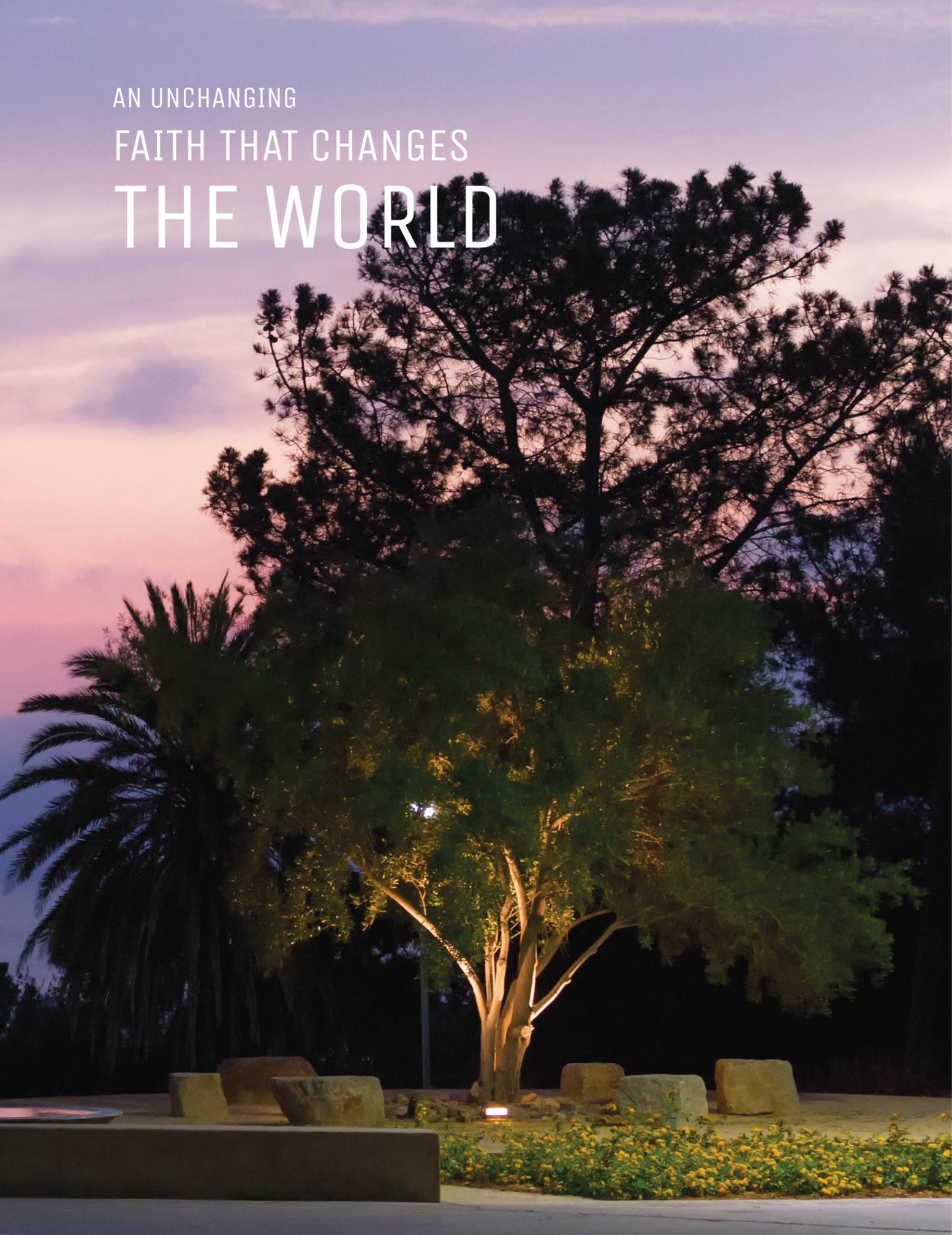


UNCHANGING

2017/18 ANNUAL REPORT



AN UNCHANGING
FAITH THAT CHANGES
THE WORLD

FOREWORD FROM
DR. BOB BROWER,
University President

In 1902, when six women parishioners requested their pastor, Dr. Phineas Bresee, to found what would become Point Loma Nazarene University, they envisioned a university that would provide a holistic education steeped in Christian values and Wesleyan traditions, sending students out to serve as the hands and feet of Christ.

Taking that dream a step further, Bresee also envisioned a university where students would receive a high quality, Christian liberal arts education. From this beginning, PLNU has continued to grow and adapt to the ever-changing needs of students and greater society.

In the 116 years since, the mission, staff, and faculty of the university have remained unchanging in their dedication to developing, preparing, and sending students out to serve and make a difference in the world.

However, the world to which PLNU graduates are sent has changed in many ways — culturally, spiritually, economically, and technologically. Throughout it all, our graduates have helped strengthen the legacy and values of PLNU. The university remains committed to preparing students to be difference makers by innovating and teaching critical thinking and vital skills for today's world.

At Point Loma Nazarene University, we are united in Bresee's timeless vision of a university of unchanging faith. That commitment and our commitment to providing the highest quality education has remained steadfast. At the same time, we're proud to see how students make a difference in their time here in this university community and as they venture out to change the world. Thank you to everyone who has supported our mission and the many ways it is refined and played out in the lives of our students.

AN UNCHANGING COMMITMENT THAT
CHANGES POVERTY



Kim (center) and classmates conduct field research in Africa.

Lauren Kim studies international development with a minor in marketing and works as a student assistant with PLNU's Center for International Development (CID). In the summer of 2018, she and three other students traveled to Africa with Robert Gailey, Ph.D., professor of business and director of the CID.

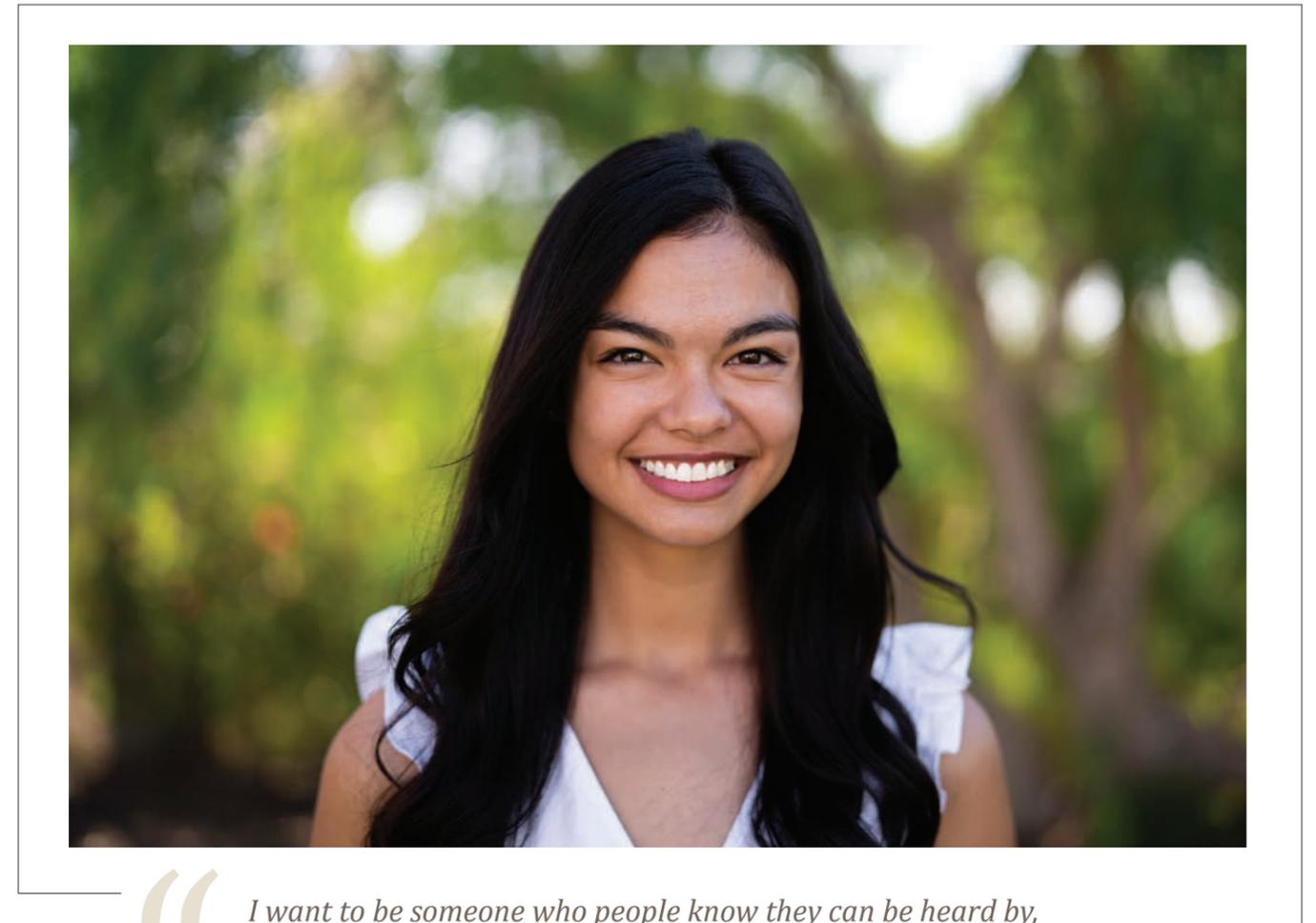
Over the combined four weeks spent in both Zambia and Rwanda, Kim, Gailey, and the other students observed and analyzed the methodologies of international nonprofit organizations working to empower local communities through sustainable economic development and poverty alleviation practices. The group from PLNU partnered with leaders from Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (NCM), as well as other organizations, including HOPE International, World Relief, Catholic Relief Services, and CARE.

Through these organizations, Kim and her fellow students observed microfinance group models — financial services for low-income individuals and

communities who would otherwise lack access to formal banking and lending institutions. More specifically, they observed a model called Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLA), originally developed by CARE and hailed as one of the most empowering microfinance models employed by many other similar organizations.

The students saw firsthand how, through these groups, members could save and deposit money into individual accounts, withdraw loans and repay them with low interest, and invest in their own small businesses and property. All of this, the students saw, empowered members with the capital and foundation to pull themselves out of poverty and improve their livelihoods through their own creativity and collaboration.

Through her personal observation of these VSLA groups, and her hands-on study abroad course with Gailey, Kim was excited to witness her studies in action and apply her major beyond the classroom at PLNU.



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— Lauren Kim



Microfinance models like VSLA operate through the local church as a respected institution for more holistic development in the community.



Kim and VSLA simulation group members.

PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATIONS OF CHANGE MAKERS

Kim and two other students who went on the trip, Dane Brizollara and Hannah Snowden, returned to PLNU for the fall semester of 2018, encouraged by the trip and seeing the impact of holistic international development. Together, they spearheaded a microfinance club on campus with the help of Gailey, serving as leaders in a simulated group of their own, saving their collective money and sharing their field experience with other students who are similarly passionate about addressing global poverty issues.

In charge of the club's outreach and communications, Kim serves within the simulation as the group chairperson, overseeing the proper handling of the VSLA model's format and the group's strict guidelines, including charging fines for poor attendance and improper procedures.

Kim's passion for international development and justice was initially cemented while working with survivors of human trafficking on a LoveWorks mission trip to Romania. After her trip to Africa and seeing her area of study in the field, her goal is to continue gaining professional experience through internships. Ultimately, she hopes to work with similar nonprofits focusing on justice, poverty relief, and sustainable development.

"I want to be someone who people know they can be heard by, who is a voice for the voiceless," she said. "PLNU does a great job in providing those opportunities for students to study abroad, meet other people, and explore the world and issues outside of the university. The CID and the international development major push me to personally step out of my comfort zone and into those places that aren't fully served."





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AN UNCHANGING UNITY THAT CHANGES CONVERSATIONS

Esteban Trujillo, PLNU's chaplain and director of chapel programming, sees the service and involvement of students like Kim, both off-campus and on, as part of Bresee's original and unique vision to the world, and as part of PLNU's larger mission and foundation in line with the Church of the Nazarene.

"As Brenda Salter McNeil spoke about in chapel last year, each of us has a specific piece of a puzzle. Each of us has a different shape and different part, whether we're a corner piece or a middle piece. Yet if one of those pieces is missing, the picture is not complete. We need all of us to have this complete picture of who God has called us to be as part of the body of Christ."

Lindsey Lupo, Ph.D. uses her role as chair for PLNU's Department of History and Political Science, as well as director of the Institute of Politics and Public Service, to foster a campus and classroom environment that encourages students to lead the conversations of how PLNU goes about serving and making our campus and

communities more united through policy and as part of the larger body of Christ.

"Students' faith drives so many of their choices: the papers they write, the research they conduct, the internships and grad school programs they pursue. I see [their academic pursuits] as their ministry and the way they advocate for 'the least of these' in the world. They act on their own passions and pursue their own interests, but they are also deeply empathetic, always thinking about how they can make a difference in the lives of others. All of this stems from students seeing their roles as being the hands and feet of Christ."

At the forefront of many of those conversations are students involved in PLNU's Multicultural Opportunities for Students Actively Involved in Community, or MOSAIC clubs. These clubs represent students of diverse backgrounds on campus, including the Black Student Union, the Asian Student Union, the Association of Latin American Students, as well as others.

AN UNCHANGING FAITH THAT

CHANGES THE STATUS QUO



Bella Passey studies managerial and organizational communication with a minor in public relations, and currently serves as president of the MOSAIC club B.R.E.A.K., which stands for Beauty, Revival, Equity, Action, Knowledge.

B.R.E.A.K. serves as a platform and community in which students, staff, and faculty can come together to explore gender equality issues on campus and in our larger communities. As a recipient of PLNU's Diversity Leadership Scholarship, Passey serves in a leadership position through MOSAIC. She immediately connected with B.R.E.A.K. in her freshman year.

"I specifically loved that it's based in gender equality," she said. "It's kind of a different issue to think about on a Christian campus and how we connect that to what the Bible says and wanting to have honest conversations. This campus is one that believes in growth and changing for the better. So if you want to see change, you have to

be the one to do it. I see MOSAIC and B.R.E.A.K. as starting that conversation and creating that change."

Passey and other MOSAIC club presidents coordinate monthly meetings on current issues facing the university — issues Lupo seeks to address in classroom conversations.

"Even when fatigue sets in, our response should be that there's more work to be done," Lupo said. "Otherwise the status quo is perpetuated. B.R.E.A.K. and MOSAIC are doing a wonderful job in engaging members of the campus community in these difficult, yet inclusive discussions. I'm proud that we engage in a way that's tolerant and civil, and where the emphasis is on truly listening rather than only being heard."

"No matter our gender, skin color, or faith background, God calls us to love everyone as He loves us," said Passey, "to not only shine His love onto each other, but [also] help others find a voice."



Faith has empowered me to hear a lot of those feelings through a leadership position in MOSAIC, where I believe I've been called to try and drive change.

— Bella Passey



HIGHLIGHT: *The year 2017 marked the 20th anniversary of PLNU's Perspectives on Science (POS) lecture and dinner series, a community outreach program that is designed to enhance the knowledge of local middle and high school science teachers. Throughout its first two decades, POS has served more than 600 science teachers, representing approximately 200 elementary, middle, and high schools throughout San Diego County as well as local community colleges.*



AN UNCHANGING CALL TO CHANGE THE WORLD TOGETHER

Ryan Botts, Ph.D., associate professor of mathematics, is a self-proclaimed problem-solver, constantly seeking the latest technology to master and implement at PLNU. Working with multiple departments and disciplines, Botts's students gain hands-on experience while also solving problems for professors and the university.

"At the heart of what we do, our work is to serve others on campus with computation, analysis, and technology. And one amazing opportunity is that students get to become experts while serving faculty directly with their expertise."

Botts and students have collaborated with PLNU faculty on diverse projects such as identifying genetic causes of disease with machine learning; using DNA sequencing technology with Oregon State faculty in the Arctic Ocean to analyze the genome of a thousand-year-old microbial community; and transforming a class project into a data model to simulate the spread of wildfires.

"Today a lot of people are asking whether their degree will make money rather than whether

their degree will satisfy them," Botts said. "Our challenge is showing that liberal arts skills are relevant with the demand for people with technical skills — staying cutting edge in what we're teaching while holding to our value of helping people find their gifts and serve with them as people of character and faith."

"The university is not only producing pastors and missionaries," said Trujillo, "but also students who serve in so many other vocations that honor their gifts to love and serve others. That's the vision that Bresee had, and these are students who are living out the love of Christ and making a difference not only in our community, but all over the world."

It's through faculty and staff like Trujillo, Lupo, and Botts that Bresee and his congregants' vision of deep faith, meaningful service, and high quality academics is carried forward. As Point Loma Nazarene University's legacy continues, it is for the great purpose of empowering students like Kim and Passey with unchanging faith to serve others and change the world.

UNIVERSITY HIGHLIGHTS

PLNU's LoveWorks short-term mission program celebrated its 30-year anniversary in 2017-18. Through the end of 2017, a total of 250 teams consisting of 2,818 members had been sent to serve in locations around the world — only going where they were invited by local churches or missionaries.

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In September, PLNU was named one of the winners of the 2017 EMIES Unwasted Food Award by the San Diego Food System Alliance as part of its 3rd Annual Food Waste Solutions Summit.

PLNU nursing students formed a strong partnership with the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency to assist in combating the local hepatitis A epidemic through mass

public vaccination events and public health education in the community. The epidemic began in fall 2017.

In February, the annual Writer's Symposium by the Sea brought to campus New York Times bestselling author Deepak Chopra; Pulitzer Prize winner Jane Smiley; Peabody Award winner Krista Tippett; and NBA legend and author Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

Jeffrey Carr, Ed.D., PLNU's chief diversity officer and associate vice president for student development, was honored by the Central San Diego Black Chamber of Commerce with a Trailblazer Award on March 5, 2018. Carr was also appointed to the national board of the National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education (NADOHE) as the chair of the Council of Representatives.

In March 2018, PLNU's Wesleyan Center launched the Frank G. Carver Wesleyan Heritage Lectures. Carver taught Bible at PLNU for many years.

PLNU once again served as one of the four co-host universities for the U.S. celebration of the 2017 Kyoto Prize laureates and their achievements. PLNU hosted the welcoming ceremony

and opening luncheon of the Kyoto Prize Symposium on March 20, 2018.

PLNU hosted its first Pre-Health Conference on April 7, 2018, with about 75 attendees. Guest speakers shared their stories and perspectives within the overarching theme of "Serving through Healing."

The PLNU community raised a lenten offering to support the Church of the Nazarene in southeastern Democratic Republic of the Congo. The \$6,102 offering was raised to provide roofing and structural materials for churches that have secured land and built brick walls but are still worshiping or holding primary school classes under temporary tarps.

In the spring, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) reaffirmed PLNU's accreditation for the maximum 10-year period.

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Rev. Esteban Trujillo was named the new PLNU chaplain in May 2018.

PLNU's 2017-18 graduating class included 1,254 students. There were 367 graduate, professional, and adult degree completion students who celebrated achieving their diplomas in 2018.

PLNU welcomed two new members to the President's Cabinet at the end of 2017-18. Kelly Smith is the new vice president for university advancement. Jeff Bolster, Ph.D., is the new vice president for university services. Jake Gilbertson filled Bolster's previous role as dean of students.

In June, the PLNU surf team won the National Scholastic Surfing Association National Interscholastic Championship for the fourth consecutive year and sixth time overall.

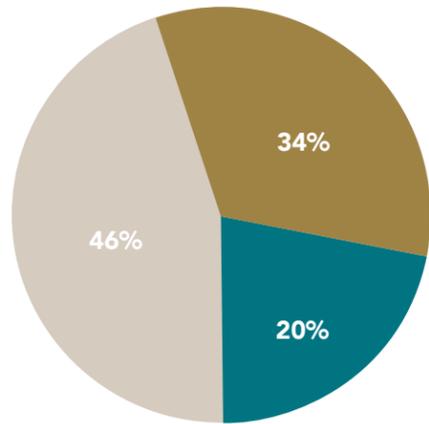
Point Loma Nazarene University was awarded the Presidents' Award for Academic Excellence after leading NCAA Division II with an academic success rate of 98 percent. This is the second straight season PLNU has earned this prestigious honor.

This past year, PLNU Athletics also claimed the PacWest Community Engagement Award for the second time in three years. During the 2017-18 academic year, Sea Lion student-athletes were involved in more than 100 different community service events locally, regionally, nationally, and globally.

PLNU continued to expand its service to non-traditional bachelor's degree seeking students in 2017-18. In summer 2017, fall 2017, and spring 2018, a total of 283 students earned their degrees in PLNU's adult degree completion programs. PLNU offers these programs in business administration, child development, computer information technology, criminal justice, integrated studies with an emphasis in education, nursing, and organizational management. Building on this success, fall 2018 has seen a record number of non-traditional students enrolled at PLNU. Of the 493 non-traditional students enrolled this fall, 210 are new non-traditional students, which is also a record high.

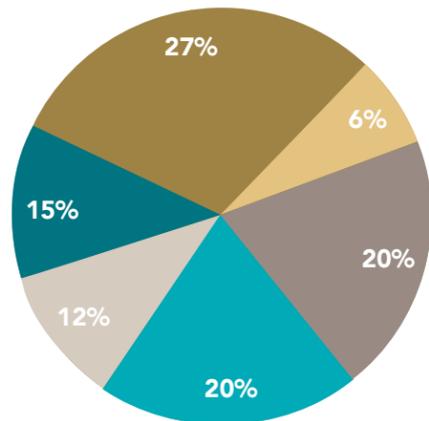


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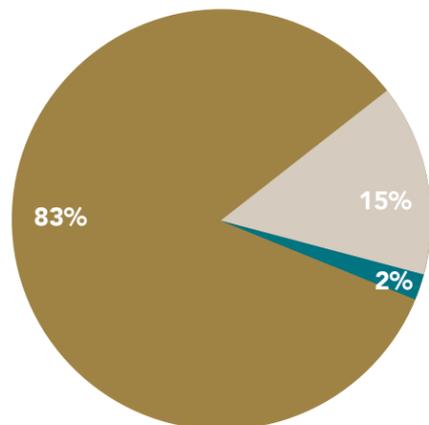
TOTAL GIFTS RECEIVED: \$6,230,068

- Unrestricted and Church Gifts **\$2,131,344**
- Designated Gifts **\$2,845,716**
- Endowed Gifts **\$1,253,008**



TOTAL EXPENSES: \$135,191,402

- Instructional and Academic Support **\$36,277,894**
- Student Services **\$16,450,784**
- Institutional Support **\$19,639,483**
- Operation and Maintenance of Plant **\$8,425,704**
- Scholarships **\$26,866,854**
- Auxiliaries and Other **\$27,530,684**



TOTAL REVENUES: \$136,986,543

- Tuition and Fees **\$114,079,655**
- Auxiliary Services and Other Income **\$20,775,545**
- Unrestricted and Church Gifts **\$2,131,344**



MISSION

Point Loma Nazarene University exists to provide higher education in a vital Christian community where minds are engaged and challenged, character is modeled and formed, and service becomes an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we strive to be a learning community where grace is foundational, truth is pursued, and holiness is a way of life.

VISION

Point Loma Nazarene University will be a nationally prominent Christian university and a leading Wesleyan voice in higher education and the church — known for excellence in academic preparation, wholeness in personal development, and faithfulness to mission.

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