

OMEGA UPDATE

Our Omega 2016-2017 class is an incredibly strong group that God has brought together to achieve our goal of bridging the hand of the community to the hand of the church. Our mission-hearted team of 45 is heading to Poland for nearly a month at the end of April. Our four teams will be spreading across the country with the common goal of strengthening the reputation of the Church within the community and opening doors for further ministry.



Team A: serving at The Crossing (South Surrey) & Nightshift Street Ministries.

Team B: WestWinds Community Church & Nightshift Street Ministries



Team C: Living Waters Willoughby & Building 272 in Aldergrove

Team D: Christian Life Community Church Aldergrove & Building 272

Our goal this year as a class is to raise \$10,000 to install windows and doors to complete a community center in Opole, Poland. The believers in Opole have already begun outreaches to meet the needs in the community. Once the community center is completed (see *mock-up below*), there will be space for new programs and activities which will reach 150 people each week. Currently, we have raised approximately \$5,000. Omega wants to be a part of reaching this city of 120,000. If you are interested in partnering with us in this journey, email us at omega@summitpacific.ca.



COMING UP AT SUMMIT

"What are you doing in May?"

You could be studying in Uganda!

Earn credits toward your degree & tour this beautiful nation. Contact Kory Sorensen at ksorensen@summitpacific.ca for details!"



SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Pentecostal Preaching in a Post-Christian Culture
("The Power of Imagination to Transform Lives")
Professor: Dr. Mick Nelson | Dates: March 7, 9-11, 2017

You can find the course description on our website:
www.summitpacific.ca/graduatestudies/current.php



ALUMNI DINNER

Date: District Conference Tuesday, March 7, 2017

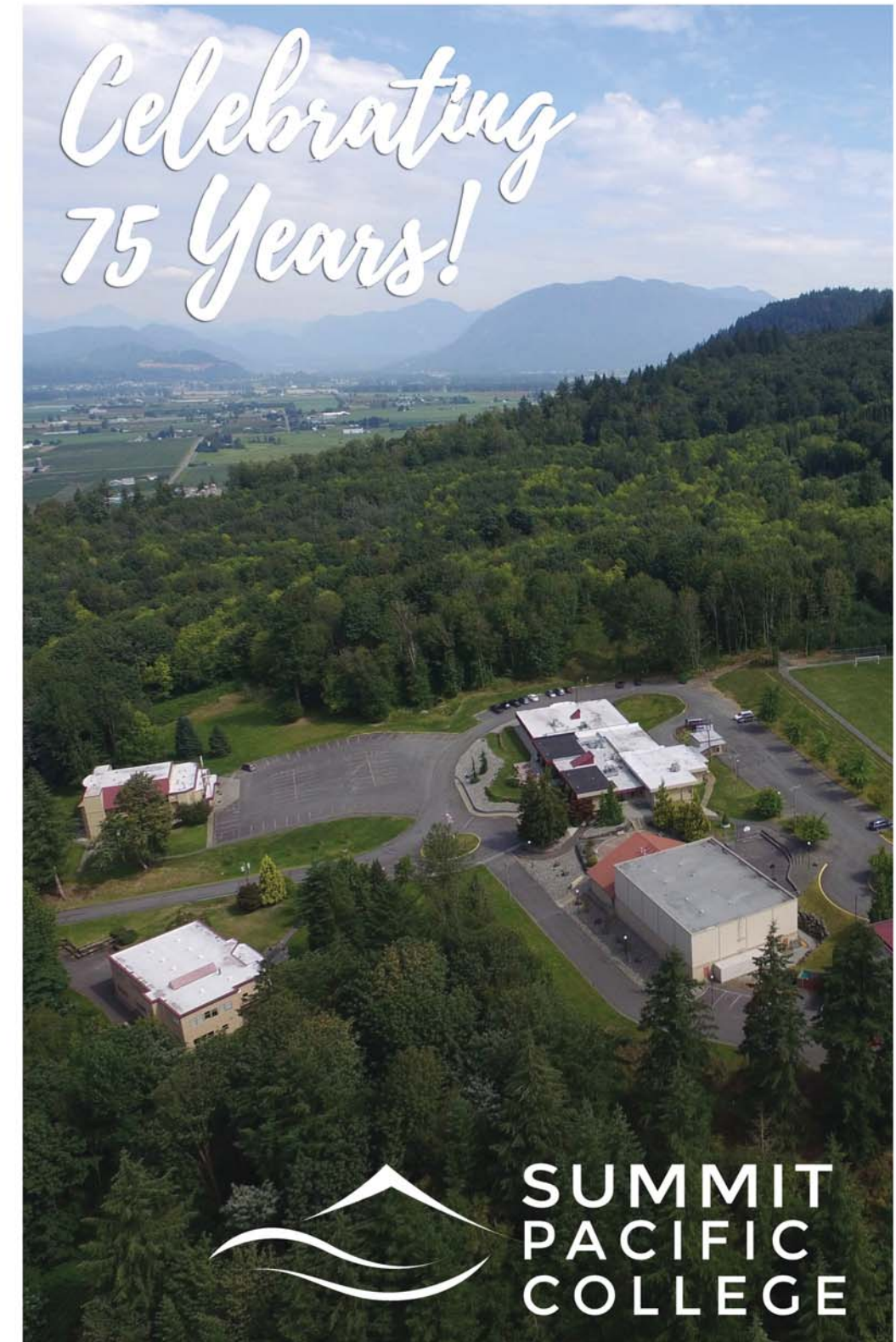
We will be hosting an Alumni Dinner at the College on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 during District Conference. Please see your Conference packet for details or call/email Summit to reserve your spot. Diane at pr@summitpacific.ca or 604-851-7237.



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THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

In Psalm 57, David unashamedly commits to giving thanks to God and "singing his praises among the nations (9)." In verse 10, he articulates the reason that his heart is so filled with praise. His thanksgiving is based upon his experience of God's character – in particular, God's steadfast love and faithfulness. These two parallel words point to God's self-giving love and his dependability. We can also echo David's exclamation of praise as we reflect upon His saving love in each of our lives, and recount the number of times and situations in which He has proven himself faithful to us.

This past September marked the beginning of our 75th academic year here at Summit Pacific College. Our beginnings were in 1941 at Glad Tidings Church in Victoria – we were called British Columbia Bible Institute back then. Our mandate was to be the ministerial training college for the British Columbia District of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. 1951 brought the College to the Lower Mainland, with a new campus on St. Mary's Ave in North Vancouver. In 1962 we became Western Pentecostal Bible College, and in 1974 we relocated to our present campus on Sumas Mountain in Abbotsford. We were renamed Summit Pacific College in 2004 by an act of the British Columbia Legislature. Over the past 75 years, we have released over 2,100 graduates and have seen many more students attend the College for one or two years. Summit's grads have been involved in full-time pastoral ministry, district leadership, global work, and a host of other people-helping professions. Summit Pacific College continues to have a local and a global impact through the ministries of our graduates and former students. Our mission statement says it best: "Summit Pacific College exists to Educate, Equip, and Enrich Christians for Spirit-empowered ministry in the church and in the world."

Throughout the past 75 years, the College family has experienced the love and faithfulness of God that David testified to in Psalm 57. The last 75 years have been made possible by Him, and we are so careful to give Him the glory for all He has done. The recognition of God's great faithfulness in days past gives us great hope for the future! We can truly say that there are great days ahead for the Summit family as we look to the vast number of opportunities (and even some challenges) that are before the church. We are dependent upon Him for vision, strength and empowering.

Between yesterday and tomorrow lies today. We are so thankful that 240 students are currently enrolled with us – in either full-time or part-time studies. Their classroom studies give them the biblical and academic grounding they will need to meet the challenges of ministry in a society that is growing more secular. Chapel services continue to be those moments where our students encounter the life-transforming presence of God. Weekly ministry opportunities give students practical skills and ministry wisdom that just cannot be found in the classroom. Our students are the church of today, and the leaders of the future.

Please continue to pray for Summit – our faculty, staff, and students. Pray for strength, wisdom and boldness to move into the next season that God has for us. Truly, with your continued support, the future is bright at Summit Pacific College!

SUMMIT AUCTION 2016



Our 20th annual dinner and auction was held at Broadway Church on October 30. We raised over \$80,000 for college operations thanks to our generous donors, our capable auction committee, and Doug Smith, our skilled auctioneer. The evening brought together friends from Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland and was a great success. Thank you and God bless you!

We would like to thank the team at Broadway Church for their outstanding commitment in hosting our auction for the past 12 years. They will be unable to host our event in the future, so we will be moving it to the Gaglardi Gymnasium at the college on September 30, 2017. Mark the date, and plan to join us for the auction and a tour of the campus.



LIFE AT SUMMIT