



Dear Friends,

Happy sunny Friday! This week we had the opportunity to hear not only two incredible senior speakers, but ten dynamic NUSG candidates as well. I am so proud of the leadership that is represented on this campus!

Don't forget to vote on your 2012-2013 NUSG team, as well as the Senate proposals, by visiting [http://eagle.northwestu.edu/announcements/nusg-election\\_20120323](http://eagle.northwestu.edu/announcements/nusg-election_20120323).

For those of you asking about the two Chapels that we missed as a result of the snow week in January, we have decided to compensate for those two Chapels, we will lower the passing policy this semester from 36 credits to 34 credits. This means that in order to pass for the semester, out of the over 60 opportunities for credit, you will only need 34 to pass. If you have questions regarding your attendance, please email [chapelattendance@northwestu.edu](mailto:chapelattendance@northwestu.edu).

### Chapel Next Week

**Monday, March 26**, Abe Daniel, the District Youth Director for Northern California will be bringing us a message titled "Finding Victory in the Valley." **Wednesday, March 28**, we will be hearing from various faculty, staff, and students during this semester's College of Ministry Integration. **Friday, March 23**, Dr. Castleberry will be speaking to us from John 20:1-31.

### Pursuit | Mondays at 9PM

Join us this Monday as Peter Blue and the team from New Life in Renton will be leading us in an all-worship Pursuit. Also, if you are interested in being baptized at Pursuit on April 2, please email [Jennifer.Jensen@northwestu.edu](mailto:Jennifer.Jensen@northwestu.edu).

### NUMA 2012-2013

We are now accepting applications for the director positions for the 2012-2013 NUMA team. Along with the original 6 positions: Worship, Pursuit, Life Groups, Missions, Outreach, and Prayer, we have added two additional positions for 2012-2013: Public Relations Director and NUMA Chairperson. If you are interested in applying for any of these positions, applications are available outside the Campus Ministries Office or online at <http://eagle.northwestu.edu/departments/campus-ministries/numa-applications/>. Applications are due March 30<sup>th</sup> and final decisions will be announced by April 13<sup>th</sup>.

### Embargo Auction | March 29 | 7pm | Butterfield Chapel

Embargo is hosting a live auction to raise money towards Abolition International. Students, staff, faculty, and the broader Kirkland Community are invited to come and bid on items such as Seattle Sounders memorabilia, photography packages, name brand clothing and accessories, and even an Apple TV. Entrance is free and bidding paddles are \$1 at the door. Also, if you are interested in volunteering please email [outreach@northwestu.edu](mailto:outreach@northwestu.edu).

### Offering

Last week you brought in \$286.41 towards our Embargo offering bringing our total raised to \$3352.05. We only have \$1647.95 left to reach our goal and I believe we can do it!!

### Scripture Focus

*"For we live by faith, not by sight." – 2 Corinthians 5:7*

### Student Story

I came to Northwest because God called me here. I didn't give it a second thought and said "the plan is just." It was up until the first day of school that I was relaxed, I felt like there was nothing to fear. The first week of school felt like a smack to the face. It was then that I realized what I felt was my greatest fear: Memory loss. For as long as I can remember I have been dealing with memory loss. I don't tell a lot of people because most don't believe me. I told all of my professors, I also told them I didn't fully understand what my memory loss was going to mean as far as my classes were concerned. Every time I would have to tell a professor or a fellow student I would say to myself "the plan is just."

I started to feel more confident in school again... until exams and tests came. I would feel confident, continually telling myself "the plan is just". But once the papers got in front of me, I couldn't remember a thing. I would still try to remind myself "the plan is just" but it became nothing but words.

As the semester continued I felt like things kept being thrown at me. Having nightmares every night didn't help. I wrote in my journal for God to help me, but that's when the lies began. Satan kept telling me that I was worthless, that coming to Northwest was the biggest mistake I ever made. And for some reason I began to agree with him. I saw the hurts in others and began to think that the world is full of nothing but pain and suffering. However "in paradise all is forgiven, you'll be at peace." I remembered. So went the road that I thought was the best. However it was only a road of more pain. I separated myself from almost everyone I could, but that just made me feel worse. I started to feel like nothing was worth it and I would rather die. I only told one of my friend's that. (He's known me since I was 12). I know it pained him for me to tell him that, but I needed to tell someone other than God. I refused to be comforted. I only wanted to be in Heaven, I wanted to be with my family and friends there. I also knew that Satan couldn't get to me there. It was the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of March that it got worse. I couldn't handle it anymore. I knew I could never kill myself, but I begged God every day just to let me die. Just to take me away from the earth and escape the pain.

On the 12<sup>th</sup> I went to Pursuit like I usually do. As usual I put up my mask, pretending that everything was OK and nothing was wrong, while on the inside I was crying. As I started to listen to the music I started to become quiet. I heard a quiet "I love you" and I fell to my knees and started to cry. I knew it was God talking to me. He reminded me that it wasn't just by chance that I came to Northwest, He told me to go, it was His plan for me. He reminded me that there is nothing I could do to make Him stop loving me, and He is with me always. It was then that I was reminded of the phrase "the plan is just" and it meant so much more. I praise God that He didn't let my life end just because I wanted it to. I am thankful that He placed me at Northwest because I am surrounded by wonderful people and the most amazing friends I could ever ask for.

-Sally

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