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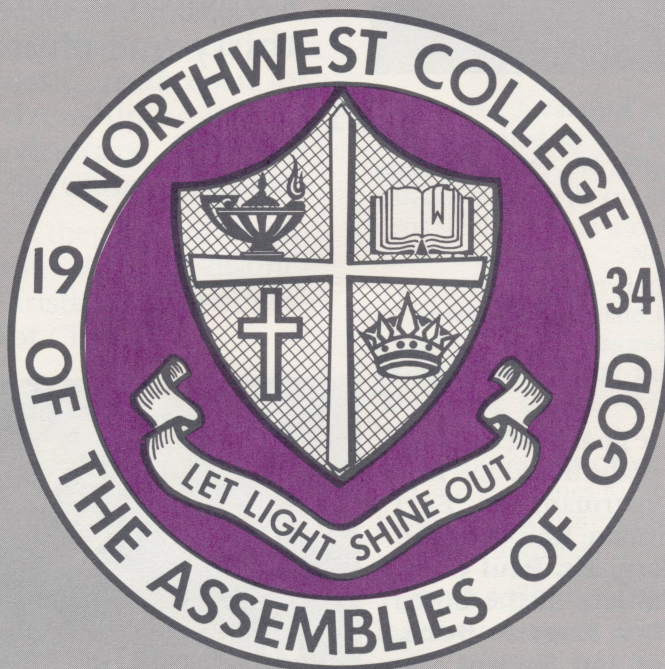
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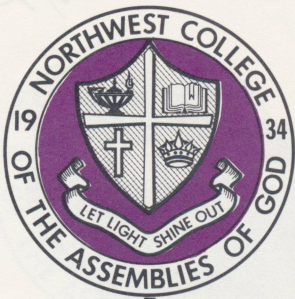
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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT



NORTHWEST COLLEGE • ASSEMBLIES OF GOD





# FROM THE PRESIDENT



President D.V. Hurst

Northwest College serves the Northwest area of the Assemblies of God, comprising the districts of Alaska, S. Idaho, Montana, Northwest, Oregon and Wyoming. The Board of Directors comes from these districts and includes the district officers, lay persons, Alumni President, Funding and Endowment Board Chairman and the College President. The Board totals thirty-one church leaders.

Northwest College Board of Directors. Current officers of the board are: **Rev Frank Cole**, Chairman; **Dr. Earl Book**, Vice Chairman; **Rev. Clifford Hobson**, Secretary; **Mr. Paul Gray**, Treasurer. Committees of the Board Chairmen are: **Rev. Eugene Born**, Campus Facilities and Student Services; **Dr. Richard Blue**, Curriculum and personnel; **Mr. Paul Gray**, Finance and Salaries; **Mr. Henry Portin**, Public Relations and Student Recruitment; **Rev. Dennis Davis**, Fund Raising. **Mr. Howard Hoskins** serves as Chairman of the Funding and Endowment Board.



NORTHWEST COLLEGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



# STATEMENT OF MISSION

Northwest College is on course. It continues in the direction in which it started over fifty years ago.

When its founders dreamed . . . prayed . . . planned . . . and worked to bring it into being, they resolved that Northwest would “. . . offer a thorough course of instruction in God’s word to all students . . . provide for training pastors and evangelists . . . provide for training in Christian Education . . . foster missionary interest . . . help missionary candidates prepare . . . provide training for ministry of music, chaplaincy, (and) teaching . . . encourage students to be filled with the spirit . . . live consistent lives . . . lead others to Christ . . . form wholesome, intellectual, social and spiritual attitudes . . . and prepare for citizenship in a democracy and for active Christian service.”



The historic faith is alive.

And, they wanted Northwest to “make a distinctive contribution to Christian higher education and to the cause of Christ.”

After almost forty-five years of existence, the College was once again evaluated by an accreditation team representing the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges. In the crucial part of its report, when speaking of the purpose of Northwest the committee stated in part: “There is no question that these objectives determine all activities and the commitment of resources. Further, the desired outcomes *do* follow: the objectives are attained, the three are:

1. Development of the whole person...
2. Inclusion of professional/vocational skills in the individuals’ full development; and
3. Propagation of the historic faith

through the sponsoring church organization, the Assemblies of God.

These were the words of the Committee! How thankful we were to read them! They assured us . . . and the Higher Commission of the Association.

Now almost ten years later we are in self-evaluation again preparing for another visit from the same association. We again ask ourselves, “**are we on course?**” We believe we are! Northwest College is still doing what it was brought into being to do!

In its educational philosophy contained in its current catalog the College states: “. . . Its concept of education is distinctively Christian in the evangelical sense. . . It recognizes the authority of the Bible as a divine communication of truth. (Man is) a morally responsible being whose choices and actions determine his usefulness to his Creator and to his fellow men . . . As a creature of God, each man is an individual of intrinsic worth and dignity. . . Northwest has a commitment to truth. . .

Among the educational goals as presently conceived and presented in the College catalogue are such statements as “. . . Northwest seeks to cultivate Christian character in its students. It desires that each student shall maintain a right relationship to God and to his fellow men . . . Northwest is concerned with the intellectual development of its students. . . it endeavors to stimulate in its students a social and moral perceptiveness and realizes the importance of physical and mental fitness. . . In addition to the developing of the whole man. . . It recognizes a distinctive obligation to propagate the historic faith of the sponsoring church. Since its founding it has had and continues to have a particular concern for those vocational areas relating closely to the church’s Great Commission.”

The accrediting team found Northwest College’s Statement of Purpose right up front in its catalog and basing its conclusion on it, said: “the desired outcomes *do* follow. . .” (The emphasis was theirs.)

Yes, we believe Northwest College *is* on course, as it has been from the beginning. We believe the desired outcomes *still* follow. And we *pray* God will help us to stay on course fulfilling its purpose.





# MISSION: PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Northwest College believes in developing the whole man. The founding statement of purpose declared it; evaluators who have investigated the College have found it to be so.

Jesus said, "ye shall be witnesses. . ." What a man is proves to be crucial to what he does, to the ultimate effectiveness of his ministry, whether as



Development of the whole person includes intellectual development.

a full-time, licensed or ordained minister or as a lay minister, serving in some other vocation.

The College believes it has a distinct obligation to help its students develop spiritually, intellectually, socially, physically, culturally, in aesthetic awareness, as a responsible Christian citizen and in other ways which make for a whole and satisfying life.

This responsibility is met across Campus. In the residence halls the staff see themselves as "developers" and have structured a student development philosophy and program. In this program the cultivation of relationships receive high priority.

Student organizations of many kinds present opportunities to develop leadership skills.

The athletics and intramural programs provide opportunities to develop



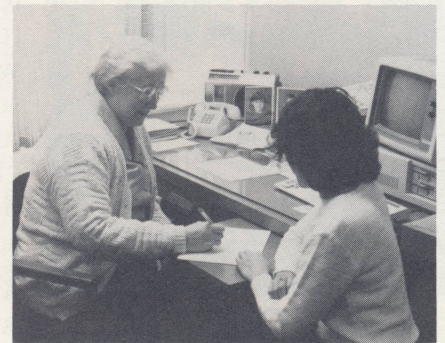
Opportunities for social and physical development are prevalent.

physically.

Opportunities to grow spiritually are provided all across Campus—in daily chapel, in Christian chapel service, in the residence hall group meetings, in spiritual

emphasis weeks (the Fall Revival and Missions Convention), in the classroom, and through personal contact with faculty and staff.

The Christian Formation Core Curriculum was designed to provide opportunity to build one's faith and to develop spiritual life very intentionally right in the classroom. The course in Christian Foundation does this. It is



Caring faculty build relationships with students that last a lifetime.

faith strengthening and building. The course in Prayer and Worship is designed to study these great themes and then to experience them. . . in the classroom. Daily chapel with worship teams. . . administration and faculty speakers. . . guest pastors, evangelists, missionaries etc. . . are all pointed toward this important part of whole life development.

This year has seen a strong emphasis on Missions. . . on Prayer, with the Dick Eastman School of Prayer. . . on Bible Reading, with a read-the-Bible-through-during-the-year program. . . and on Christian service.

As a result of all of this, it is heartening to hear graduates of the past report that NC distinctly improved their quality of life!



Daily chapel services enhance spiritual growth.



# MISSION: TRAINING



**K**ey to a college such as Northwest is the word, training. NC seeks to provide more than an education (important as it is). NC seeks to provide opportunities for development of professional and vocational skills. It seeks to make ministers of all of its students, believing God desires all believers to minister.



All students are training for ministry, because God desires all believers to minister.

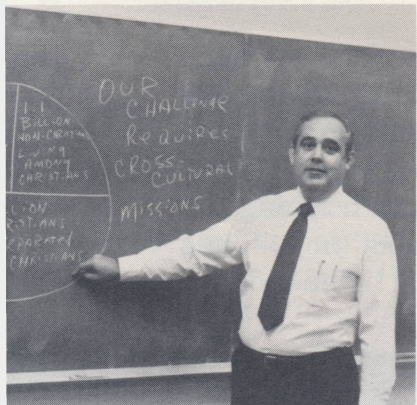
The model for training is Jesus, Himself, who chose students (disciples) to "be with Him." He instructed them; He showed them how; He evaluated their efforts. He *trained* them.

This is the task NC sees as its task! In chapel, classroom, laboratory, library, Christian service of all kinds, internship and more, rich opportunities are provided to learn, to grow and to become a pastor, music director, missionary evangelist, teacher, Christian educator, counselor, youth minister or be involved in any one of many other fields.

The options available to the student at NC vary from a one-year Certificate of Christian Studies, to a two-year Associate of Arts Degree (serving as a basis for a wide variety of further studies and preparation), to a three-year diploma and to a four-year Bachelor of Arts.

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**M**ajors in four-year Bachelor of Arts Degree include:

- Behavioral Science
- Biblical Literature
- Christian Education
- Elementary Education
- Missions
- Pastoral Ministries
- Religion and Philosophy
- Sacred Music
- Youth Ministries



Experiential training goes hand in hand with academics.

**M**inors available include:

- Biblical Languages
- Business (for church staff)
- Christian Education
- Communication and Preaching
- History
- Missions

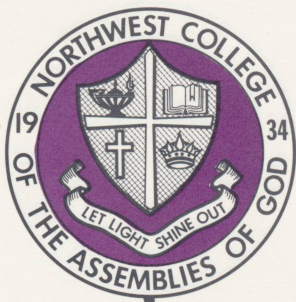


Jesus instructed disciples and sent them out; NC's task is to do the same.

- New Testament Greek
- Pastoral Care
- Pastoral Ministries
- Sacred Music
- Youth Ministries

**T**he two-year Associate of Arts Degree includes a broad variety of emphases from which to choose.





# MISSION: PROPAGATING THE HISTORIC FAITH

Northwest College functions at the heart of the Great Commission. It is a school with a mission. It does seek to "propagate the historic faith."

In keeping with the great tradition of missions in the Northwest Region of the Assemblies of God, NC places strong emphasis on it...in the classroom...in chapel...in the missions convention. Its graduates are scattered around the world right now declaring the faith.

Across the region they are serving as pastors, as associate ministers, as pioneering pastors, as teachers, as church leaders. The high percentage of ordainees in each of the districts of the region each year attests to fulfillment of NC's mission to propagate the historic faith.

A recent survey of alumni showed that nearly 90 percent of the four-year graduates went into the ministry fulltime or on to graduate studies, further preparing for ministry. The remaining 10 percent stated they were involved in lay ministry. Both groups rate their training received at NC "very high."

Increasingly, alumni of NC are finding

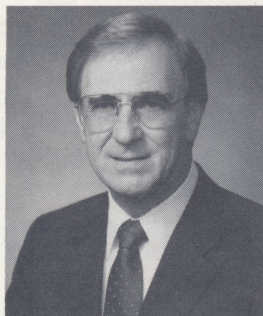
a place of leadership within the Assemblies of God beyond the local church. They serve in district offices, in national positions, and positions of leadership abroad. The record number of graduates of the immediate past years suggests this trend will increase.

Graduates of NC serve in a wide variety of places. Like Frank Cole, Northwest District Superintendent; Paul Goodman, Assistant Superintendent of Montana; Ron Dugone, Pastor of his home church in Idaho; Ken Benintendi, China Office Director in Hong Kong; John Sutton, Music Minister in Denver; Ray Noah, Christian Educations Director in Oregon, Dennis Davis, Pastor in Oregon; Kent Redfearn, a recent graduate, newly elected pastor of a large church in Anchorage...and the list goes on! Hundreds of them!

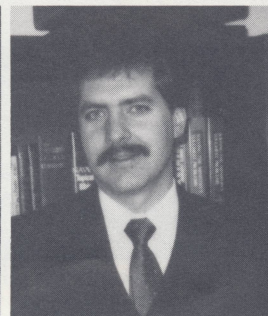
Over 11,000 have attended NC, been touched, developed and "sent." Over three-thousand have graduated. The influence of these lives in propagating the faith, in reaching the world with the gospel, in fulfilling the mission of NC...is unending!



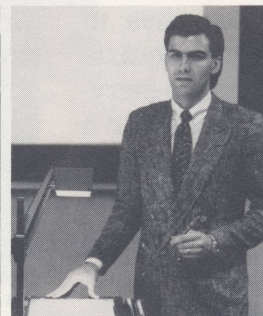
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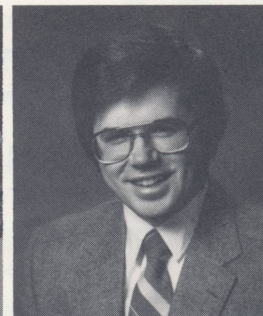
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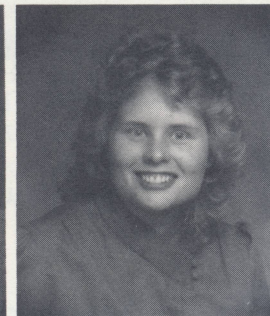
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Willamette Christian Center,  
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**Mr. David Rodli, Esq.**  
*Lawyer  
Missoula, Montana*



**Miss Cheri Schoenrock**  
*Elementary School Teacher  
Spanaway Christian School,  
Spanaway, WA*



# SUPPORTING THE MISSION

Friend of NC, after you have read this report, it's time to think . . . to talk directly "across the table" in an open way.

- Do we really believe in NC's mission of:
  - Personal Development of young lives?
  - Training ministers wherever they will serve?
  - Propagating the historic faith?

The only real way we can answer this in the affirmative is to support NC in prayer and financially at the highest level we possibly can!

There are those who do! There is the Prayer and Living Endowment Fellowship. . . over 500 friends who pray for NC regularly and send at least \$25.00 per year around the time of their birthday. **We need at least 1,000 prayer partners like this.**

There is the Centurion Group, individuals who have committed to give a thousand or more dollars to NC each year. This group is growing. **We need at least 100 Centurions.**

There is the Funding and Endowment Board, professional people who are deeply committed to helping NC. They are training to be liaison friends of the College. They will be conducting seminars and contacting donors and encouraging them to give directly now and in wills and trusts. Already they have been a great blessing although the board has been in existence only a year and one-half.

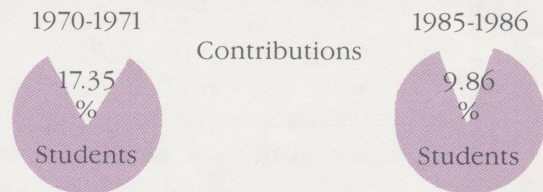
Many churches of the Northwest area have written NC into their monthly budget. Some contribute substantially. But here I must speak directly. The percentage of churches which support regularly is far below what it should be and can be.

We should do at home what we do abroad. Most overseas missions work of our church now is training nationals. We "exported" the idea and it is working! But we need to see it as the thing to do at home, too. Missions support knows no boundaries! God's Son came to the world and told us to go to the world. May God help us to see this.

## The Facts

The fact is our church is paying a smaller share of the education cost at NC now than it did in the past. Contributions levels have risen; but they have not kept pace with the cost levels. Note this: In 1970-1971 the contributors equaled 17.25 percent of the educational costs. In 1985-1986 they equaled 9.86 percent.

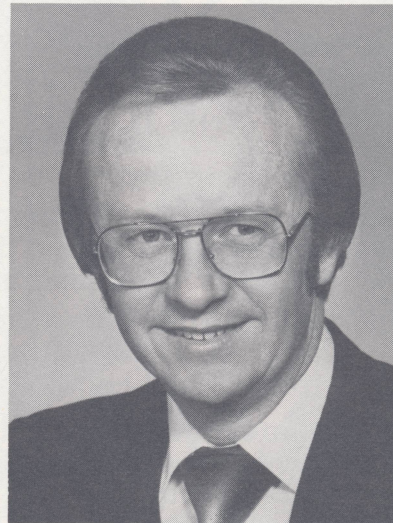
### Contribution Ratio



If the contributions had kept pace with costs they would be at twice the level they now are.

Note this:	Student Tuition & Fees	Contributions as percent of Total	Contributions actual to General Fund
1970-1971	\$39,195	17.35%	\$83,398
1985-1986	\$2,505,865	9.86%	\$274,151

To have remained at 17.35 percent of the total contributions would have had to be \$526,035!



**Hubert J. Book**  
1st Assembly of God, Anchorage, Alaska  
*"We support Northwest College because laborers must be trained if we, the Church, are to fulfill the Master's directive and take the gospel into all the world and to every creature!"*

The ratio should be 40 percent contributions at least. That would have been \$1,670,576.

And think of this: One seminary of a solidly fundamental persuasion receives 80 percent of its support from contributions, endowment and other nonstudent sources. The students are asked to pay only 20 percent. Clearly the Assemblies of God and Northwest College has a long way to go in demonstrating its financial support of the students who are training to serve the Assemblies of God as it fulfills its Mission.

**Pastor, Deacon, not only do we need to challenge young people to commit their lives to ministry wherever God may call them but we need to support them as they prepare.**





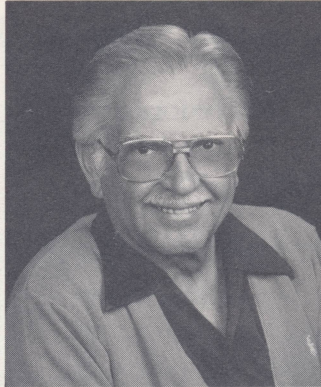
Friends of NC . . .

# YOU ARE A PART

**N**ow I want to talk to you out of my heart.

We are all grateful for Northwest College. We believe God has brought it into being as an instrument to fulfill the mission of the church.

- He has provided a beautiful fifty-five acre campus strategically located.
- He has called hundreds of young people to its halls of learning and growing Christian experience year after year. What young people! What commitment they show! They are beautiful! They are filled with promise!
- He has prepared and placed an excellent and dedicated faculty in place at NC.
- He has built a heritage of over fifty years of "letting the gospel light shine out from NC."



President D.V. Hurst

It's all here. . . on NC's campus.

But there is one missing ingredient. The college needs:

**More praying friends** of NC who will pray and contribute \$25.00 per year. . . at least 1,000 such friends.

**More Centurions** who will contribute at least \$1,000.00 per year.

**More churches** who will commit 10 percent of their world mission funding to the cause of training the missionaries. . . students at NC.

**More friends** who will write NC into their wills. . . will set up a trust or some other deferred giving instrument and endow the future of NC.

**Many, many, more who will help students** who are in need! Some have to drop out for lack of finance. One wonders how many ministries are thus aborted . . . before they are born!!

Hear me carefully and in the spirit in which I say it. I have given the best twenty-one years of my life to NC. . . my mature years. Out of this experience I say only as our church "turns a corner," re-evaluates its priorities and supports NC at dramatically higher and broader levels will it continue into the 90's and fulfill its mission under God.

Please, pray with me and Give . . .

For Him and His mission,

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