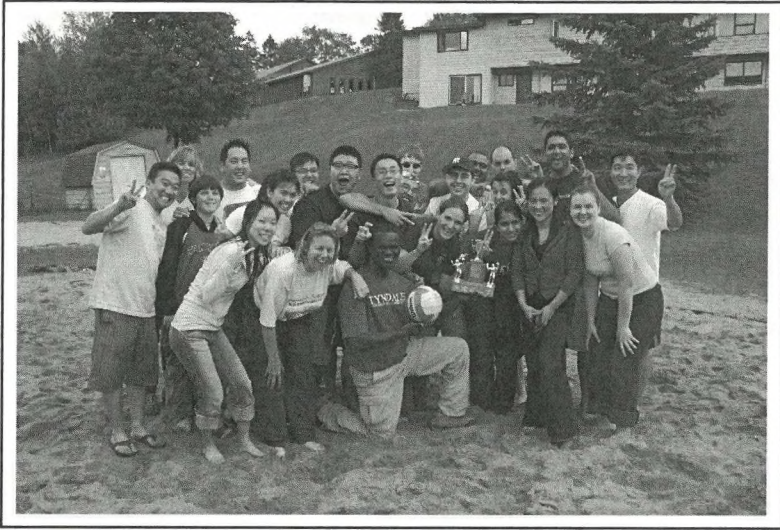


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Seminary Chronicles (Tyndale Seminary) (September 2006)

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A Letter from your Dean of Students

“So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life and place it before God as an offering.” – Romans 12:1 (MSG)

Dear Seminarians,

Whether you are a brand new Seminary student or a returning one, it is with great excitement that I welcome you to Tyndale Seminary for this academic year! We have been praying and preparing for the fall semester and are confident that the God who has begun a good work in each one of us, is faithful to complete it. Depending on the point in your studies at which you're reading this, you may be feeling eager anticipation for your new studies, dread at the prospect of another semester of Greek or relief that finally, graduation is in your sightlines for May 2007. Some students come with new found confidence, others with a heightened sense of inadequacy....some with an equal measure of the two (which I would encourage!). Regardless, there is one thing we share...and that is a call to the Kingdom. How shall we journey together then? Let me suggest: with grace, with humility, with an “extravagant love” as Eugene Peterson translates 1 Corinthians 13 (MSG). With eyes wide open, may we discover what it means to be the people of God in a world that needs Jesus. May we spur one another on to be the Christ light in profound new ways that would affect change in a selfish and impoverished world. May we seek refuge in the shadow of the Almighty and know what it means to truly live in community, minister God's healing touch and understand more deeply what is required of us to “be still” and know that He is God, exalting Him among the nations!

As this semester unfolds, I will be praying for each one of you (yes, “each” one – all 850 of you!) and look forward to meeting many of you, hearing your stories, praying for and worshipping with you in chapels on Tuesdays (Community chapel) and Thursdays (Kairos Sem). Come, let us with our very ‘living’, worship our God together and declare in all we do for God, “not to us Lord but to your Name be the glory”. (Psalm 115:1).

With many blessings,
Kaarina Hsieh

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Look forward to...

Community Chapel
happening every
Tuesday 11:45

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
				Seminary Chapel on Thursday's @ 10:00		2
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24	25	26	27	28		



Weekly



One time
event

Message from the President

A hearty welcome to the School Year of 2006-2007! We are so excited about the good things God will do over the next few semesters. If you are a returning student or a newcomer, we trust that you will be blessed during your time here at Tyndale. It is certainly a joy and an honour to serve you and I look forward to meeting as many of you as I can.

We have a great line-up of wonderful people on the student council this year, who take their role and life in Christ seriously. They are a super group that I am privileged to work with. You will love them too.

Continue...

Mission is to serve the student body and all aspects of the campus life at Tyndale Seminary. To bring about love and unity and to glorify Christ.

To be those who

Will watch and pray.

Vision

God has a message for those who are willing to ask and to listen. Satan would have us sleep and slumber through it all, just as the disciples did when Jesus called them to watch and pray. Peter, later warns us not to fall asleep but to be watchful and alert, because our enemy, the Devil is walking around seeking who he may devour (1 Peter 5:8) In Mark 13:35-37, Jesus uses the same Greek verb for watch to be ready for His second coming. Therefore, we need to watch and pray so that we will not fall into temptation as the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak.

We need to...

Watch out for the enemy

Watch out for ourselves and temptation

Watch out on behalf of others,
as servants in the Master's house (Matthew 24:45-47)

Watch out for Jesus return and be ready.

Let us here at Tyndale be a people who will watch and pray.

Finally, let me share our vision for the year with you. Our focus is 'Watch and Pray'. We are in a very important time in history. God is looking for people who will be on the watch and who will stand on behalf of brothers and sisters everywhere. We are equipping people to go out and share the gospel, so the enemy is not happy. I strongly urge you to take time to spend with God, especially since the demands of studies are so overwhelming. Pray for us, for the professors, the staff, our president, Brian Stiller and the other students. May the Lord bless you as you seek and serve Him. We are praying for you.

In Christ,
Sharon Edwards



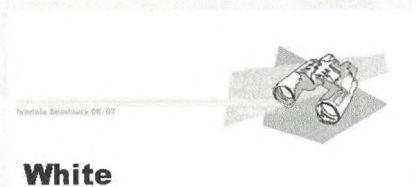
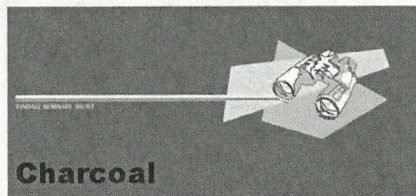
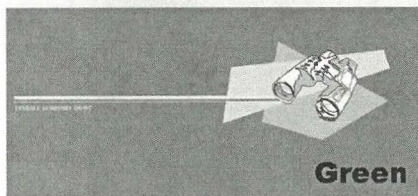
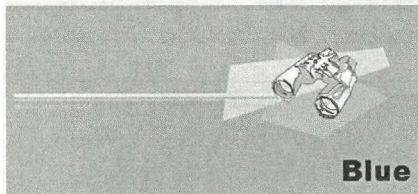
Weekend Retreat Update

The Tyndale Seminary Fall retreat took place the weekend before classes began at the Muskoka Bible Conference. Many may have noticed ominous dark storm clouds appearing overhead while driving to the retreat centre. As my wife and I drove out of the city we saw the dark clouds and the traffic jams on the highways and feared the worst. We could only pray "Lord, keep other drivers safe on the roads and allow us to concentrate on arriving safely at our destination. But the dark cloud mass moved away from the city toward Georgian Bay area and the skies around us began to clear while we drove through farm country and we began to rejoice in the beautiful summer day the Lord gave us. Minutes after pulling up to MBC it began to pour heavily and threatened to ruin our weekend. The weather reflected the theme of the retreat: "Watch and Pray" taken from Matthew 26:41 and Jesus' Gethsemane experience.

This theme was addressed in wonderfully inspired sermons by Barb Haycraft, Brian Stiller and Janet Clark (who also spoke to us during our Sunday chapel). From these sermons we joined small groups and discussed how best to react to the Gethsemane's of our lives. Warm conversation and intimacy developed during these times. Yet there

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Councils@tyndale.ca

were Moments of frivolity too, for out of our small groups we were asked to present a prayer drama that expressed our prayer testimonies – great rejoicing and laughter ensued. But not just there – the laughter began during the student council iconic fashion show and continued into the “dating game” (you'll have to ask those who attended about this one) and throughout the events planned peaking during the Mystery Movie charade with Dr. Yau Man Siew's laughter leading us on our ascent. Yet we descended into Jesus' Gethsemane too through frustration at things that didn't go according to plan, the solemnity of prayer, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper led by Dr. Donald Geortz.

What did we do during our Gethsemane experience? Did we wallow in pity or take premature action or do as our savior would do: watch and pray? As the hymn “It suggests, this is the best way to deal with the storms of life:

“When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say, It is well, it is well, with my soul.”

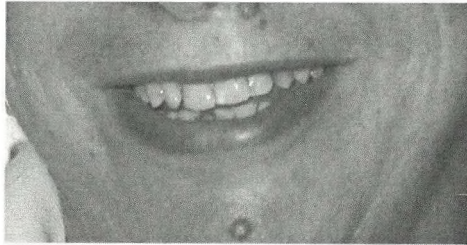
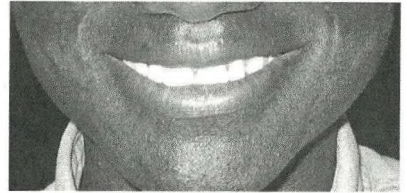
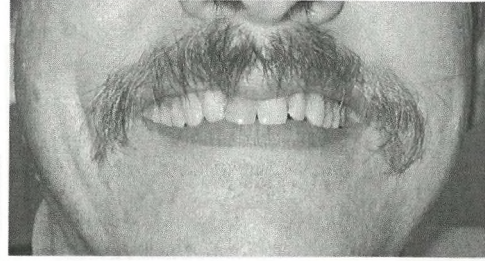
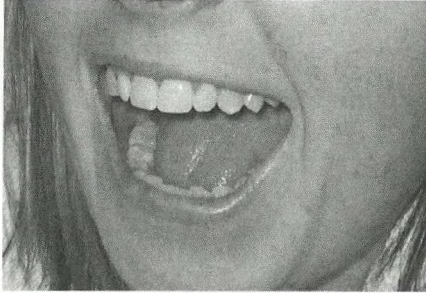
By the way, the storm cleared minutes after it began to rain, and as the dark clouds lifted all was well with our souls.



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Can you guess who these smiles belong to?

First person to guess, come and see **Hannah Chang** and claim your prize



Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus

1 Thessalonians 5:16