

## FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION



**LESTER & PAT MARKHAM** Pat and I met at WPBC in 1963 and were married shortly after graduation in 1966. I graduated on Friday and was the pastor in Squamish two days later on Sunday. After further studies in California, we pastored in Castlegar before joining the staff at WPBC in 1971. From there we went to Thailand for eight years and then returned to pastor in Calgary and Victoria. In 1989 I became the BC/Yukon District Superintendent and then became the Director of Missions in Mississauga. We later returned to B.C. to pastor

Nanaimo and then worked with our son, Bill, in Ontario. We returned to B.C. to retire. However, I am presently on staff at Surrey Pentecostal Assembly. In addition, Pat and I coordinate a Prayer initiative for BC/Yukon District and serve as National Prayer Coordinators for the PAOC. We have enjoyed serving the Lord because of the joy of seeing God change lives and because we believed it was what God wanted us to do. There have also been many unexpected blessings along the way, such as visits to numerous countries that have allowed us to meet God's family all around the world. These varied experiences have blessed and enriched our lives. Although we both have reached our seventh decade, we continue to be actively engaged in ministry. We both enjoy good health, which remains a blessing from our Heavenly Father. Ps. 91:1 *Those who live in the shelter of the most High, will find rest in the shadow of the almighty.*

## BILL & KARLENE MARKHAM

Karlene and I met on the first day of our Freshman years at Summit (1988). We were married in 1991. After we graduated we served as Youth Pastors in Quesnel from 1992-1995. Our first son, Reed, was born there. We moved to Ontario so that I could attend Tyndale Seminary (1995-1997). I graduated with my MTS. Our daughter Tessa was born here. We accepted the position of Omega



Director at Summit and had four wonderful years there (1997-2001). Our son Garrett was born there. We moved to St. Catharines, Ontario to Pastor at Central Community Church (Associate Pastor from 2001-2008 and Lead Pastor from 2008-present). Karlene is on staff as our Volunteer Coordinator. All three of our kids serve in different capacities at the church. We have seen this church grow from just over 400 to over 2,500 at our Weekend Experiences. My time as Omega Director inspired me with the truth that when we are completely committed to the call of God in our life, anything is possible. I had the joy of not only seeing young adults believe in a God who is great, but also who began to believe that He wanted to use them to change the world. My staff here at Central over the past 15 years has consisted of some of these students who are still working with me to fulfill the dream that God has placed us here to accomplish. If I have any encouragement for those who have graduated from Summit it would be this: Remember your first love. Remember the call that has been placed on your life. Do not let discouragement or setbacks knock you off course. It is never too late to return to what you know you should be doing. Be faithful until the end, because there is someone who needs to know what you have experienced...and that is the great news of what Jesus can do in restoring lives that have been broken by sin.

## GLOBAL TRIPS

### Zach Wylie

After eight months of physical, emotional, mental and spiritual preparation, 48 OMEGA bodies headed to Thailand. The 25 days of ministry with Imagine Thailand (a PAOC organization) can be summed up with one word – opportunity. Students had an opportunity to involve themselves in over 12,000 hours of volunteer service through grabbing the hands of local Thai communities and joining them with the hands of the local Thai Church. Our goal: to see people meet Jesus as their heads, hearts, and hands were impacted by His people's presence. We were involved in leading over twenty ESL camps (reaching over 6000 students); participating in a dozen churches; leading and serving in six youth, children's and pastors' camps and retreats; training a national youth team for an in-country missions trip; and the list goes on. In addition to serving, with your help we were able to raise \$18,000 to help build a learning center in Takua Pa, a town where one of our teams served. Thank you for your prayers and financial support – we couldn't have done this without you!

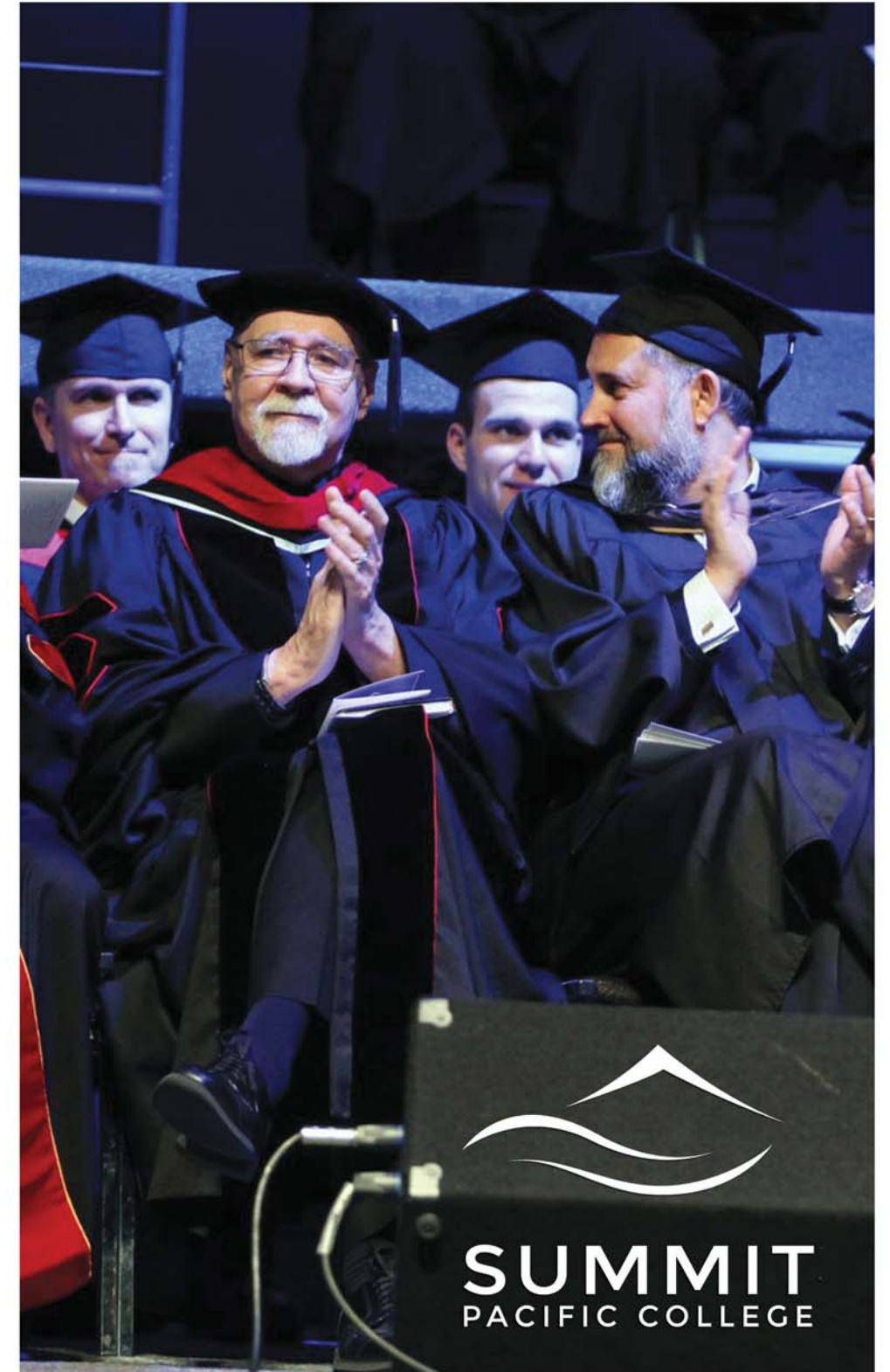


### Stephen Brown

The summer of 2016 got off to a busy start for some of the interns at summit! Myself, and a group of interns from Summit, headed to Africa only days after grad! Partnered with Classrooms For Africa (CFA), we were off to Kampala, Uganda where we made arrangements to do some site visits for CFA. After, we would

work and serve at Abetavu, a project that provides humanitarian and social aid to its local community. We all arrived by May 13th and right away our busy schedule started, for the first week we traveled around the country touring schools that CFA had opened. There was one school opening in particular that seemed to move all involved. It was in a village just outside of Kasese, on the Congo border. The region had been ravaged by war and political unrest, and hope for the future was almost non-existent. When CFA first came to the area they were the first to start rebuilding schools, providing fresh hope and new vision for the youth and kids of the village!

After a quick safari in the close by game park we continued up to Abetavu, in the Kampala area. We arrived right in the beginning of a nationwide school break, giving us the ability to work alongside local school's headmaster to help with some renovations! Also, we worked with Abetavu and their facilities to organize a day program to help keep the children of the village busy while they are not in school. We did this by teaching them short lessons, doing crafts, and playing lots of games! Seeing the life that this brought to each the the children's faces was life changing for our whole team! Myself and two other interns had to come back after three weeks due to the limited schedules, but we currently have four other interns still in Uganda until the end of June. Keep them in your prayers as they continue to serve and minister!





While the summer season is typically a little more relaxed, we have been pretty busy wrapping up the details of the spring graduation while preparing for the coming academic year. At graduation, we celebrated the achievement of 71 students, including 33 degree graduates and 31 Omega Global certificates. As well, at our graduation ceremonies we celebrated the contribution of Dr. Roger Stronstad who has fully retired from Summit Pacific College. The Board of Governors has renamed the directorship of the Biblical Theology program to the "Roger J. Stronstad Chair in Biblical Theology" – a fitting tribute to our friend and colleague's contribution to the college, and to the field of Pentecostal studies. Mr. Alf Deeley has been appointed to serve in this new position.

At the end of May, Rev. Clark Moran accepted the call to pastor Abbotsford Pentecostal Assembly. Rev. Kim Moran was appointed as the Associate Pastor there as well. The Morans will be starting their new roles on August 1 of this year, concluding their roles as Campus Pastors. We are appreciative of their season of ministry at Summit, and pray God's blessing on them as they return to local church ministry.

Starting July 1, we will be welcoming new staff members to assume some of the roles which became available as a result of some of the recent staff changes. Nathan Boldt, a 2016 graduate, is our new Director of Recruitment. Rev. Gavin Brisco will be concluding his ministry at First Ave Christian Assembly in Chilliwack to become one of our Campus pastors. Rev. Kim Quigley, who is currently serving at Kitchener Gospel Temple, will also serve as a Campus Pastor. Courtney Gray (grad 2015) is our new Registration and Admissions Assistant, and Josh Reynolds (grad 2016) is starting a new role in Media and Marketing. Welcome to the Summit team!

This September will mark the start of Summit Pacific College's 75th academic year. We will be highlighting this milestone at our annual Auction (October 29th) at Broadway Church. We are also anticipating an on-campus event in conjunction with our district conference in March 2017. It is gratifying to know that Summit graduates have faithfully served the cause of the gospel in local churches throughout the country, and in various ministry assignments world-wide. We give God the glory for the impact of all of our alumni as they work out God's calling in their various areas of service.

While we celebrate a great heritage, I believe that Summit's greatest days lie ahead. As our culture continues to become more pluralistic, we are committed to raising up growing leaders whose lives are marked by a passion for God's presence, a confidence in His word, and a love for people. Please pray for us to that end!



**NEW STAFF** (left to right)

**GAVIN BRISCO** (*Campus Pastor*) It's been a decade now since "Life on the Hill" at Summit. I graduated from Summit Pacific College in April 2006 with a BA in Religion, majoring in Youth Leadership. My wife Rebekah and I were married in August. Three weeks following our wedding, we moved to Chilliwack to begin ministry as Youth Pastor at First Ave Christian Assembly, and we have been there ever since. For the first nine years at First Ave, I led the Youth and Young Adults Ministry. You know it's been a while when students who were too young to be in our Youth Program are now students at Summit themselves. Since the spring of 2015, I have been giving leadership and oversight to Connect Group Ministry, First Impressions, Volunteer Development, Guest Assimilation and Children's Ministry.

I look forward to this new season of ministry, and for the privilege to pastor, care for, and equip our students and future pastors. The future is bright! Rebekah and I have one child, Seth (2), and we expecting our second child in the middle of December. Whoohoo!!!

**KIM QUIGLEY** (*Campus Pastor*) I am from Cambridge, Ontario, but in 2003 I made my way to Summit, graduating in 2006. That same summer I started my first pastoral position at Glad Tidings Church in Vancouver, where I was the Children's Pastor for three years. I then moved across the Fraser River to Richmond Pentecostal Church where I spent another three years as Children's Pastor. Wanting to continue my education and explore the role of chaplain, I moved back to Ontario in the summer of 2011 and started my Masters in 2012. While I was working on my degree, I was also serving part-time at Kitchener Gospel Temple. In the spring of 2015, I graduated from Wilfred Laurier University with a Masters of Divinity. Since graduating, I have been full-time at Kitchener Gospel Temple as the Assistant Pastor and a part-time chaplain at the local hospital. Now I make my way out to Abbotsford again! I am so excited to be a part of the Summit community in a new way!

**NATHAN BOLDT** (*Director of Recruitment*) With anticipation, I look ahead to the next stage of my life as I transition from being a student to becoming a staff member at Summit Pacific College. This past March I handed in my resume and was then invited to join the Summit team as the Director of Recruitment. I feel incredibly honoured to be a part of this team and to contribute to something that has so vastly impacted my own life. Summit plays a powerful role in training up the next generation of Christ followers, as I have personally experienced. I'm excited to get started in my part of contributing to this mission.

**COURTNEY GRAY** (*Registration & Admissions Assistant*) If you had told me a year ago that I would be working for Summit, I would have called you crazy! However, I love that I have joined the team here at Summit! This school was a huge part of my growth and who I am today, and I am so excited to assist and watch as Summit does this for both incoming students and returning students!

**JOSH REYNOLDS** (*Media & Marketing*) My three favourite places in the world are: the Summit cafeteria on #TacoTuesdays, the Gaglardi Gym on ball hockey nights, and Diane Demchuk's snack drawer. I truly love this school, and feel incredibly blessed and privileged to have a job that allows me to stick around!