

ABU Crandall Celebrates

60 Years!

60 YEARS OF EDUCATION!

We have accomplished many things in the past 60 years. From our humble beginnings as United Baptist Bible Training School, then transitioning into Atlantic Baptist College, to Atlantic Baptist University, and now Crandall University, we have seen many changes.

The weekend of September 25-27 was spent reminiscing about the past and looking to the future. It was Homecoming 2009, where we celebrated our 60th Anniversary. The weekend began on Friday afternoon with many reunion groups gathering and an Athletics Dinner and Auction in the evening. On Saturday, the events started with an Employee Breakfast that brought past and present staff together to reminisce about the University over the years.

The Annual Softball Tournament took place at Evergreen Park School, while the Homecoming Parade with the local antique car clubs arrived on Campus for the Community BBQ and Picnic and a Birthday party for Dr. Doug Mantz in the Great Hall.

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Saturday evening was capped off by a Gala Celebration Banquet. At the Gala, a video presentation was shown to the 250 in attendance. While the video depicted the changes to Crandall University, the new educational facility and the future plans for the campus, it also captured the essence of Crandall University through student interviews about life at Crandall and why many have chosen to attend the university. The culmination of this was when the Executive of the ABU Student Association came to the stage in Crandall University attire. The President joined them on stage and stated "This is our future."

A Worship Service in the Brinton Auditorium started the Sunday events with a worship team of current students, a 1960's Choir, a solo by alumni David Gopee, and a message by alumni Dr. Robert Knowles. A special offering was taken for the international students currently attending the University. The Service was followed by



the Anniversary Brunch and later that afternoon an Installation Ceremony was held for Mr. H. Jack Stultz as Chancellor, the second in our history.

With all of the events taking place on the weekend, it was great to see our alumni who started as UBBS students, as well as our current students, looking ahead to the advancement of the University. As we look to the future with the many changes that lie ahead we can boldly say ...

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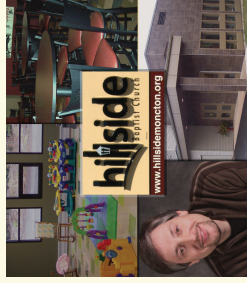


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TRIUMPH IN TRANSITION

Jerry Reddy has been Senior Pastor of Hillside Baptist Church in Moncton, NB since 1993. During this time, Jerry and the leadership have navigated the congregation through the ongoing demands of transitioning into the future. He is not naïve about the difficulty for local churches to have a viable and sustained ministry. In a day when many churches are in decline, Jerry is committed to guide the Hillside community to be a "welcoming lighthouse church in their region."

This commitment comes with a cost. In the past 9 years the congregation has invested 2.5 million dollars in new construction and renovations. Jerry's conviction about buildings is clear: "It is not about facilities, but rather, about ministry that is facilitated." He saw the old facilities "as a lid on their potential to be a redemptive presence." The list of improvements and additions includes a new preschool wing, youth café, and expanded lobby. But the cost is more than monetary. When asked about the personal price of leadership, Jerry quipped, "Success only precedes work in the dictionary!" Taking a church through such transitions requires balancing administration with relationship. Ultimately, it means guiding the church leadership to a new level of risk.



Jerry also discovered an added leadership stress - making adjustments to unexpected events along the way. In the most recent expansion the hope was to include a new worship center but when the church fell short of reaching that financial goal, Jerry and the leadership moved ahead responsibly and only built based on what was pledged. Another unexpected stress was the delay in construction for nearly a whole year. The leadership used that time to revisit and revise the building design.

Even with this emphasis on facilities expansion, the congregation at Hillside under Jerry's



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ABY Celebrates 80 Years



Since 1930, the Atlantic Baptist Youth (ABY) executive has faithfully served the youth in our region. Previously known as the Atlantic United Baptist Youth Convention (AUBYC), the ABY was created to provide opportunities for youth to SERVE Atlantic Canadian youth, to CONNECT with other Christian leaders, and to LEAD at a regional level.

Chad Stretch (PEI representative, 1960's) remembers the feeling of working and serving together as a team. "We learned and grew, knowing that everything we accomplished as an executive was through the Lord's work, and that He had His hand in everything."

Current CABYC President, Bob Knowles, served as AUBYC President exactly 20 years ago. He recalls one executive meeting: "we were having a prayer time and one member was a bit sleepy. Her snoring got progressively louder to the point where everyone just started laughing which woke her and ended our prayer time."

The tradition of serving, connecting and leading has continued up to the present day. Each member has a specific role as they plan events and develop tools for youth and youth ministries. Elected every two years, the ex-

ecutive provides leadership for youth events sponsored by the CABYC - the Senior High track at Springforth, the Tidal Impact Mission Program and other young adult initiatives.

Chet MacPhail, a former PEI representative, AUBYC President, and ABY advisor, reflects on the continuing impact of the executive. "Some amazing leaders and more amazing blessings have come out of our Youth Convention, and God has always used it as a vehicle to proclaim Christ to Atlantic Canada and beyond. The ABY executive formed much of the ground-work upon which the tidal ministry to youth and families is continually being built today."

Celebrate with us as we enter our 80th year!

Submitted by Danielle MacDonald

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pastoral leadership is committed to missions locally and globally. In the same time period of the last two expansions more than \$600,000 dollars has been directed to projects beyond their church doors that include UIM, Camp Wildwood, the Bustin family and Pregnancy Resource Center.

Their commitment to mission is also displayed in hosting the annual Leadership Summit since 2001. Leaders who attend are always inspired by some of the best minds

and examples of what it takes to be a prevailing church for Christ.

As a fellow pastor wrestling with similar challenges, I believe Jerry's experiences, knowledge and wisdom make him a valuable resource for churches seeking to navigate through transitions to become a missional presence in the 21st century.

Submitted by Dave Morhouse

Pastor of Allion Church, Moncton, NB

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