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## **Five Years and Five Questions**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



The 2018-19 academic year marks my fifth year as Principal of The Presbyterian College. It has gone by very quickly! In 2014, we began a new strategic plan for the College with three

main goals: a capital campaign, a new Leadership Centre, and greater diversity within our student population. As I look back, I am thankful for what has been accomplished to date. We set a goal to raise \$1.75 million toward new initiatives at the College. Through the generosity of many, we have exceeded that goal and have just surpassed \$2 million. For a small college like The Presbyterian College, that has been a wonderful achievement.

In 2014, we said that we wanted a stronger focus on congregational leadership and therefore established the Leadership Centre. The Leadership Centre would focus on three things: mentoring new graduates, providing resources for congregational vitality, and providing theological reflection on faith and work. We now have approximately 40 people in our mentoring groups, meeting monthly by video conference and once a year at the College. As you

will see from this newsletter, we are well on our way to developing the other two areas.

You will also see the greater diversity in our student population. In many ways, The Presbyterian College is unique. The Montreal School of Theology, of which we are a member, is the only Englishspeaking Protestant seminary in the province of Quebec. We believe part of our mission is to open our doors to students from other Christian traditions here in Montreal. We have also been more intentional about building a global place of learning, believing that students from other parts of the world bring with them a rich tradition of learning and spirituality. We have much to learn from them. You will see some of these students highlighted in this newsletter.

Over these last five years, I have often referred to the five questions, Peter Block raises in his book, *The Answer to How is* Yes. In his book, Block lists the questions congregations or organizations often ask and then highlights five questions we seldom ask. The most common questions when change is proposed are: *How* do you do it? How long will it take? How much does it cost? How do you get these people to change? How do we measure it?

Block proposes five corresponding questions we would do well to ponder. What really matters to us? What commitment am I willing to make? What price am I willing to pay? How am I contributing to the problem I am concerned with? What measurement would have meaning to me? In this newsletter, you will find a focus on the latter set of questions. It is not that the first questions are superfluous. It's just that if they come too early in the process they rob us of the opportunity to ask the questions that speak to our spirit. In this newsletter we highlight those things that "really matter to us." Thank you to all who keep us in your prayers and who have supported us over these past five years.

> Dale Woods Principal

## Meet our Students—ChungChih Hong



ChungChih Hong and Looh Karo, with Enda and Kating. (Wearing a modern version of the traditional clothes of the Pangcah tribe.)

Inavaudia! (*Hello* in the language of Pinuyumayang) Very warm greetings from the Pinuyumayang people in Taiwan. My name is ChungChih Hong (my Pinuyamayang name is Ayah Dumaladas). I am from a little island in East Asia. When the Portuguese came there in the 17th century, they called it Formosa, which means the beautiful place. It is now called Taiwan.

With the blessing of God, my family and I are here for my studies. I am currently a Ph.D. student in the School of Religious Studies at McGill with a concentration in Gender and Women studies. I have called myself a church worker for the past 15 years since I began to work with my church, The Presbyterian Church in Taiwan. As a lay and female church worker (in order to equip myself for the mission of God) I spent two years in the Master of Arts in Theology at YuShan Theological College and Seminary, the only Indigenous Seminary in Taiwan. I would like to dedicate myself to the field of Indigenous and Christian studies, trying to understand the will of God for the indigenous people in Taiwan and how as an indigenous woman, I could contribute to my community and my church. This is my hope.

Pinuyumayang is an Indigenous group among the sixteen tribes in Taiwan. We are like the First Nations in Canada who have different history, culture, and language from the mainstream society. I am blessed to have my "Mr. Right," Looh Karo, who is from anther tribe, the Pangcah. It's our blessing that both

#### Inavaudia

Life is incredible as it always is! The sunshine and the wind bring grace Flying over the sea, the blessings never cease The way has been opened in front of me Slowly and carefully I walk onward Clouds and rains sometimes block the way With prayers, courage and wisdom granted, I never fear

The end is somewhere I do not see The promise of God is my guarantee Joy, sorrow, laughter and tears Life is great as it always is~ of Pangcah and Pinuyumayang tribes are matrilineal in the tradition, in which women are more respected and expected to have a role in leading our families and cooperating with men in the community's affairs. In other words, unlike the mainstream patriarchal society in Taiwan, Pinuyumayang and Pangcah women were entitled to take the same responsibilities as men. As the result, in our mixed-culture family, my son, Enda Hong (ten years old), follows my family heritage, while my four-month-old girl, Kating Looh, inherits her father's. My husband Looh has taken a one-year leave from his pastoral mission to accompany me here to be our family's "househusband." We are supported fully by our families.

Life here at The Presbyterian College, Montreal, has been wonderful and blessed. Even though it is our very first time to step on this land and to live in a multicultural community, we are accepted as part of the family. Every day, while both Enda and I enjoy our study in this beautiful city, Looh and Kating spend their time in this lovely campus and with the kind people. We know that we are in the hands of God who always guides and protects us, and we believe that our time here will be enriched and empowered until we return to serve our people according to God's will.

## **Students Engaging in Summer Ministries**

## Silvio Esteves—Williamsburg, Ontario



During my past summer internship, I was able to work at the Christian Reformed Church in Williamsburg, a small rural town of northeast Ontario. This church was organized in 1952, mostly by Dutch immigrant families, and even planted, in 1989, another church in the municipality of South Dundas of which Williamsburg is part. Williamsburg CRC is a beautiful church with a heartened community.

In so many ways I felt blessed to be part of that church. This was my very first pastoral experience, and it could not have been a better one. For ten weeks, not only did they welcome me into their home and at their table, they also trusted me with their worship service and visitations.

Canadians are famous worldwide for their politeness and civility. According to the World Happiness Report of 2017, the Netherlands and Canada occupy respectively the 6th and 7th places as one of the happiest countries in the world. A big component when considering levels of happiness among nations is the level of trust among its citizens and government.

In that way, I was more than blessed by this Dutch rooted community in Canada. Being foreign-born, I know it takes a lot of courage to welcome a student-minister from a different tradition, from another country, and with an accent they were not used to, and to trust that person with the spiritual teachings of the church. But that is what they did, with the utmost compassion and courtesy.

All throughout the Bible, there are teachings about welcoming the stranger or the immigrant. Williamsburg CRC showed me that they are living up to this Christian teaching. They demonstrate in loving ways, in each smile, in each conversation, that Christianity is an intrinsic and daily part of their lives.

May God keep and bless them!

## Enjei Achah—Edmonton, Alberta



This past summer, I spent eleven weeks working as a student-minister for the Edmonton-Lakeland Presbytery. I travelled throughout northern Alberta assisting congregations within the Presbytery. This helped me gain valuable experience leading worship and preaching, making pastoral visits, helping with Vacation Bible Camps and attending Session and Presbytery meetings. I also had the opportunity to undergo a training to intervene in a situation of opioid overdose. I spent one week serving as chaplain at Camp Kannawin, located near Red Deer, Alberta. This experience gave me the opportunity to work with different churches in the city and in rural and remote areas. Working with several different ministers helped me distinguish different ways of approaching ministry, which I feel will be quite beneficial for me in the future.

My summer was quite a busy one, but it helped me to get a sense of how busy ministry can be. Through this experience, my faith in God has grown and I feel reaffirmed in my calling to serve in ministry. Travelling throughout the province and meeting so many people has helped me to cultivate an openness towards others—showing Christ's love which always prevails in all circumstances. I am so grateful for the mission convener and the rest of the ministers who were so helpful to me as a student minister, to The Presbyterian College and The Presbyterian Church in Canada for the opportunity to serve in such a capacity.

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## **Forming Christian Community**



At The Presbyterian College we believe Christian community is one of the most significant means God uses for our own spiritual growth. As we do each year, The Presbyterian College launched the academic year 2018-19 with its annual retreat in the Laurentians. Again this year, the retreat brought our diverse student body together, providing the springboard for the strong and warm community that is core to life at the college.

What value do our students place on Christian community as fundamental to theological study? Here are a few comments:

"Having arrived in Montreal from Cameroon only two days earlier, The Presbyterian College fall retreat was the best thing I could have dreamed of. As I looked forward to a new page in my life, the opportunity to have a quiet space with God, along with fellow students and faculty before engaging in my academics was deeply significant for me. I am a lover of nature and the shore of Lake MacDonald was just the best place for me. Can't wait for another experience." —Theresia Binui Ndofor

"The fall retreat of gathering, sharing meals, worshipping, and reflecting on spirituality as a community of believers was an indispensable reminder that none of us are meant to do it alone. The exercise of being vulnerable and sharing one's testimony about when and how God became more than just a word in our personal experience. There is much power in confessing our faith as a community." As she comes to the last year of her studies, Clara Maranzano gets the last word:

"The fall retreats have been one of the highlights in seminary. Being all together for a weekend at the beginning of the academic year, in a peaceful, natural setting, and the opportunity to worship and get to know each other a little better is crucial for our sense of community in Christ. I have found nourishment, encouragement, and a time of enhanced gratitude towards God in each one of these retreats. I will miss them!"



—Enoch Lee

## Welcoming our New Chair of the Board: Jay Hewlin

Colleges are only as effective as their Boards and so we are delighted to introduce our new Chair of the Board, **Mr. Jay Hewlin**. Jay comes with a strong Christian faith, numerous skills and a passion to help the College achieve its

mission. Jay comes to us as an attorney and consultant, specializing in employment law, conflict resolution, managerial effectiveness, leadership, and contract negotiations. Jay's diverse clients include corporations, law firms, government agencies, and not-for-profits. Jay's counseling, training, and instruction facilitate organizational change, strategic human resource management, handling complaints of discrimination, mediation, and more generally, optimization

## Faith & Work Cohort—Helping the Church Connect the dots between their Faith and Work

By Doris Horan, Faith & Work Participant

In the 1980 movie, *Blues Brothers*, paroled convict Jake and his brother Elwood set out on "a mission from God" to save a Catholic orphanage from closing. Although we don't wear dark sunglasses, we do have an incognito group of people on a mission from God at The Presbyterian College!

One Friday night each month, a committed group of believers gathers to share a meal and work together connecting the dots between their faith and their work. They work in medicine, automotive mechanics, IT, graphic design, social work and entrepreneurship. They are not traditional seminary students, but they are everyday practical theologians, working to understand and apply their faith to their career.

At the heart of the *Faith & Work Cohort* is the idea that work is sacred and that all God's people are "called," not just those who work in vocational ministry. We aim to help participants integrate their faith and their work rather than compartmentalize them into separate categories. All types of work can connect with God's work of renewing and

of organizational development through effective human resource strategy. Jay has extensive experience counseling U.S. corporations on employment law matters arising under federal, state, and local laws.

Jay is a Lecturer in Law at Columbia Law School where he teaches Negotiation



restoring broken people, systems, and communities.

Renewal and restoration in our cities, towns, and rural areas begins with believers shaped by God's Kingdom and values. This is why our cohort program focuses on key character elements of trustworthiness, biblical community, humility, compassion, and goodness. We alternate between teaching, small group conversations, and individual reflection that leads to deeper integration of ideas and concepts.

Seminaries can be great hubs for theological reflection for all Christians. Cohort programs such as these widen the reach of The Presbyterian College as well as further the impact. Our 2018 cohort is wrapping up in December and we

Workshops. He is also an award winning Course Lecturer at the Desautels Faculty of Management at McGill University, where he teaches Negotiations and Conflict Resolution for the MBA and BCom programs. are beginning to plan for our next cohort in early 2019. In the coming year, we hope to continually improve the quality of the program as well as engage new supporters who are passionate about faith and work issues. For more information about the *Faith & Work Cohort*, contact Tim Keener today at **tkeener@ pcmtl.ca.** 

"In a society that deems Christianity irrelevant to the challenges of daily life, the Faith and Work Cohort has allowed me to reflect more deeply on my beliefs and how they impact those around me. Through our monthly discussions, I now have a better understanding of the 'whole gospel' and how, together, we can engage our various communities and impact the culture for the good of all."

-Doris Horan, Faith & Work Participant



## vitality

This spring and again this fall, The Presbyterian College hosted congregational vitality brunches for the purpose of encouraging and equipping pastors who are leading change in their congregations. Over twenty congregational leaders have attended one of these informational brunches and the responses have been overwhelmingly positive.

Leading change in the congregational setting is first and foremost a *spiritual* and *theological* task. Our October brunch examined *Spiritual & Theological Dynamics of Congregational Vitality*. Every congregational renewal effort begins by coming face-to-face with our brokenness and recognizing our need for God to breathe new life into our community. We must become honest about our church's state of health if we want to cultivate hope for renewal.

Congregational Vitality is not about quick fixes. It's not about expert advice or even knowing what to change next

## Towards Healthy & Missional Congregations... One Brunch at a Time

in your congregation. Congregational Vitality is the outcome of sustained discernment, the work of the Spirit, and courageous spiritual leadership. It requires active listening and active learning. Above all else, congregational leaders need the space to reflect on their experiences and receive helpful and empathetic support. It is our desire to respond to this need.

We believe the best way to help congregational leaders is not to provide outside expert advice, but to facilitate a collective learning experience, with pertinent resources, in an environment of spiritual brokenness and humility. Informational Brunches have allowed us to test an approach to creating this important space for pastors leading change.

We will continue to host additional brunches for local pastors, but we also recognize the need and interest from pastors outside the Montreal area. We are planning to offer online opportunities for pastors across Canada to connect into a conversation and information session online. In addition, we will be launching a Congregational Vitality Certificate program in 2019. We are planning on a model based on two summer residential intensives in Montreal (2019 & 2020) with online engagement in between these summer sessions. Costs and program details will be announced in December. Our desire is to contribute in a significant way to the health and growth of established churches in Canada.

"I was so encouraged and empowered by the Congregational Vitality gathering last week. It came at a very important time in ministry at our congregation as we face some challenges. And how wonderful to be with other Presbyters, and not as a court!"

> —Comment from a Congregational Vitality Participant

If you would like more information about our upcoming certificate program, please contact Tim Keener at **tkeener@ pcmtl.ca**.

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## Exploring the Missional Imagination—Taking the College on the Road

The Presbyterian College is grateful to be in collaboration with The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington to present a program entitled *The Missional Imagination*. The goal of the program, which unfolds over a six-month period, is to equip church leaders and members to initiate

a concrete missional program in their congregation. So, the program isn't only about teaching/learning in relation to mission, but about the creative and practical work of launching a project, big or small. The first weekend of the program focuses on the spirituality and theology of mission. We begin by exploring how we might reclaim the spiritual dimensions of mission, and then we dig deeply into the question of what it means that the church is a part of God's mission in the



world. What does it mean to *be with* the people of our neighbourhood? How do we build a spiritual connection to our community? What might it mean for the church to become a guest in its own neighbourhood or building?

In the second weekend, this cohort (a group that belongs together through the program) will explore questions of leadership and congregational culture. What does it mean to become a congregation that is defined by the mission of God? How do we know whether we are on the way to becoming a missional congregation? What steps can we take along this path? And then in the final weekend, we will learn from the work of new church development, or church planting, to think about how we engage in the mission of God. One of the real gifts of the church planting movement is that it helps us think about engaging in fresh ways with a world that no longer knows who Jesus is or what it means to walk in his ways. There is so much we can learn about the missional nature of congregations and leadership when we listen to the stories of church planting.

The speakers within the *Missional Imagination Program* are faculty members of The Presbyterian College (including Roland De Vries and Dale Woods) and local practitioners in Southwestern Ontario who are wrestling creatively, in their own context and ministry, with the call to live joyfully in the mission of God. Participants in the program are also doing their own creative explorations over the six-month period (September 2018 through March 2019).



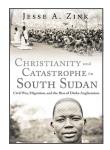
If your Presbytery or Synod might be interested in launching this program in your context, please be in touch with our Director of Pastoral Studies, Roland De Vries, for a conversation about possibilities. He may be reached at **rdevries@ pcmtl.ca** or by phone at **514-288-5256 ext. 209**.

## **Celebrating our Colleagues**



Maylanne Maybee is appointed as Interim Principal at the United Theological College. Maylanne Maybee brings six years' experience

as Principal of the Centre for Christian Studies in Winnipeg, is fluent in French, and has a solid background in administration and management. Educated at Trinity College, The University of Toronto, and Oxford University, she has earned degrees in French Canadian history, French language and literature, education and theology, and was recently awarded an honorary doctorate in divinity by The University of Trinity College in recognition of her work to restore the distinctive diaconate in The Anglican Church of Canada. "The United Theological College is a jewel of a school in the heart of Montreal," Maybee said. "I love its tagline of 'Formed in community for ministry in the world.' I am drawn to its experiential approach to learning and the unique opportunity it offers for students to earn a bilingual M.Div. I look forward to the adventure ahead of exploration, planning, and building on your considerable strengths."



Rev. Jesse Zink, principal of the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, has published a book this year entitled *Christianity and Catastrophe in South* 

Sudan: Civil War, Migration, and the Rise of Dinka Anglicanism. It documents the growth and change of Christianity during civil war in the 1980s and 1990s. It is a story of how a people, in the midst of violence, found in Christianity new answers and new resources to help them survive in a changed world.



The Academic Dean and Chaplain of The Presbyterian College, **Lucille Marr**, has recently published a historic paper entitled

"Henry R. and Frances (Fannie) Rice Davidson: Life and Vision." *Brethren in Christ History & Life* (August 2018). The story of a 19th century Scotch-Irish church leader schooled in the reformed and Anabaptist traditions. With support of his wife Fannie, Henry Davidson's vision for a church periodical, missions and education brought the Brethren in Christ, a conservative largely German denomination, out of isolation into the emerging evangelical movement. Reverend Lucille Marr is the great-greatgranddaughter of the Davidsons.

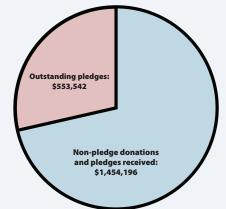
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## A Time to Celebrate—A Time to Give Thanks

It's time for a little celebration! The Presbyterian College's *Taking a Leap of Faith* Campaign has just surpassed the \$2 million mark in gifts and pledges! We are grateful to everyone who gave; no matter how big or how small. We thank our friends, graduates, and the various Montreal Foundations as well as The Presbyterian Church in Canada in helping us to reach this goal.

Gifts have come, and continue to come, in a variety of ways. Some left gifts in their estates, some gave through shares, others made a five-year pledge, and some gave in memory of a loved one, while others joined the PAR program and continue to give monthly.

These gifts have helped us start the Leadership Centre which is committed to connecting theological education with congregational vitality and renewal. They have helped us support a new initiative to fund young global leaders and foster a much more global Christian community at the College. They have helped us renovate residence rooms and other areas of the college. They have provided seed money so that we can begin to envision a quality online delivery accessible to all. These gifts have also helped us develop a mentoring program for graduates in their early years of ministry as well as other ministers with more ministry experience. On behalf of all those who are benefactors of these gifts, thank you!



Now it's time to set a few goals for the next two years in which we hope to raise an additional \$500,000. We have identified five key areas:

#### Room Renovations (\$140,000)

Committed to making our residence a "home away from home," we have renovated 12 rooms out of 40. Many are named in memory of a loved one. We will continue to seek funding to renovate the remaining rooms. A gift can be given over a number of years and can be made *In Memory* of a loved one or *In Honour* of someone who is living and who has had a profound impact on your life. It takes approximately \$5,000 to renovate one room. The residence is a major revenue source for the College and it is important that we maintain it well.

#### Renewal of the Courtyard (\$50,000)

The courtyard is one of the few green spaces in downtown Montreal. It offers a peaceful setting within the hustle and bustle of the city. It is now over fifty years old and requires new paving stones, new flower beds, a refreshed walkway as well as other work. We are looking for that special "someone" or "family" who has the generosity of spirit who would be willing to make it beautiful once again. We would be honoured to name the courtyard after the benefactor(s) who would help us create a beautiful space for prayer and tranquility.

#### Faculty Development (\$60,000)

Teaching is a vital ministry of the church. But those who teach also require the resources to continue to develop their own research and writing. A college that does not develop its faculty cannot fully resource is students. That is why we are establishing a *Faculty Development Fund* that our faculty can access to do further research, study and writing. This is essential to our work and therefore is part of our goals for the next two years.

#### Development of a Certificate in Congregational Vitality and Renewal (\$50,000)

There are many ministers and congregations today who realize that the future will not be the same as the past. Congregations will need to learn how to change if they hope to remain relevant in a changing world. What continues to be essential in congregational life and what is not essential? These are key questions and the *Certificate in Congregational Vitality and Renewal* will be designed to help congregations and ministers address them within their own context. Funds will be invested in the development of the program.

#### Supporting Global Leaders (\$100,000)

Over the past three years, the College has been more intentional in reaching out to young leaders in the global church. The fruit of our labours has resulted in a much more diverse student population, creating a very dynamic Christian community. These students bring a rich spiritual life and understanding. In turn, we can offer them resources that are often not available in their own countries. Many of these students require financial support. By supporting a young leader from the global church, you help resource them to go back home to strengthen their own congregations and witness. \$10,000 covers one year of tuition, \$8,400 covers one year of the cost of accommodation, a gift of \$4,200 covers living expenses, and a gift of \$350 covers one month of living expenses. Gifts of any size are gratefully received on behalf of these students.

If you are interested in supporting us in any of these ventures, please contact Tahra De Lallo at **tdelallo@pcmtl.ca**.

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## Alumni Giving—A greater influence



Denise Allen-Macartney is the Pastor at Gloucester Presbyterian Church in Ottawa.

I had a question for Denise Allen-Macartney, Presbyterian College Masters of Divinity graduate from 2009: *Why did she decide to make a 5-year pledge to the College for our "Taking a Leap" Capital Campaign?* Her answer surprised me. Wasn't she "giving back" to help fund others who follow in her footsteps? It turns out her vision for The Presbyterian College is bigger and more robust than student financial assistance.

"When I gave up my job to come and study at the College, I was surprised about how little I actually had to pay. I was blessed by the generosity of people who believed in theological education. Bursaries from two local churches plus financial assistance from the College and free room and board at the College residence eased the financial burden of giving up my career!"

Yet that assistance wasn't the main catalyst toward her own five-year pledge. Denise reiterates, "My experience was phenomenal. Dale Woods, John Vissers, my fellow students, and the McGill faculty all contributed to equipping me for ministry. That formation then influences other individuals and whole congregations, as my colleagues and I put into practice what we learned."

Here's why Denise chooses to support the College financially: "The College is a mission. It trains pastors and other leaders who trust in Jesus, who then take their training and spiritual formation into the congregation and the workplace. They bless neighbors and colleagues, and they teach others to follow Jesus. Countless people are helped as God's Kingdom advances."

"When we give to the College we help others discern and celebrate their calling. We help more people engage the world, *well*, with Jesus' love.

## John F. Allan—Bequest



*Rev. Dr. John F. Allan B.A 1960, Honorary Doctorate Degree 1988* 

Below is a letter John Allan, B.A. wrote to us about the reasons he has chosen to a leave a bequest to The Presbyterian College.

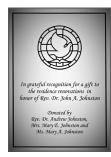
*I was a student at "P.C." for three years, graduating in 1960. Thinking back on* 

those years what stands out most in my memory is a sense of comradeship, friendship among the students and the professors. In those days it was a male club. Some of the friendships have been sustained over the years. My mother sent a food package several times each year. Dr. Bell wrote her a note saying if she continued to send chocolate cake, he was quite sure Id get a very good mark in his classes. She treasured that letter.

I went to the College because I wanted to be a minister of a congregation. I felt particularly blessed by the experiences I had in Dr. Bell's classes and the field training. They guided and sustained me for over forty years in ministry. Now we're in the sunset years. Marjorie and I know we'll soon have to move to seniors' accommodation and some is very expensive. So we have agreed to leave a small legacy to the college from whatever is left. It will be our very modest way of expressing our thanks to The Presbyterian College, and help assure its continuance to encourage and support the next generations of ministers.

> Sincerely John F. Allan

If you would like more information in regards to bequests please contact Tahra De Lallo at **tdelallo@pcmtl.ca** or call **514-288-5256.** 



## In Honour and In Memory

The Presbyterian College has received many gifts which have been given *In Honour* of those who have celebrated milestones, anniversaries, birthdays, degrees or another celebration. Other gifts are *In Memory* of someone who passed away and by giving a gift in their memory, recognize the importance of their life. Gifts were given in honor or in memory of the following:

Mrs. Grace Mackay Bragg Dr. Robert Culley Mr. James Douglas Dimock Rev. Dr. Allan M. Duncan, Grad 1957, Hon. D.D. 1990 Rev. Dr. Lloyd W. Fourney, Grad 1969, Hon. D.D. 1999 Rev. Thomas Gemmell, Grad 1963 Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bramhall Rev. John Jennings Rev. Dr. John A. Johnston, Grad 1954, Hon. D.D. 1980 Rev. Dr. William Klempa, Principal of the College 1978-98 Rev. Dr. Lloyd George Macdonald, Grad 1974, Hon. D.D. 2004 Rev. Donald W. MacKay, Grad 1968 Rev. Randolph Douglas MacLean, Grad 1941 Rev. Dr. Donald MacMillan, Grad 1933, Hon. D.D. 1979 Rev. Dr. John S. McBride, Grad, 1944, Hon. D.D. 1974 Mrs. Rose Mackie Rev. Archibald Daniel MacKinnon Mrs. Margaret Joyce McLean Rev. Dr. Joseph C. McLelland, Hon. D.D. 2007 Ms. Verna Medina (Joseph) Rev. Dr. Oliver Nugent, Grad 1937, Hon. D.D. 1961 Rev. Dr. Cedric Pettigrew, Grad 1969, Hon. D.D. 2016 Rev. Dr. John Alwyn Simms, Grad 1947, Hon. D.D. 1972 Mrs. Naarah Schmidt (Née McMillan) Rev. Dr. Ian Donald Victor, Grad 1979 Mr. Bill Walker If you would like to give a gift in honor or in memory please contact Tahra De Lallo for more information at **tdelallo@ pcmtl.ca**. No matter how big or how small, *In Honour and In Memory* gifts recognize the gift of others and will be recognized not only here, but also in our newsletter annually. Please contact The Presbyterian College for more information.

This is a new program at The Presbyterian College. If we have omitted someone's name, our sincere apologies. Please contact our Development and Stewardship Officer, Tahra De Lallo at tdelallo@pcmtl.ca so we can make the necessary corrections.



## **Remembrance Day 2018**

2018 marks the 100th anniversary of the ending of the First World War, and on this occasion we want to honour the service and sacrifice of graduates and students of The Presbyterian College. We give thanks to God for those who enlisted or served as chaplains, and also call to mind particularly those who continue to serve in the ministry of military chaplaincy today.

### Partial list of Presbyterian Military Chaplains who served in the War

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Note: Names taken from The Acts and Proceedings of the Forty-Third General assembly of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, 1917.

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### Guy Laberge—Saskatoon, Saskatchewan



The past two summers, I had the greatest experience a student of ministry can have. I had the opportunity to preach and deliver VBS programs in various parts of Saskatchewan. I have met dedicated ministers and congregations and travelled through a great province.

I was billeted in Saskatoon with a Lutheran minister and his wife. They are great friends and I had the chance to once again meet their children and grandchildren, sharing meals together throughout the summer.

I was invited to preach as part of the summer placement for ministers who were on vacation or in congregations that did not have an ordained minister but whose worship leadership was provided by dedicated lay people. Under the supervision of the Reverend George Yando and Martha Fergusson, I preached in Saskatoon, Mistawasis, Swift Current, North Battleford, Melfort, Yorkton, Grenfell and Regina. That is a lot of Saskatchewan!

I also attended two Presbytery meetings: the North Presbytery, which includes Saskatoon and all the congregations north of it, and the Assinaboia Presbytery, which includes all congregations south of Saskatoon. The traveling distance between congregations was challenging especially for the congregations of the Assinaboia Presbytery, which covers a wide geographical area.

This summer was also a busy summer for Martha Fergusson and me, since we delivered 11 VBS programs in seven weeks with lots of singing and dancing. To do so, we had four weeks of double VBS. That is, we had one VBS in the morning, then travelled to the next church for VBS in the afternoon, and then back again to our point of origin. The shortest distance was forty-five minutes, while our longest drive was two hours from Saskatoon to Mistawasis. I was also fortunate to visit the Saskatoon Native Circle Center and had four afternoons of crafts and fun with the children there. In total, I travelled more than 15,000 kms during my three months' placement. I had more meals and snacks on the road than meals at the house in Saskatoon! The rented vehicle became the cafeteria, the snack bar, and the home office, as I conducted more business on the road through my Bluetooth equipped vehicle.

Through it all, I have made new friends and renewed old friendships made from my last summer experience. This kind of experience cannot be enjoyed unless you give yourself fully to every sermon and every VBS you deliver. I had a blast throughout the summer, but it also took a lot out of me. Nevertheless, I would gladly repeat the experience again.