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Investing in Lives



president’s letter

Dear Alumni and Friends:

I think you will be pleased with the articles and stories in this edition of *The Messenger* that revolve around the theme “investing in the lives of others.” As you already know, Northwest Nazarene University is second to none when it comes to the business of investing. Our history is filled with hundreds of examples of men and women who have believed in the cause of Christian higher education and the worthiness of investing in the success and significance of future generations.

A few years ago I spoke to a gathering of alumni and friends of the university about the “fundamental principles of investment” as applied to our work here at NNU. Along with the major questions of who and what our students are to become, we asked the question: “How will you invest your life?” It is a question each of us needs to ask ourselves. Beyond our relationships with God and our fellow travelers, how we choose to invest our lives will mark the impact of our lives as we journey through this temporal existence and our influence for eternity.

I noted at this gathering three principles that I believe apply to our alumni and friends who invest in NNU. First, when we invest in the potential of another person, especially a student, we are enabling him or her to believe that what might otherwise be impossible can become possible. Second, when volunteers, trustees, and donors invest time and resources at this university, they enable NNU to compete academically and athletically in the marketplace of colleges and universities. Third, when we invest in NNU, we guarantee that this “place of preparation” will also be a “place of remembrance.” We enable others to remember their covenants with God and others.

So I trust that as you read this *Messenger*, you will be reminded of men and women, perhaps NNU faculty and staff, who invested in your life. And, perhaps, you will join the hundreds today who are ensuring that NNU will continue to have the resources for the future to continue its mission of “investing in the lives of others.”

Sincerely,

Richard A. Hagood
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HOPE

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Lilly Carreon grew up in a rural town in Southwest Idaho, living on a farm and translating for her parents. Attending college seemed like an impossible dream, but hope has a name—Lilly.

Early in her parents' marriage they immigrated to the United States, making their living working in California. At five years of age Lilly and her family moved to Marsing, Idaho, where her father worked as a farmer and carpenter, providing her with many enjoyable experiences growing up on the farm. Her parents saw the benefit of higher education and encouraged Lilly to go to college to make her dream a reality.

In high school Lilly invested time and energy in perfecting her skills academically and athletically. It was in these strengths that then NNU Volleyball Coach Darlene Brasch saw potential and began building a relationship with her. Until this time Lilly had not considered attending NNU; however, after visiting the campus she realized if she were going to make this dream a reality, she would need to get financial assistance. Lilly ambitiously applied for scholarships and worked with financial aid staff to make her dream a possibility.

In September 2000, Lilly began her college education at NNU. At first Lilly was anxious about the transition to college life because she was shy and introverted. But Lilly found the adjustment wasn't as difficult as she expected. "It was easy to fit in. People here are accepting of who you are and love you just as you are."





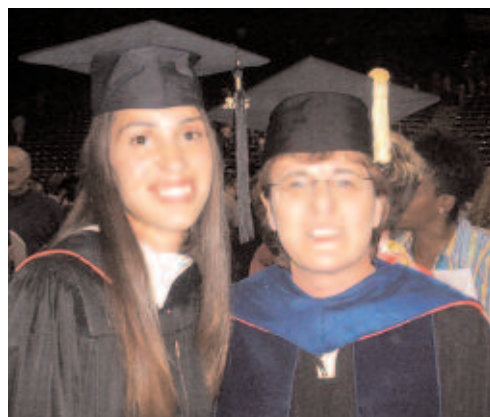
Lilly devotes her life to helping students recognize their potential and personally demonstrates the benefit of a formal education.



Photos: page 4 and 5 Lilly and her parents, Gustavo and Estela Carreon on the family ranch east of Marsing near Jump Creek. Page 6 and 7 clockwise from top: Lilly with her students; Lilly and parents; Lilly with Dr. Kim Forseth.

“It was easy to fit in. People here are accepting of who you are and love you just as you are.”

Lilly Carreon— investing in children’s lives



Lilly seems to be at an emotional loss for words to describe her NNU experience. As she wipes away a tear, she shared, “NNU is incredible—with people who deeply invest in students and make every effort to connect with them.” She found that her professors were not there only to educate her but care for her personally as well. “Numerous times Dr. Kim Forseth went above and beyond her responsibility to write recommendations for me or just to listen when I was struggling. I knew I could go to her any time with any problem.”

One of the things Lilly especially enjoyed about NNU was the strong Christian environment. Having devotions in the classroom and praying in community settings were new to her. Looking back on the experience, she shared, “It was so awesome to see so many Christians that were helpful, always encouraging and willing to answer my questions regarding Christianity.”

Friendships have a whole new meaning for Lilly after attending NNU. Not only did she meet her fiancé, Aaron Sanders, to whom she will be married in July 2006, but she made lasting memories with many female friends.

In addition to visiting friends’ families out of state, Lilly enjoyed having her friends go home with her on the weekends and experience homemade Latino dishes such as tamales. “They enjoyed being with my family as much as I enjoyed spending time with theirs.”

While the social aspect of college was great, Lilly still made her studies a priority. She enjoyed multiple classes including a Spanish internship with the School of Arts, Humanities and

Social Sciences. In addition to her internship, teaching English as a Second Language (ESL), the Spanish classes provided her with formal opportunities that boosted her resume and provided a solid foundation to earn an additional teaching credential to complement her undergraduate degree.

After graduating in 2004, Lilly immediately began to appreciate the benefit of her NNU education. She teaches ESL at South Middle School in Nampa, Idaho, investing in children’s lives. Consistently she pours her heart into the children in her class and encourages their potential because she’s been in their shoes and knows first hand the difficulties and joys of learning a new language. Each day she emphasizes the high value of knowing two languages. Lilly devotes her life to helping students recognize their potential and personally demonstrates the benefit of a formal education, hoping that they will also become first-generation college graduates.

In addition to time in the classroom, Lilly shares her love of sports by coaching 8th grade girls’ basketball and volleyball. She is putting her collegiate athletic experience to use mentoring children in their physical and emotional development while modeling citizenship and encouraging kids to value their talents and abilities.

The NNU experience was a dream that became a reality for a young Latino farm girl raised in Marsing, Idaho. Anything is possible. Hope has a name and a future. As for what the future holds Lilly says, “The students I’m working with are awesome, and my education at NNU has strongly impacted my life—we’ll see where God leads.” NNU’s legacy of investing in the lives of others continues through the life of Lilly Carreon.



Gulf Coast Relief Efforts Impact Lives

Just days before the New Year, 35 NNU students and 8 sponsors climbed on a charter bus headed for the Gulf Coast.

Article & photos by Michael T. Spengler, campus ministries director

Just days before the New Year, 35 NNU students and 8 sponsors climbed on a charter bus headed for the Gulf Coast. After 40 hours of driving, half the team was dropped off in the deep southern bayou of Louisiana—the other half made their way east to Gautier on the coast of Mississippi.



Three things stand out in the Gulf Coast: destruction, people, and faith. Of course, there are the hundreds of other things to share, like what life is like in a FEMA trailer or the \$12 price tag on a piece of sheet rock, but these are simply details of a



greater story.

The ruin is incalculable. The best way to paint the enormity of it may be with a single snapshot. Along dozens of miles there is one deceiving building on the Mississippi coast. It looks like a normal hotel that got hit with everyday 150+ mph winds and 10- to 15-foot waves. It is collapsed, without siding, and sports a 50-foot mast. “Wait. What? How did a hotel grow a mast?” a student exclaims while passing by in the charter bus. “A casino,” the local disaster relief pro leans



Pictured front row: Megan Hill, Lacey O’Conner, Janee Mestrovich, Sarah Crockett, Roger Landon. Back row: Sandra O’Conner, Michael Spengler, Mark Hewes, Josh Van der Ploeg

in and explains. It turns out that Katrina’s winds were powerful enough to blow an entire floating casino 300 yards past the beach, the highway, and directly on top of a now-squashed hotel. What they were looking at was five feet of hotel lobby and ten stories of a floundering ship.

In situations where work and witness teams come into areas of severe pain and loss, they need to be prepared to give sensitive and compassionate responses. The NNU students exhibited incredible patience in the face of so many questions and a caring spirit with people who were victimized.

The students made relationships with people everywhere they went. They connected with the homeowners they worked for and quickly made friends with most of the gas station attendants in the Midwest. The students have pictures to remember just about every face on the trip, but there was one woman who left everyone misty-eyed—her name was Etta.

If the NNU team were given the opportunity to spend another hour with this woman, they would fire up the bus

for a second 40-hour trip to Mississippi tonight. The impact of her testimony and faith would make the sacrifice worth every minute. Etta lost everything to the Katrina hurricane—everything except her land and her faith. Etta fit every modern image for a southern black Pentecostal woman that one could imagine. Hands were waving, tears were flowing, and “Amen” took the place of punctuation in her sentences. The students adored her for her love of the Lord and her hospitality. While the team stood around for three hours in Etta’s gutted house waiting for supplies, “church” was on. She testified to God’s faithfulness with power and clarity. The vacancy of her home took a back seat to her tireless trust in God.

Nazarene Disaster Response (NDR) has walked alongside people like Etta by collaborating with work and witness teams from churches and universities like NNU. They have provided places to stay and hot meals, and even coordinated work sites so that teams can simply show up and serve. NDR is currently putting together a DVD to highlight God’s faithfulness in the hearts of people like Etta, and to send the message that there is much work left to do.



Dr. Mamie Oliver Inducted Into the NAACP’s Heritage Hall of Fame

The Treasure Valley Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People created the Heritage Hall of Fame to honor “exceptional individuals whose selfless efforts and commitments to civil rights made a positive difference in their community.”

This year, NNU’s own Dr. Mamie O. Oliver has been recognized as one such person. While a professor at Boise State University from 1972-1988, Dr. Oliver and her students made a significant contribution to Idaho’s African-American heritage through researching and recording their

history. Among her many other remarkable achievements, Dr. Oliver was influential in the acceptance of Boise’s St. Paul Church on the historical register. It now houses the Idaho Black History Museum. With two governors’ appointments, she chaired the first Martin Luther King, Jr. Task Force and served two terms on Governor Kempthorne’s Coordinating Council for Families and Children.

Both she and her husband, Dr. H. Lincoln Oliver, have made significant contributions to establishing Black Americans as a part both of Idaho’s history and of humanity as a whole. Together, they founded the Treasure Valley Council for Church and Social Action (TVCCSA), Inc. Community Ministries Center to meet the needs of the less fortunate.

Dr. Oliver’s achievements and recognitions are far reaching. As an ordained Baptist minister, noted author, licensed social work practitioner, and beloved professor, to name a few, Dr. Oliver is an exemplary woman who in striving for social change has made a difference in countless lives.

The State of Idaho and NNU are truly blessed by the contributions Dr. Mamie Oliver has made to Afro-American history.

NNU Receives Accolades for Wireless Technology



Intel named NNU as one of the top 50 “Most Unwired College Campuses” in the U.S. for 2005. NNU is the only university in Idaho and one of seven schools west of the Mississippi named by Intel. Other schools named in the top 50 include Ball State University, Purdue University, and

WestPoint, United States Military Academy. Wireless campus networks are dramatically changing the way students, staff, and faculty learn and work.

In the past several years NNU has made significant efforts to continue the integration of technology in academics. It is for this reason Dr. Eric Kellerer, director of information services, believes NNU has been recognized by this world-wide leading organization. Kellerer stated, “NNU is a technology-focused campus specifically for the academic environment. Students can experience the benefit anywhere on our campus by connecting to the learning environment in small groups or as individuals – it’s

all accessible anytime, anywhere.”

Students on the NNU campus not only have the important ability to access learning resources, but the wireless network also provides them an opportunity to stay connected with friends and family. “This is important for prospective students especially because as millennials they weigh how they can maintain present and develop future networks,” said Eric Forseth, NNU vice president for enrollment services and marketing.

Survey findings are based on college campuses of more than 1,000 undergraduate students that are covered by wireless technology. NNU’s computer-to-student ratio is approximately 1 to 5.

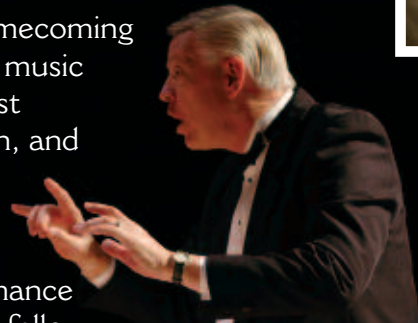


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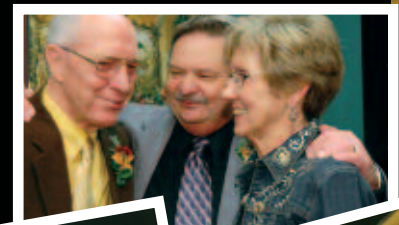
At Homecoming 2005, alumni and friends had the opportunity to enjoy the Homecoming Concert filled with delightful music performed by current and past students, pianist Jerry Nelson, and the Harmonaires. Many alumni also reminisced with classmates at reunion gatherings, enjoyed a performance of *Midsummer Nights Dream*, fellow-shipped with friends at the Fifth Quarter following the men's basketball game, or bid on fabulous auction items.

I hope these pictures bring back memories of the wonderful weekend! Don't forget to mark your calendars for Homecoming 2006, Nov. 22-25.

Darl Bruner '76
Director of Alumni Relations



Pictured clockwise from top left: Alumni award recipients, Crusader Choir, Hallelujah Brass alumni, *Midsummer Nights Dream*, basketball game, alumni visiting with friends and shopping at the silent and live auctions, homecoming court, and the Harmonaires.



Riley-Woodward Faculty Research Grant

Continual faculty scholarship has been made available through a new



research grant, the Riley-Woodward Faculty Research Grant. This grant financially enables NNU faculty members in pursuing specific research interests in the

fields of English, history and political science, and religion. The Riley-Woodward Faculty Research Grant honors the lives and careers of John E. Riley and Robert C. Woodward.

Dr. John Riley dedicated his life to serving God and the Nazarene community in several capacities. Beginning in 1944 as the pastor of College Church of the Nazarene in Nampa, Idaho, Riley invested his life into Northwest Nazarene College. He spent eight years as professor of theology and pastor of College Church and twenty-one years as president of NNC, beginning in 1953. As a missionary, author, and scholar, Riley was devoted to educational pursuits. It is the hope that this grant will serve to carry on his intellectual legacy through exceptional researchers.



Dr. Robert Woodward, an NNC alumnus, returned in 1958 to his alma mater and served for 33 years as a professor of history. He was known by his colleagues

and students for his valuable insights and stimulating teaching style. Some of these students included two Nazarene college presidents, a Rhodes Scholar, many college professors, and graduate students. Woodward was the recipient of both a master's and doctoral degree in history from the University of Oregon. After his retirement from teaching in 1991, he served as the university archivist.

The university is grateful to the Riley and Woodward families for their support of campus scholarship through leader-

ship and teaching. We are grateful to Dr. Noel Riley Fitch and Dr. Richard Etulain for coordinating the efforts of this research initiative.

Contributions are being accepted through the Office of University Advancement, Riley-Woodward Research Grant.

NNU Receives Prestigious Program Acceptance

The School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences will participate in the sought-after alliance with the Lilly Fellows Program. This prestigious organization encourages the professional development of faculty within the context of Christian higher education and leadership development. NNU faculty are eager to expand their professional networks, collaborative opportunities, and research ventures through this professional affiliation.

"Beloved Community" Welcomes Dr. Charles Marsh



NNU's 2006 Beloved Community featured speaker Dr. Charles Marsh, an award-winning author on civil rights, presented "The Beloved Community:

How Faith Shapes Social Justice" mid January, bringing a message encouraging faith in action.

Dr. Marsh is a professor of religion at the University of Virginia and director of the Project on Lived Theology. A native of Alabama, he is a graduate of Harvard Divinity School and is the author of *Reclaiming Dietrich Bonhoeffer* (2005); the award-winning *God's Long Summer: Stories of Faith and Civil Rights* (1997); and *The Beloved Community: How Faith Shapes Social Justice, From the Civil Rights Movement to Today* (2004).

In addition to Dr. Marsh's presentation, students participated in a series of Beloved Community events including the annual Martin Luther King Jr. March and Vigil and chapel presentations. Beloved

Community Events are funded in part by the Len B. Jordan Public Affairs Symposium.

MBA Strategic Management Students Travel to Europe

On Friday, October 28th, eight MBA students and three professors from Northwest Nazarene University left Boise to visit London, Amsterdam, and



Students in the photo from left to right are Jasmine Kreizenbeck, Rick D'Ambrosio, Angie Fisch and Brian Jennings.

Other students who traveled were Michelle Goldie, Judy Quick, Greg Wells, and Glenn Wiedmeier. Faculty traveling with guest professor Dr. Ken Armstrong from Anderson University were Dr. Ron Galloway, Dr. Larry McMillin and Dr. Bill Russell.

Barcelona for their Strategic Management International trip. This is the capstone course for students working towards a Master of Business Administration. Classes are conducted each day where students present, interact in groups, and hear lectures from a guest professor. Visits to such places as Price Forbes Brokers & Lloyds of London, Harrod's Department Store, Rio Tinto Mines, and Aalsmeer Flower Market immerse the students in the business world and culture. Students also visited Windsor Palace, Bath & Stonehenge, the British National Museum, and many other places of interest.

The next MBA trip is planned for summer 2006 to Korea and China from July 20-Aug. 2.

Regional Science Conference Hosted On Campus

The campus buzzed with activity Nov. 11 and 12 while the School of Health and Science hosted Murdock College Science Research's 14th Annual Regional Conference on Undergraduate Research. Approximately 370 participants from 30 private colleges and universities across the Northwest participated in the conference. Undergraduate students displayed 167 poster presentations of their research from a variety of scientific fields including biology, chemistry, engineering and computer science for students, professors, and professionals alike to view.

NNU science majors gave oral presentations: Karen Diener (Great Falls, MT) on "Using Tissue Microarray (TMA) Increases the Productivity of Immunohistochemistry when Searching for Cancer Markers," and Natalie Smith (Greenleaf, ID) on

"Rotaxane-based Molecular Switches."

The keynote presentation, "Biophysical and Ecological Determinants of Maximum Tree Height," was given by Dr. George Koch of Northern Arizona University.

Expanded Library Catalog

NNU announced the development of a shared library catalog with Albertson College of Idaho in January. This joint effort of NNU's John E. Riley Library and ACI's N. L. Terteling Library almost doubles the number of resources easily available through the catalog, allowing students, staff, and faculty of either institution to checkout materials from both libraries.

NNU Library Director Sharon Bull said, "This is an exciting project between two neighboring institutions." Work began in the fall of 2005 with the

upgrade of hardware and software and the merging of the two libraries' data, the result being a more user-friendly online library catalog. To experience the shared library catalog visit <http://librarycatalogs.nnu.edu>.

Signatures Needed

Can you help the Office of Academic Affairs with a detective project? OAA wants to display the pictures of each previous academic dean, including a copy of each deans' signature. OAA has signatures for all of the deans but two: G. Arnold Hodgkin, who served from 1916-1917 and Ralph Allison, who served from 1943-1946. If you have a document with either signature, please contact Julie Wiebe in the Office of Academic Affairs at 208-467-8539 or jjwiebe@nnu.edu.

NNU Welcomes New Faculty 2005-06



Jim Bader, Ph.D., director for student teaching, formerly a principal, superintendent and director of adult teacher licensing programs, taught for 32 years.



Kathy Burns, professor in the academic support center, a '66 alumnus, taught for 25 years and served as an NNU resident director for eight years.



Carol Bett, professor of nursing, is an ordained deacon of the Nazarene Church and taught for 18 years in Papua New Guinea.



Amanda Hamilton, professor of art, taught in Calif. for five years before coming to NNU; latest works include drawings, photography & explorations in video.



David & Carisa Blowers, missionaries in residence, served in Haiti for 13 years working with Nazarene Compassionate Ministries.



Lisa Kinnaman, professor of education, a '98 alumnus, taught history for six years and has an endorsement in

constitutional studies. She is currently pursuing a doctorate.



Cherie Richards, professor of nursing, served as a registered nurse and is specialized in labor and delivery, pediatrics, lactation, and maternal child health.



Ron Strohmeier, Ph.D., professor of biology, has a research focus in Alzheimer's disease and a teaching focus in immunology, genetics, and molecular biology.

Tyler Gilmore with Oakland Raiders

By Chad Frostrand, class of 2003

Just one month before his senior year at NNU, Tyler Gilmore (Salem, OR) found himself taping the ankles of Randy Moss during the first day of the Oakland Raiders' training camp.

"I'm positive it was a God thing," Tyler said of his selection to be one of the Raiders' six athletic training interns, since he knew there would be hundreds of applicants.



Tyler trains Justin Parish at NNU.

"felt it right to call him."

Shortly thereafter Tyler found himself living next door to a hundred professional football athletes and working with team doctors, chiropractors, and internists, in addition to the Raiders' three athletic trainers. Since the lifestyle of many professional athletes is different from Tyler's, the environment was contrary to his usual one. However, Tyler found support for his faith with a fellow intern who was also a Christian. As roommates, the two developed a great friendship. When other interns headed out to party, they would stay behind. As Tyler stated, "God knew we needed each other to lean on."

One of Tyler's favorite experiences during the internship

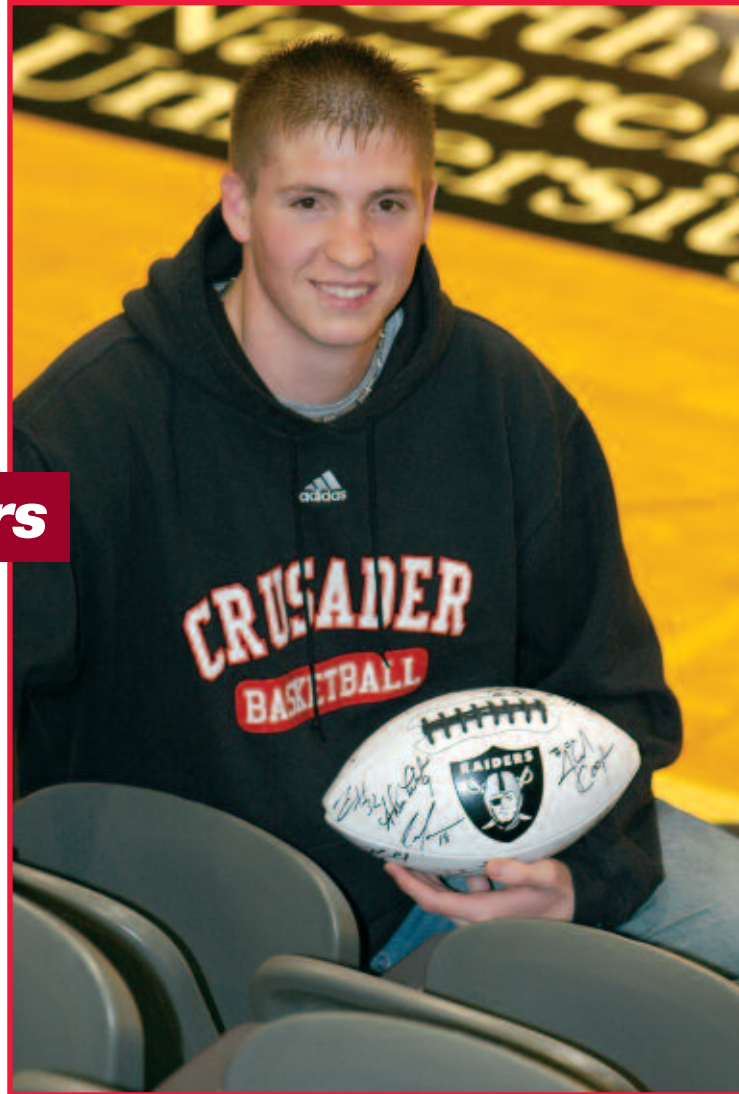
To his surprise, in June 2005 Scott Touchet, the Oakland Raiders' rehab specialist, called saying that "just by chance" Tyler's application had ended up on his desk. Touchet then informed him it was because Tyler attended a Nazarene university that he

actually began as a disappointment. Four of the six interns were to attend Oakland's pre-season game in Houston; Tyler wanted to go, but his name was drawn to stay behind. "I thought it was going to be the worst experience ever, and I was disappointed," Tyler said. However, the top-rated punter in the league, Shane Lechler, had been injured just a few days prior and was not able to make the trip either. Tyler was assigned to work one-on-one with the punter! "It taught me a lot about growing up in a situation because I didn't have a supervisor to lean on and had to handle problems on my own," Tyler said.

One day after practice Lechler hung back to shake Tyler's hand and say that he looked forward to seeing him in the NFL someday. With the handshake came a \$100 tip. Tyler learned later that his Christian faith and values were also observed by back-up quarterback Marques Tuiasosopo and wide receiver Jerry Porter.

Tyler is incredibly grateful for the invaluable experience and knowledge he gained, but perhaps the most important lesson he realized is to believe in himself. "No matter who it is, just be confident in what you know," Tyler said. "An ankle job is no different on Randy Moss than it is on one of NNU's athletes."

Tyler will graduate in May 2006 with a degree in pre-physical therapy, and plans to go on to grad school. "No goal is too big," he said, "and God will get you where He wants you to be."



Coach Tim Hills brings his philosophy to NNU

"Bible, Books, Basketball, and Babes...And keep it in that order."

by Craig Stensgaard,
NNU Sports Information Director

That's "The Four B's," the recruiting and coaching philosophy that NNU men's basketball coach Tim Hills developed over 25 years ago while driving somewhere in Oregon recruiting.

"It really lightens the tension in the air when you are recruiting in an athlete's home. You tell them 'The Four B's', and everyone gets a little chuckle, and they understand exactly where you are coming from," Hills comments on his approach.

A collegiate head coach since the age of 23, Coach Hills brought 567 wins and his 'Four B's' to Nampa this past summer after accepting the Crusader head coaching job in May.

"We start with the Bible, because your spiritual life is the biggest decision you are going to have to make in your life. What are you going to do with the Lord? So we want a person to grow spiritually.

"The second 'B' is Books. You are at school because we want you to do well academically, get a good degree and get prepared to face the work force. Then you will be well prepared when you leave here.

"The third 'B' is Basketball. We want you to be a good ball player and have a good experience while you are here, play on some winning teams, and have some fun.

"The fourth 'B' is Babes. We hope you find your wife here and that she's a neat lady, but we want relationships to be kept in perspective," Hills chuckled as he explained his philosophy.

The son of a preacher, Hills was born in Wellsboro, Pa., and was just five years old when his mother died of cancer. About one year later his father remarried and moved West to Wenatchee, Wash., taking small churches throughout the west, evidenced by the fact that Hills attended three grade schools, two junior highs, and two different high schools while growing up.

"I accepted Christ as my Savior at an early age, was baptized at age 11, raised in a Christian home, and have been around the church all my life. However, it was after college at Western Baptist Bible College and getting married that I turned a corner spiritually."

Coach Hills credits his father and his college basketball coach,

Jim Huckaby, as being two major influences in his life.

"While I was in college, we actually went out on little 'mission trips' on Sundays. Sometimes we spoke at a Sunday school class on what they called the 'Athletic Gospel Team,' and all the guys on our team were there. A couple times we would be standing up there saying things we were supposed to say but we weren't really living it, so then we would get that guilty feeling. You know, we should have that feeling if we aren't living right.

"So Coach Huckaby and those experiences were a huge influence in my life." This is the same influence that Coach Hills hopes to provide to his players at NNU...and it begins with his "Four B's."

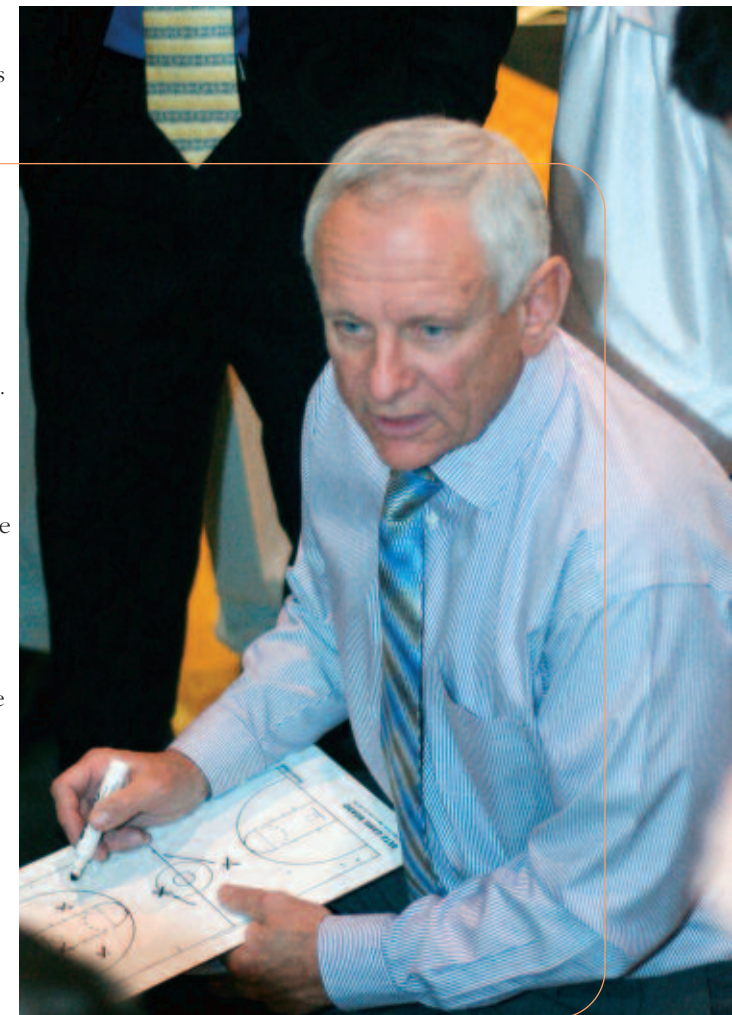




Photo: Paul Middleton

THE MEASURE OF A MAN

Airplane Inventor Invests in Lives

By Judy Rasmussen, director of The Thomas Foundation



The measure of a man can be seen by taking a look at his life and his actions. Harold Thomas models his actions on a deep awareness of and a grateful heart for God's great sacrifice of His Son that we might know and enjoy Him for eternity.

John 3:16 remains Harold's cherished verse, and he smiles when contemplating such a gift to us as Jesus Christ.

Harold was born in Glens Ferry, Idaho, nearly eighty years ago. He eventually settled in Nampa, attending Nampa High School and then the University of Idaho. The Navy gave him training as a meteorologist, and the University provided the learning ground for a degree in forestry.

After marrying the love of his life, Phyllis Swayne, Harold began a wholesale lumber company and established a partnership with Art Troutner. Together they led Trus Joist from a business of two founding employees to a company with 4,000 employees.

Harold and Phyllis raised three sons, and have eight grandchildren and a great-grandchild. A pilot, Harold has enjoyed flying his family into their ranch in the Salmon River Valley. This ranch has been turned into a place of respite for those in full-time Christian service, and has become a secondary mission of The Thomas Foundation, which provides financial assistance to

individuals and organizations actively involved in evangelism and discipleship in the building of Christ's Church.

Harold's vision for further impacting remote places with God's love and Word became the impetus for an extraordinary plan to build a plane that would replace aging aircraft with one that literally revolutionizes missionary flying. A wonderful facility



Photo: David Voetmann

"I bring an offering of worship to my King;
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing;
Jesus may You receive the honor that You're due;
O Lord I bring an offering to You."

was built in Sandpoint, Idaho, to facilitate the first planes going to missions by 2006. A quick peek at www.questaircraft.com will testify to what can happen when Christians pray and then follow through as led. What was called the impossible dream has led to the Kodiak airplane, on its way to providing

evangelistic opportunity to isolated people, along with meeting their physical needs.

Harold has directed his strong work ethic and unwavering determination towards Kingdom-building opportunities. A song written by Paul Baloche, "Offering," is sung in many churches. Together and in service to Him, Harold and Phyllis Thomas have made their lives and all they have an offering to their King. They would challenge you to do the same. With thankful hearts we can all give our lives as an offering back to the Savior, responding in love and obedience to that to which we are called.

Swayne Auditorium in the Brandt Fine Arts Center is named in honor of the family of Phyllis (Swayne) Thomas. Harold Thomas has served on the NNU Foundation Board of Directors since 1991.



ENRICHING LIVES

Dave & Pam Mangum

By Michael Wiebe, class of 1972

"Jesus and Mrs. Jesus" are how the people of Idaho refer to Dave and Pam Mangum during the Lenten and Easter seasons. After each *No Greater Love* pageant performance, they can be found standing in the foyer greeting the many children who have come to "see Jesus" at the First Church of the Nazarene.

As their music pastor for the past sixteen years, I have been impressed with Dave's and Pam's unwavering dedication to their local church and the annual Easter pageant. No task is too menial; they help with everything from choir rehearsal and set-up to tear-down with equal enthusiasm and humility. Bette Dale Moore, the pageant's creator and drama director, says of Dave, "His talent as a singer and an actor is unsurpassed. But what makes Dave even more unique is his total humility and gentleness of spirit." Pam is always quietly at Dave's side, supporting his drama ministry, singing in the choir, and singing with him at many events in the Treasure Valley.

Dave and Pam met at NNC, married, graduated with the class of '73, and moved to the Alaskan frontier town of Emmonak to teach. Pam taught first grade and Dave fourth through sixth. In

1975 they moved back to Nampa and began teaching in the Melba school system, where they continue today.

In addition to their teaching responsibilities, Dave and Pam have long been involved in school sports, with Dave coaching volleyball and track, and Pam keeping all the stats. Many former student athletes keep in touch with the Mangums, often inviting them to sing at graduations, weddings, and baby dedications. "Continuing relationships with our students over the years is one the best parts of our jobs as teachers," says Dave. Former student Michelle Hayes describes Dave as a "memorable teacher, coach, and friend, who is also a pillar of spiritual strength that I can always look up to. I hope someday to realize the potential in others as masterfully as he did with me."



Photo: Adam Watkins

To Coach Dad Mangum—
"Memorable teacher, coach,
and friend, who is also a pillar
of spiritual strength that I can
always look up to." —Michelle Hayes

In December 2005 Dave was named Volleyball Coach of the Year for his district. A recent track team of Dave's gave him a trophy with the inscription "To Coach Dad Mangum" since he has been known to have "fatherly" talks with his athletes, encouraging them to live high moral standards.

No Greater Love has allowed Pam to witness to her fellow teachers at Melba. Although one teacher wasn't interested in Christianity, she went to see Dave and Pam in a "production." She had known about the Baby Jesus of Christmas, but had never heard the Easter story. She started asking questions, and eventually she gave her heart to Jesus.

Without a doubt, Dave and Pam Mangum have been positive role models and mentors for hundreds of students over the last three decades through their responsibilities in the Melba school system and *No Greater Love*. Teachers, friends, coaches, and mentors—the Mangums are all of these. They are also living examples of the love of Jesus impacting their community!

1960s

Jerry -63- and Brenda (Urwin) -63- Wilson have retired and moved to Pasco, Wash. Jerry spent 18 years as Spanish faculty at Point Loma Nazarene University. **Paul -66- and Trueline -64- Taylor** moved from Bremerton to Richland, Wash. Paul retired from 37 years of government service (IRS, Alaska DOR, and US Navy) He spent the last 19 years as the civilian Public Affairs Officer at the US Navy’s Trident Submarine Base in Bangor, Wash.

1970s

Steve Smylie -76- is finishing his fourth term as an Idaho Representative. Steve and his wife Marsha live in Boise, where she is a senior department specialist in the Boise City Building Department.

1980s

Joseph McMahan -80- has reached Supervisory Candidate Status with the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education (ACPE), which is a step toward full certification as an ACPE Supervisor. **Tim -83- and Cheri (Doane) -83- Hubbard** and their family of six hold the pastorate position of a community church in Smith’s Ferry, Idaho. Friends can catch up with them at faithwalk@direcway.com. **David Saranto -83-** has been a junior high teacher for 19 years and was named among “Who’s Who of American Teachers” in 2003 and 2004. He has also spent 9 years as a wild lands firefighter, and is soon to be a volunteer structural firefighter. **Dianne (Shank) Anderson -85-** and her husband Ted live in San Diego where they are both professors at Point Loma Nazarene University. Ted is the Kinesiology department chair and Dianne teaches in the biology department and is

the director of the new graduate program in biology designed for middle and high school teachers set to begin in summer 2006. Ted and Dianne have two children, Tori (16) and Axel (14).

1990s

Brenda Cowley -90-, a Utah theatrical artist, has written an original play “Shear Luck.” The world premier of this musical will be at the Grand Theatre in Salt Lake City March 10-25, 2006. Set in a hair salon, this delightful and crazy musical with whimsical characters, maniacal scissors, and dreams of tomorrow is a hilarious musical of magic, hope, and the art of hairdressing. **Steve Fairbanks -95-** graduated with high honors from Asia-Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary in Manila, Philippines in April 2005. He and Tamara, along with their two children—Indah Grace and Elijah—are living in Yogyakarta, Indonesia as Global Missionaries. They currently maintain a web presence at www.doeverythinginlove.com to help keep family and friends up-to-date. **Joel -95- and Sarah (DeBoard) Marion -95-** are living in San Diego, Calif., with their son Jayden. Sarah is professor of psychology at Point Loma Nazarene University following a two year post-doctoral fellowship in neuropsychology at UCLA. **Jamie (Calman) Krzykowski -96-** is currently working on a PhD in nutrition with aspirations of becoming a full-time college professor in kinesiology and/or nutrition. **Daniel -97- and Melissa (Swank) -97- Pape** have moved their family to the Philippines for a year of volunteer mission work. **Karl -97- and Julia (Hoffman) -98- Ganske** have moved to Busingen, Switzerland from Manchester, England, where they are teaching theology and piano respectively

at European Nazarene College. The couple plans to return to the United States in the spring. Karl is still enrolled as a doctoral student at the University of Manchester in England, and Julia is a doctoral student at the University of Northern Colo.. **Joseph -98- and Kristen (Madsen) -98- Arnold** have accepted the youth pastorate in Kalispell, Montana. They have spent the past 6 years as youth pastors at the Westchester Church of the Nazarene in Westchester, Pa. The Arnolds have two children, Charity and Caleb. **Sarah (Tucker) Colletti -98-** and husband, Matt are living in Cambria, Calif., where Matt manages a family-owned drug and gift store, and Sarah is a stay at home mom to daughter Hannah.

2000s

Brent Gould -00- is currently working as a developmental specialist with a company providing service to children and adults with developmental disabilities. Previously he studied physical therapy at Idaho State University. **James -00- and Sueanne (Mauler) -00- Skeen** are living in the Kansas City area where Jimmy is in his third year of seminary and working full time as a youth pastor in Harrisonville, Mo. Sueanne is presently working for the Church of the Nazarene Foundation. **Michelle Wisecaver -00-** is working as intern ministries assistant in the Office of Spiritual Development at Point Loma Nazarene University. She organizes 7-10 short term student mission trips each year. **Sara (Cunningham) Falk -02-** and husband Joshua both graduated from Nazarene Theological Seminary in May 2005. They are presently serving as volunteers in Sierra Leone with Nazarene missionaries, Paul and Sharon Martin.

Debbie Finkbeiner -05- spent the fall of 2005 as an intern in the Washington D.C. office of Senator Larry Craig working in the area of agriculture. **Ben Stecker -05-** is also serving as intern in the office of Senator Craig, learning about daily operations of the Senate.

MILESTONES
MARRIAGES

Wilson Wanene -04- and Rebecca Wambui on Jan. 1, 2005 in Nairobi, Kenya.

Angela Inselman -97- and Sean Battle on Feb. 11, 2005 in Seattle.

Sandra Loughmiller -00- and Jose Urbina on June 18, 2005 in Caracas, Venezuela, where they will make their home.

Heather Miller -05- and Ronnie Miller on July 1, 2005 in Salem, Ore.

Andrea Mattei -04- and Seth Cook -06- July 23, 2005 in Nampa

Denise Eddy -03- and Steve Ayers on Aug. 5, 2005 in Nampa.

Joshua Smith -03- and Brenna Olson -02- on

Aug. 13, 2005 in Salem, Ore..

Jeffrey Stockett -03- and Bethany Kuykendall -05- on Sept. 3, 2005 in Nampa.

Louise Free -03- and Jeremy Goodwin on Sept. 4, 2005 in Colo. Springs, Colo.

BIRTHS

Ella Grace on Sept. 9, 2004 to Alex and **Rebecca (Maile) -03- Macdonald**.

Elijah Steven on Dec. 3, 2004 to **Steve -95-** and Tamara **Fairbanks**, joining sister Indah Grace.

Isaac Nathanael on Dec. 10, 2004 to **Ken -98-** and Courtney **Finkbeiner**.

Luke Charles on Feb. 25, 2005 to **Steven -01-** and Christina **Johnson**, joining brother Ethan.

Audrey Mae on March 3, 2005 to **Brian**

-96- and Angie (Secord) -96- Bartlow, joining siblings Ally and Parker.

Jeffrey Lynn Oscar III on March 10, 2005 to Jeff Hoskins and **Julie (Scofield) Allyn -99-**, joining brother Thaddaeus Lawrence.

Connor Bobby on March 14, 2005 to Mervin and **Molly (Rogers) -02- Hanover**.

Brenna Avery on April 3, 2005 to **Curt -01- and KayLynn (Barnick) -02- Pentecost**.

Donovan George on May 12, 2005 to **Glenn -94- and Kristen (Thiederman) -98- Lacey**, joining big brother Alexander Scott, born Jan. 2004.

Jake Thomas on May 13, 2005 to **Scott -92-** and Jerilyn **Rasmussen**, joining brother Ian.

Marcus Timothy on May 25, 2005 to **Timothy -89-** and Christie **Garman**.

Peyton Joy on July 1, 2005 to **Brock -98- and Jamie (Hammock) -98- Ledbetter**, joining sister Jordan and brother Marshall.

Harvey Aidan on July 7, 2005 to **Harvey and Heather (Hull) -89- Hart**.

Elysabeth Cate on July 19, 2005 to Chris and Dawn **(Powell) -00- Peed**.

Salma Rabeya on July 22, 2005 to Azfar and **Melissa (Tennyson) -00- Hussain**.

Brenna Rachel on July 31, 2005 to Douglas and **Kyla (Edelman) -00- Kay**, joining sister Kallie.

Ainsley Grace on Aug.1, 2005 to **Erik -97- and Tracy (Rummer) -00- Quissell**.

Hannah Catherine on Aug. 8, 2005 to Matthew and **Sarah (Tucker) -98- Colletti**.

John Matthew on Aug. 15, 2005 to **Tim -83- and Cheri (Doane) -83- Hubbard**, joining siblings Laura (16), Timothy (11), Julia (9), Stephen (7), and David (4).



Cook-Mattei



Joshua Smith & Brenna Olson



Sandra Loughmiller & Jose Urbina



Angela Inselman & Sean Battle



Louise Free & Jeremy Goodwin

ALUMNI WEEKEND—May 12 and 13 is a time of celebration for the Class of 2006 and the Class of 1956. The Class of 1956 will celebrate their 50-year reunion and will be inducted into NNU’s “Golden Grad Club.” Of special significance for these Golden Grads is their participation in commencement by serving as the honor guard for the 2006 graduating class. An Alumni & Friends chapel is scheduled for Fri. morning, which follows reunion brunches for the decade of the 40s and the classes of 1951 and 1956. A complete schedule is available at www.nnu.edu/alumni or by phone at (800) 654-2411.

Natalie Paige on Aug. 18, 2005 to John -00- and Karen (Lewis) -00- Burton.

Ella Grace on Sept. 2, 2005 to Gary -98- and Heather (Tompkins) -98- McKean.

Adysenn Elise on Sept. 14, 2005 to Brian -01- and Chryste (Anderson) -99- VanManen, joining big brother Bryce.

Asiana Sofia on Sept. 20, 2005 to Enrique -93- and Chona Guang.

Hunter Ramez on Sept. 30, 2005 to Ramez and Heather (Larson) -99- Farag

Ellinor Elaine on Oct. 11, 2005 to Roger Sonnichsen and Anita Waller -86-.

Kaden William on Oct. 16, 2005 to Joseph -00- and Tricia (Wiebe) -00- Lanham, joining sister Mikayla Jo.

Sydney on Oct. 18, 2005 to Mark and Jamie (Calman) -96- Kryzkowski, joining sister Savannah.

Andrew Stephen on Nov. 6, 2005 to Chris -04- and Stephanie (Wirick) -01- Tiner, joining sister Kadee.

Morley Jacob on Nov. 15, 2005 to Tim and Suzanne (Clark) -93- Anstine.

DEATHS

Henrietta (Hale) Christenson -37- on May 26, 2005 in Escondido, Calif.

Dean Wilson (48) on July 21, 2005 in Stockton, Calif.

Beatrice (Comstock) Cunningham -37- on Sept. 8, 2005 in Nampa, Idaho.

Lillie (Matthews) Reed -43- on Sept. 13, 2005 in Nampa, Idaho.

Eleanor (Perkins) Waller -49- on Sept. 29, 2005 in Nampa, Idaho.

Don Keller -71- on Oct. 7, 2005 in Portland, Ore.

Brenda (Wells) Crowfoot -79- on Oct. 13, 2005 in Estes Park, Colo.

Merrie “Joy” (Harker) Hill -74- on Oct. 24, 2005, Long Beach, Calif.

Hilda (Bartole) Kjonaas -37- on Oct. 24, 2005, Nampa, Idaho.

Mike Lemont -74- on Oct. 24, 2005, Ceres, Calif.

Flora Hegarty -42- on Oct. 25, 2005, Ashland, Ore.

Gladys (Hunter) Needles -34- on Oct. 26, 2005, Yuma, Ariz.



Adysenn VanManen



Kaden Lanham



Hunter Farag



Andrew Tiner



Ella McKean



Marcus Garman



Connor Hanover



Ainsley Quissell



Brenna Pentecost



Salma Hussain



Elijah & Indah Fairbanks



Ella Macdonald



Natalie Burton

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E-mail your nomination(s) to Darl Bruner, dlbruner@nnu.edu, including the reason(s) the nominee(s) are worthy of this recognition.

CALENDAR

MARCH 2006

- 7 Baseball @ Albertson (Caldwell)
- 8-10 Board of Trustees
- 10-11 Softball @ Western Oregon (Monmouth)
- 10-11 District Main Event & Aunmni Board
- 10-14 Spring Musical
- 16 7 p.m. John Wesley & University Lecture Series - BC
- 16-17 Track @ Whitworth Combined (Spokane)
- 17 8 p.m. Boise Philharmonic – BC
- 17-18 Baseball @ Montana-State Billings (Billings)
- 18 Track @ Dusty Lane Invitational (Spokane)
- 20-24 Senior Sanner Sermon Week
- 25 Track @ Eastern Oregon (LaGrande)
- 25-31 Spring Break
- 28 Baseball @ Utah Valley State (Orem)
- 31 Foundation Board of Directors

APRIL 2006

- 1 Foundation Board of Directors
- 1 Baseball @ ACI (Caldwell)
- 4-6 Junior Class Play
- 6-8 Nazarene Student Leadership Conference
- 6-8 Softball @ Humboldt State (Arcata)
- 7-8 Baseball @ Central Washington (Ellensburg)
- 10-13 Career Week
- 13 7 p.m. Rick Chameic-Case Lecture - SLH
- 15 Track @ Central Washington Invitational (Ellensburg)
- 16-17 Easter & Student Holiday
- 18 Softball @ ACI (Caldwell)
- 21 8 p.m. Boise Philharmonic - BC
- 21-22 Baseball @ Western Oregon (Monmouth)
- 22 Track @ Washington State Invitational (Pullman)
- 24-25 Track @ GNAC Combined Events (Monmouth)
- 27 8 p.m. Concert Band Concert – SA
- 29 Track @ Boise State Last Chance Meet (Boise)
- 28-29 Baseball @ St. Martin’s (Lacey)
- 28-30 Regional Main Event
- 30 7:30 p.m. Reunion Zero Dinner – BC Lobby

MAY 2006

- 4-5 Softball @ Western Washington (Bellingham)
- 6 Track @ GNAC Championships (Monmouth)
- 6 Softball @ St Martin’ (Lacey)
- 12 Alumni Reunion Brunches & Alumni Chapel
- 12 5:30 p.m. Alumni & Friends Banquet
- 13 10 a.m. Baccalaureate @ Idaho Center
- 13 3 p.m. Commencement @ Idaho Center

BC - Brandt Center, SA - Swayne Auditorium, SLH - Science Lecture Hall

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SCHOLARSHIPS

—the hinge

By Mark J. Wheeler, MBA, director, major donor relations

Nothing speaks more clearly to the nature and character of Northwest Nazarene University than the lives of its students. Both present and past, they are the ones who continue to validate the mission as they leave this place of learning, go out into their respective fields of influence, and initiate change. Our university has been abundantly blessed over the years with many

provide provision for their dream. They believed the education they envisioned was worth the sacrifice and that it would change lives. Today our vision and commitment to the life-changing effect of Christian education remains the same. Northwest Nazarene University has grown in scope and stature, yet our purpose and commitment to God's daily provision and direction in the lives of our students remains unchanged. We continue to prepare our




“ . . . They believed the education they envisioned was worth the sacrifice and that it would change lives.”

Mark Wheeler counsels scholarship recipients.

exceptional young men and women as students. Many of these alumni have chosen to fund scholarships as a way of honoring a loved one or ensuring that future generations of students have the advantage of an NNU education. As our current school year draws to a close, it seems appropriate to look briefly at the year just passed and to what the year ahead holds for scholarship giving. Because of the faithful support of so many, our past fiscal year was very strong. A total of 25 new scholarships were endowed, and giving for all scholarships exceeded \$1,800,000! We have continued fundraising for the Student Ministerial Scholarship, which now totals \$1,130,000, leaving us to raise only \$70,000 more to reach our 1.2 million dollar goal. Ninety-three years ago a group of visionary men and women stood on a bare piece of ground in southwest Idaho and dreamed of a Christian school for their children. In those early days they walked moment by moment, trusting that God would


students to be significant in a world that needs them greatly. Parents still entrust their children to us at great personal sacrifice because they, too, believe in the benefits produced here. When you give to a current or endowed scholarship at NNU, we can assure you of the life-changing nature of your gift and the foundational role it plays in providing for our students. My pastor recently shared these words of Ralph Sockman: “The hinge of history is on the door of a Bethlehem stable.” In large measure the hinge of the future for many of our students rests in a scholarship. I am told by our admissions office that many of the students who are unable to attend NNU often lack only \$500-\$1,000 to be able to attend NNU. If you have been impacted by NNU or one of its faculty, staff, or students, would you please consider giving to a current scholarship or helping fund a new scholarship? We are so grateful for all that has been given by so many over the years. Please know that your partnership with our students through scholarships is not taken for granted.

NNU Alumni Visa Card



With the joint efforts of The NNU Alumni Association and Northwest Christian Credit Union, over \$30,000 was given this year to worthy students like Stephanie. The Alumni Scholarship Fund makes gifts to students in need and encourages your participation. Here is an opportunity to provide scholarships to students in need of funding. It is easy with the NNU Alumni Visa Card. One percent of each purchase goes to the Alumni Scholarship fund. Join us in supporting worthy students in their pursuit of Christian education.

Stephanie Bartlow—
“Receiving the Alumni Scholarship has played an important role in allowing me to attend Northwest Nazarene University. Thanks to the financial help I get from it and other scholarships, I am able to put my energy into academics, school clubs, choirs, T.A. positions, and intramurals. These activities are part of what makes my experience at NNU both unique and complete. I am truly blessed to be able to come to NNU and interact with the students and professors who make NNU what it is. I love having the opportunity to be involved with students and activities outside of classes and work schedules. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and support!”



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