topping Christian band played to a packed house with NU's own Nathaniel Furtado on bass. Their album "Join the Triumph" features the new single "You Brought Me Back to Life." Ghost Ship opened the event, which was free to the public.

Christmas Shines at Benaroya Hall

NU's annual "Christmas Traditions" concert took center stage at Benaroya Hall on December 9. The beautiful choral music was conducted by Bill Owens and featured the Northwest University Concert Choir, the Kirkland Civic Orchestra, and Coro Amici. Attendees enjoyed classic Christmas choral arrangements as well as an audience sing-along.

Leeland Live at Chapel (photo 2)

The progressive worship band Leeland performed at Northwest University to kick off the first Pursuit of the Fall 2014 semester. The event took place on Monday, September 8, in the Butterfield Chapel. Northwest University's very own Crossing opened for Leeland. The concert was free and open to the public.

NU Gear: Now Available Online

Now you can purchase your NU gear from the comfort of your home. The Eagle Exchange—NU's new online store—recently opened and is offering a great selection of T-shirts, sweatshirts, coffee mugs, pennants, and anything else you need to show your Eagle Pride. Visit the new store at northwestu.edu/eagleexchange.

'Our Town' Takes Center Stage (photo 4)

Assisted and coached by Seattle-area theater professionals, Northwest students presented a captivating production of Thornton Wilder's classic play, "Our Town." The play ran November 7, 8, 14, and 15. Cast and technical crew included NU students, staff, faculty, and even one professor's young family member. The NU Drama department stages two full-length productions each year.





Staff and Faculty Updates

Consultations

Carl Christensen

School of Nursing

- Appointed as a commissioner to the Washington State Board of Nursing Home Administrators.
- Completed four-year term as a pro tem member of the Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission.



Josh Ziefle

College of Ministry

- Serving in an advisory capacity to District Youth Director and Youth Leadership Team, assisting in discussion related to network events, and serving as a ministry resource when needed.
- Preached at Nassau Christian Center in New Jersey (June 2014)) and Maltby Christian Assembly in Washington (April 2014).

Stephanie Hofland

College of Adult and Professional Studies (CAPS)

- Consultant for developing cross-curricular lessons for the art program ArtAchieve (artachieve.com).

Presentations

Allison Walker

College of Arts and Sciences

- European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST) Research Summit on Collation of Ancient and Medieval Texts; Münster, Germany; October 2014.

Bob Stallman

College of Ministry

- Society for Pentecostal Studies; Springfield, Mo.; March 2014.

Carl Christensen

School of Nursing

- “American Government: Structure and Politics,” Carl Christensen and Rick Bjurstrom; Kazakh-American Free University; Ust-Kamenogorsk, Kazakhstan; February 2014.

Kenneth Whaley

College of Education

- “Using Student-Centered Interactive Whiteboard Activities to Increase Algebra Achievement,” K.A. Whaley and J. Hall; International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) Conference; Atlanta, Ga.; June 2014.

Marty Folsom

College of Ministry

- “Relational Theology in the None Zone”; Christ and Cascadia Conference; Seattle, Wash.; September 2014.

Matthew Rivera

College of Arts and Sciences

- “The Politics of Regular Devotion: The Augustinians in Bresse, ca. 1560-1660”; Sixteenth Century Society Conference; New Orleans, La.; October 2014.



Millicent Thomas

College of Arts and Sciences

- “Multi-Resolution Deblurring”; Applied Imagery Pattern Recognition Workshop, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Computer Society; Washington, D.C.; October 2014.

Sarah Drivdahl

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

- “Playing to the Crowd: Conversation Partner Determines Temporal Distance of Past and Future Autobiographical Events,” S.B. Drivdahl, M. Arnold, R. Hiatt, and I. Hyman; Psychonomic Society’s 55th Annual Meeting; Long Beach, Calif.; November 2014.



Publication

Donald Doty

College of Business

- “Characteristics and Correlates of Supportive Peer Mentoring: A Mixed Methods Study,” Mentoring & Tutoring: Partnership in Learning; NCPEA Publications, 2014.
- “Challenges and Benefits of Accreditation for Business Colleges in the Middle East,” Arab Journal of Administrative Sciences (AJAS).
- “A Necessary Dialogue: Theory in Case Study Research,” International Journal of Qualitative Methods.
- “Living Your Best Life With Memory Loss,” Senior Living, October 2014.

Jacqueline Gustafson

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

- “Case Study: One Institution’s Application of a Multiple-Methods Assessment Framework,” J.N. Gustafson, J.R. Daniels, and R.J. Smulski; Research & Practice in Assessment: Volume 9, Summer 2014.
- Dr. Gustafson was recently appointed to Dean of the School of Behavioral Sciences at California Baptist University.

Jeremiah Webster

College of Arts and Sciences

- Co-Editor/Contributor, “The Spirit of Adoption,” Cascade Books, Fall 2014.
- “From Inside the Sickroom: An Interview With Charles Hughes”; Dappled Things: Volume 10, Issue 3, Fall 2014.
- “Plan B” (poem), Floating Bridge Review, October 2014.
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Marty Folsom

College of Ministry

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Rachel Binns

College of Arts and Sciences

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Jessica Daniels

Office of the Provost

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Rachel Smulski

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

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Kenneth Whaley

College of Education

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Stephanie Hofland

College of Adult and Professional Studies

- Wrote the interactive audience drama script for the Moonshine Historic Tours; Redmond, Wash..



Dr. Moses Harris receives the Hartje Faculty Award at Convocation.



NU Provost, Dr. Jim Heugel applauds the honor.

Alumni Updates

In Memoriam

Edith Glew (Owen '37) In 1934, Edithorah Owen was the first registrant for Northwest Bible Institute. Three years later, she was the first graduate. After graduation, she married Merle Glew, and they partnered in love, in life, and in ministry all over the Pacific Northwest for 56 years. On Nov. 11, 2014, Edith Glew went to be with the Lord. She will be remembered as an artist, a minister, and primarily as a joyful encourager who aided others through life's challenges. A memorial service is planned for January 10, 2015. For information, please email Merleen Strum (rstrum@comcast.net).



Julianne Kobelin (Barden, '84) celebrated 30 years of marriage in June. Her oldest daughter is on her way to study at Biola. Email: jkobelin@icloud.com

Janet Rowland (Reed, '84) completed her second term as elected County Commissioner in Mesa County, Colo. and now serves as the Executive Director of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Mesa County. CASA is a national organization that trains volunteers to serve as a child's voice in court. Volunteers are appointed by judges to watch over and advocate for abused and neglected children, making sure they do not get lost in the overburdened legal and social service system or languish in foster care.

Paul Melidona ('85) has just completed his Doctorate of Worship Studies at The Institute for Worship Studies in Orange Park, Fla. Email: melmusicpfm@yahoo.com

1990s

Andrea Elston ('92) was married in South Lake Tahoe. She lives in Bothell, Wash., and teaches first grade at Heritage Christian Academy. Email: andreasnyder@juno.com

Tracy Skipper ('92) is a mother of three. She is the building receptionist for the Health Services Pavilion, a facility built to bring community health service resources together under one roof. She is also the weekend unit clerk for Grace Village Health Care and Retirement Community and runs the nurse's station every other weekend. Email: myogababy@yahoo.com

Jason Noble ('98) and his family have been pastoring in Port Angeles, Wash., for the past four years, but they have recently accepted the lead pastorate position at Saint Charles First Assembly in St. Peters, Mo. Email: kdspastor@sbcglobal.net

2000s

Evan Muxen ('04) and his family remain stationed at Fort Drum, N.Y., for an additional two years, starting in April 2014. Email: emmuxen@yahoo.com

1970s

James Pemberton ('74) just released his first book, titled "Out of the Fire," as he continues to assist in the immigrant community. In the last six years, people from more than 90 countries representing every major religion have visited his office, giving him numerous opportunities to share his faith. Email: jim.pemberton@comcast.net

Deborah Roth-Bush ('79) remarried this last year to a high school friend and picked up to move from Oregon to the Denver area. Don, her husband, is a professor at Regis University. Deborah works with nonprofits on fundraising, and both of her boys will be entering the eighth grade in the fall. Email: debby.roth@hotmail.com

1980s

John Weaver ('81) and Joanna (Gustafson) have just celebrated their fifth year as lead pastors of Hamilton Assembly of God in Hamilton, Mont. Their son John Michael (also an NU alum) and his wife Kami (Born) serve alongside them as youth and tech pastors. Their daughter Jessica Downs (also a NU alum) just accepted the elementary director position at Eastridge Church in Issaquah, serving under fellow NU alumni Steve and Cheryl Jamison.

Stephanie Platter ('10) is teaching English, film, and journalism. She loves molding the minds of her students and making them think. She also writes a film review blog, splatter:onfilm@wordpress.com.
Email: platterstephanie@gmail.com

Joyita Taupule (Afamasaga, '12) is a licensed pastor and teacher for the adult Sunday school at her church, Samoan Christian Fellowship Assembly of God in Des Moines, Wash. She is also a counselor for married couples.
Email: pauandjoyita@yahoo.com

Leslie Newman ('13) has recently accepted an offer for an internship with Walt Disney World Resort for 2015 and is eager to start the position while working on her MBA at NU. Email: leslie.newman13@yahoo.com

Kelsey Kaskes (Dill, '14) is currently pursuing her Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology at Northwest University and plans to become a therapist, working with kids with autism and ADHD.
Email: findkelsey@msn.com



Jesse Diaz ('14) was recently hired at Swedish Hospital in the neonatal intensive care unit.
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Sean Gasperetti ('14) serves as the creative arts pastor at New Life Foursquare Church in Everett, Wash. He oversees all things related to music, production, communications (print, video, web), and baptisms. He completed his degree through NU's CAPS program while working full time.
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Luke 2:10-11

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