

# PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

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THE FEATURE STORY

## RESURGAM

STUDENT-BODY WIDE  
ACADEMIC COMPETITION

NEW CAMPUS  
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# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

*IN CHRISTO OMNIA NOVA*

It's unanimous. The new campus is a hit. From faculty and staff to students—everyone loves the new campus. In almost every way, the new campus is an upgrade—superior housing, food choices, chapel location, classrooms and offices. Witherspoon Hall (the former First Congregational Church) has become our home. With our commitment to the Scriptures, studying Western Civilization and the great thinkers of the past, and a deep appreciation of history, I can't think of a better place to be than a 100 year old, gothic revival building that simply oozes of history and tradition and architectural beauty. And, being in Old Town Pasadena, just blocks from the Rose Parade route and in the shadow of the iconic City Hall, the students are walking distance to shops, restaurants, and cultural entertainment. It's an exciting place to spend four years.

As I sat on the stage for commencement, looking out over a packed sanctuary glimmering with beauty, I was overwhelmed with gratitude. The largest graduating class in the history of the college, the completion of the first year of our new CORE curriculum and clustered concentrations, a successful *Resurgam* Competition, a strong academic and spiritual culture, and the successful transition to a wonderful new campus—all these made me smile. I was overwhelmed with gratitude to God's fatherly care and how He providentially guided us, empowered us, and sustained us through the move and the successful completion of our first semester in our new home.

Blessings,

  
Dr. Jim Belcher, President

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# NEWS & EVENTS

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## RESURGAM CONFERENCE

In early April, Providence held its first school-wide *Resurgam* academic conference. This year's theme was "Logos," a Greek word meaning "thought" or "reason." To kick off this historic event, Dr. W. Robert Godfrey, Chairman of Ligonier Ministries, President Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of Church History at Westminster Seminary California, was the keynote speaker. In his message, *The Logos and the University*, Godfrey challenged Providence students to never lose sight of their faith in Christ while pursuing their scholastic endeavors.



## SPRING CONCERT

The Providence Chamber Singers performed their annual spring choral concert on April 25, 2019, in Witherspoon Hall. This year's program, *Then Sings My Soul*, was directed by Providence's Lecturer in Music, Dianne Harmel, and featured beautiful solo and choral performances of sacred hymns, such as "Come Thou Almighty King" and "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Additionally, the Jubilate Vocal Ensemble sang a magnificent selection of scriptural songs, including "The Prayer" and "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need."



## STUDENT FORMAL

The entire student body celebrated the end of a monumental semester at the Providence Spring Formal, an annual event featuring dancing, food, and the ever-popular photo booth. This year's festivities were held just a few blocks from the Providence campus at the Pasadena University Club, a historic institution known for its rich tradition in fostering a supportive environment for local schools and businesses in Southern California.



## THE BEGGAR SHOW

The Providence Campus Activities Board (CAB) hosted its inaugural *Beggar Show*, a live, student-led talent competition, on March 29, 2019. From singing and dancing, to juggling and gymnastics, students showcased a diverse array of gifts and talents in an endeavor to earn the top prizes for "Best in Show." This year's winners included the performance of an original song entitled, "PCC All About We," a special student tribute to being a Providence Sea Beggar.



## RECORD VISIT DAYS

Throughout the semester, admissions candidates are given a personal, guided tours of the Pasadena campus in order to show what sets a Providence education apart from other colleges. This spring marked a record number of campus visits from prospective applicants. Over 200 potential students from over 14 different U.S. states and 3 different nations have visited in the hopes of potentially pursuing their undergraduate education at Providence—That's a 12% increase in campus visits since last spring.

# FACULTY UPDATES

**DR. DAVID CORBIN**, vice president for academic affairs, delivered the address “Order, Chaos & the West” at The Kings College on April 9th, 2019. He was also a symposium discussant on the topic “Liberty and the American National Character” at the Liberty Fund/Center for Western Civilization, Thought & Policy, in Boulder, Colorado, April 11-14, 2019.



**DR. LAWRENCE MUMFORD**, visiting lecturer in music, had his compositions, *The Dawn Wind* for orchestra, and *Sonata Allegro* for piano, reach the semi-finalist stage for The American Prize. This prestigious award is given annually to professional composers who submit recordings of original works. A portion of his choral piece, *Open the Gates*, was recently performed by the Providence Chamber Singers in their first concert in Witherspoon Hall.



**DR. BENJAMIN AUSTIN**, preceptor in New Testament and Greek, had his book, titled *Plant Metaphors in the Old Greek of Isaiah*, published by the Society of Biblical Literature in their Septuagint and Cognate Studies series. The book analyzes the translation of Isaiah’s metaphors that use plant imagery in the context of the Hellenistic Jewish translator in his Egyptian milieu.



**TIMOTHY R. SCHEUERS '10**, lecturer in history, published a review of Coen Maas’s book “Medievalism and Political Rhetoric in Humanist Historiography from the Low Countries (1515-1609),” in *The Sixteenth Century Journal*, vol. XLIX, no. 3.



## 2018 FALL DEAN’S LIST

Students named to the Providence Christian College dean’s list must be enrolled full-time and maintain a GPA of 3.50 or higher for the semester. The fall 2018 dean’s list includes:

Joel Aguilar	Hannah Mersch
Haley Aguirre	Benjamin Moelker
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# NEW FACULTY AND STAFF



## **PETE HAMSTRA**

### **VICE PRESIDENT FOR ENROLLMENT**

Pete Hamstra joins Providence as the Vice President for Enrollment. Hamstra comes to Providence with a variety of professional experiences, including working in and leading enrollment efforts at Christian colleges for many of the last 20 years. Some of his experience includes working in admissions at Dordt College, where he is an alum, serving as the Vice President of Admissions and Marketing at Trinity Christian College, and as the Vice President of Enrollment at Arizona Christian University. He is eager to see how God will use him to further the work of Providence as he leads the enrollment team. Hamstra and his wife, Linda, attend Phoenix United Reformed Church, where he serves as an elder.



## **PAUL JIMENEZ**

### **KUYPER FELLOW IN THE HUMANITIES AND MORAL SCIENCES**

Paul Jimenez joins the Providence community as the Kuyper Fellow in the Humanities and Moral Sciences. In this role, Jimenez co-coaches the College's debate team, serves as the chair of the Resurgam planning committee, and leads discussion sessions in the humanities and business department. Jimenez is an alum of King's College in New York, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude with a degree in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics. Outside of the office, Jimenez enjoys hiking, reading, and watching movies with his wife, Leti. They are expecting their first child this Fall.



**MORGAN ZYLSTRA '19**  
**ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR**

Morgan Zylstra moved into a full-time role as an Admissions Counselor after finishing her studies as a student at Providence in Fall 2018. In her new role, she recruits prospective students and serves as the campus visit day coordinator. Zylstra finds excitement in her work as she gets to share the love and appreciation for her Providence education with prospective high school students every day. She is grateful to use her personal experience at Providence to guide students in their own understanding of God's purpose for them. In her free time, Zylstra can be found exploring the greater Los Angeles area, enjoying almost every genre of music, or checking out new coffee shops. She attends the Los Angeles Reformed Presbyterian Church.

## MEMORIAL & HONORARY GIFTS

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The Freshmen Class was crowned the winner of *Resurgam* 2019.



# RESURGAM

**Resurgam 2019** introduced a student-body wide academic competition at Providence Christian College. As an athletic, artistic, and academic competition, the two day event was held April 2-3 and demonstrated the student body's full range of talent and ability. Cohorts were made based on student's academic year, and the competition ranged across various events

including an Old Town Pasadena wide scavenger hunt, a debate tournament, fine arts presentations, and short films.

This year's *Resurgam* theme was *Logos*, a Greek word that means, speech, logic, and word, among other definitions. In Greek philosophy, it is associated with the integrating force that holds the universe





Students explore the Fine Art pieces from various students, including a live-action painting (above). Student debaters deliberate on their response after the opening statement (below).



together and allows for rational thought. In the Christian tradition, this notion is attached to the second person of the Trinity, Jesus Christ, the one who created and sustains our world. This *Logos* didn't just create but became flesh and dwelt among us. Ultimately, Jesus died so that we can be reconciled to God and come to know personally this *Logos* that

authored our very creation. *Resurgam* is a reflection of what the College seeks to embody as a Christian and Classical institution that challenges its students to work to the height of their abilities; never losing sight of the *Logos* that holds everything together.

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Above, a student debates topics such as whether “Order is more important to society than freedom” or if “Church and state in America should work together and not remain separate.” Below, the “Brown Bears” Sophomore cohort exploring Old Town Pasadena for clues to send back to the “Code Breakers”.



Above, groups of “Code Breakers” decode clues from team members exploring Old Towne Pasadena in the scavenger hunt titled “The Sea Beggar Challenge.”





Below, the band leads the study body in worship before the Keynote address.



Above, Dr. W. Robert Godfrey, chairman of Ligonier Ministries, delivers the keynote address titled “The Logos and the University” to the entire student body, followed by a Q&A. Below, the Freshmen class captains receive the *Resurgam* 2019 trophy.





**Providence Christian College** is now located in the heart of the Playhouse District in Old Town Pasadena, California. The main campus is located in the Church at the intersection of East Walnut Street and Los Robles Avenue (two blocks north of Colorado Boulevard). Originally built in 1928, this breathtaking church was designed in a Gothic Revival style that reflects the glorious economic and religious optimism of the early 20th century. The main building houses administrative offices, classrooms, the library, and the Chapel.

*NEW CAMPUS TOUR CONTINUED ON PAGE 14* ►



# TOUR



Each week, students gather together for chapel in Witherspoon Hall (above), named after Rev. Dr. John Witherspoon, the great Scottish Presbyterian Reformed pastor who emigrated to the U.S. in 1768 and became one of the most influential spiritual leaders in America.

Students attend lectures in various classrooms named after pivotal historical American, international, and Reformed Christian figures: James Madison Parlor (below, top), Abraham Lincoln Parlor, C.S. Lewis Lecture Hall (below, bottom), Dorothy Sayers Room, and the Alexis de Tocqueville Lounge are just a few of the rooms where our students become firmly grounded in biblical truth and thoroughly educated in the liberal arts.





Left, named after the historic Jewish Holocaust survivor, Corrie Ten Boom, the Providence library houses hundreds of research books, journals, and other scholastic publications, in addition to private study spaces.



Right, two blocks south of the church, the Pasadena New School of Cooking offers healthy, affordable, world-class cafeteria meal options for Providence students.



Just a block north of the main building, The Providence Village (above) features a row of four newly renovated apartment complexes designed exclusively for Providence students. Student housing includes bedrooms, bathrooms, a kitchen (shown below), a living room, and appliances.





Ambrose Cafe (above) is just one block away from the Providence classrooms and is a popular hangout spot for Providence students and faculty. This modern cafe is an ideal place for coffee, fellowship, grab-and-go food, and a study space from early morning to late at night.

A block away from the classrooms, Providence students are able to dine at The Refectory (left), which provides cafeteria meal options and a relaxing outdoor seating area.



You will enjoy the warm and relaxing atmosphere of our Admissions Lounge. Here, you will learn more about Providence and receive additional materials about our college, as well as a guided tour of the campus from one of our friendly counselors.



The Academic Resource Center (ARC). Here, students are given the opportunity to work collectively on class projects or one-on-one with a professional writing tutor.

# THE COURAGE TO LEAD:

## AARON GOOCH '21

*by Mark Pomerville*

**Since he was 12 years old**, Aaron Gooch '21 knew he wanted to play college baseball at a Christian College. Not only did he have a passion for the game, but he also had a love for the Lord and desired to see his relationship with God and his gifts as a baseball player mature and grow.

In August 2017, Gooch enrolled as a freshman at Providence, eager to play for the Sea Beggars baseball team. Although he enjoyed the camaraderie he was forming with his teammates, his stats weren't as strong as he had hoped. With only 20 at-bats in his first season, he was only chosen in the starting lineup twice and only had one hit to his name for the entire school season.

Even as Gooch experienced these setbacks on the field, he could not have anticipated the testing of faith he would endure toward the end of his freshman season. In Spring 2018, he noticed an unusual sensation in his left wrist. At first, the discomfort seemed minor, but the irritation turned into a severe soreness that inhibited him from participating in games. Over the summer, he attempted to alleviate the injury with tape and rest, but the pain persisted.

Finally, in Fall 2018, after visiting a physician, Gooch discovered that he had a broken hook of the hamate in his hand, an injury commonly found in baseball players as a result of the baseball bat knob frequently hitting one's hand during games and practices. In the end, he would have to undergo surgery to repair the damage. When Gooch finally returned to play

at Providence, he wasn't the same. He couldn't hit, and he quickly became discouraged by the prospect of having to turn in his cleats and end his baseball career.

"My dad always said that baseball was a lot like life," he said. "You will fail a lot. But whether you fail in life or on the field, what are you going to do? How are you going to respond? Are you going to stay down or get back up?"

Gooch was determined to get back on the field. Although he was still wearing a cast, he would show up to the weight room and all the practices with his team. He realized that, if he were to get fully back on his feet, he would need to put even more effort into his recovery. "People look up to me on the team," said Gooch. "They see me as a leader, and, I knew that, as soon as I got my cast off, I would have to give it my all because they were all watching how I would respond."

In January 2019, the cast was removed, and he began to pursue baseball again with an unmatched determination. From hitting in the batting cages in the early morning, to staying up late at night studying swings from professional players, Gooch became known for always being the first to arrive on the field and the last one to leave. He also began a daily practice journal, chronicling all of his improvements and goals he wanted to achieve.

Through prayer and persistence, his game improved over a period of a few months,



exceeding the expectations of his coaches, teammates, and himself. Following his recovery, Gooch broke the 2019 single season home-run record and achieved a whopping 125 at-bats and 35 hits. Over the course of this season, he started in over 35 games and is currently tied for most career home runs for the college. He holds the top invert offensive category for a current Sea Beggar, and he was recently voted as the team captain by his peers. This spring, Gooch was awarded the Baseball Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award for having the highest cumulative GPA on the Baseball team.

“Aaron Gooch exemplifies exactly what we desire from each baseball player at Providence,” said Baseball Coach Cody Walter. “He is devoted to becoming a great leader both on and off the field, and his numbers on the field and in the classroom are a testament to the hard work he has put in over the last year.”

While Gooch’s playing stats have improved, so has his walk with Christ. Gooch acknowledges that the Lord has used his injury not only to strengthen him as a player but also as a man of God. “This injury brought a lot of frustration,” said Gooch. “But I can see God’s plan now. He used my pain to steer me in the direction He wanted me to go. He has pushed me harder to achieve my goals and demonstrate godly diligence that can be an inspiration to the other players around me.”

As Gooch prepares for his next season, the injury that once held him back has helped motivate him to improve even more, giving his best to the Lord at every game. “I’m giving everything I have now to God. Through this pain, I’ve learned that when things are going good, give your praise to God. And when things aren’t going well at all, still give your praise to God.” ■



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

**TWEETIE  
CAMPBELL**  
CLASS OF '17



# THE ART OF TEACHING

by Elizabeth MacAdam '19

**In November 2018, Tweetie Campbell '17 officially launched her art studio, open to children and parents alike.** Her studio is designed to be an after-school program for her students and their families. While it originally was designed and tailored to elementary students, it is now a full family studio, including kids classes, adult classes, and “Mommy and Me” classes.

Campbell has always had a passion for art, as she had worked as a Toy Designer for over 15 years in Hong Kong, where she was born and raised. Her story at Providence began in 2012, after she and her husband moved to the United States because of his job.

The move to the U.S. opened a number of new possibilities for Campbell, including pursuing a bachelor's degree that she had never obtained. In looking for a college, she wanted a school that would adhere to her passion for art, but also fulfill her desire to know and serve the Lord through learning the Biblical languages. The concept of a Christian liberal arts education that would cater to her academic needs was a perfect fit for Campbell, and she enrolled at Providence Christian College in the Spring of 2012.

As a student at Providence, Campbell took classes in Biblical languages and furthered her knowledge of Reformed theology; yet, it was her internships that really solidified what her calling was: to teach the Bible through art. She interned at The Tabernacle of David Christian Academy and, consequently, was offered the position of Art Teacher after graduation.

As an art teacher, Campbell meets regularly with the Head of School to discuss the Bible curriculum, where she feels actively influenced by her Bible classes at Providence. She said, “I want to use art so all students are able to see the beauty and goodness of God through the use of all five of their senses.”

With her art studio, Campbell wishes to use her space to be a place for all people to feel welcome and build relationships through the creation of art. As her passion for art grows and develops, she hopes that her studio will continue to grow. “My liberal arts education has impacted me in my career because it opened my eyes that God calls us to be good stewards in whatever we are called to. Having a liberal arts degree is freeing, because it shows you how God can work through us in any profession.” ■



# COMMENCEMENT

## DANI STAFFORD '19

by Sam Mahtani

**ON MAY 4TH, 2019**, Providence Christian College celebrated its largest ever graduating class, with 44 students receiving their bachelor's degree. This specific class marked the graduation of a large number of student athletes who began at Providence in Fall 2015, when the College added three sports in its athletic program offerings. That decision jump-started an enrollment that has continued to trend upward each year.

Dani Stafford '19, however, is an anomaly. She transferred in 16 credits before she even began at the college and completed additional classes each summer to get ahead. Stafford was an integral member of the Women's Soccer program for three seasons, a Resident Assistant in the Student Life department, the Women's Soccer top academic performer in 17-18 and in 18-19, interned with Union Station Homeless



Mission for over a year, and has started working for direct sales company, where she has grown her business over the past six months. After just six semesters at Providence, Stafford walked across stage with Academic Honors and received her degree with concentrations in Psychology and Communications.

All of this, however, almost didn't happen. In 2016, when she visited Providence as a soccer recruit, she was not thrilled about the idea of entering a one-year old soccer program and not excited about the potential teammates or the fact that Providence didn't have the exact major she was looking for. So, she told the women's soccer coach she wouldn't be attending

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*I began to recognize that God's gift of beauty shows us how he cares for us and creates us as beautiful humans.”*

—DANI STAFFORD



Providence and continued to pursue other college opportunities. A few months later, she ran into an admissions counselor at her high school college fair, who suggested she talk more with the women's soccer coach and to learn more about the recently added Psychology concentration.

"I called coach and he told me to visit again and see what was new: I prayed a lot about coming to a newer school like Providence as being positive vs negative, and, when I came again, I committed on the visit. My understanding of how special it would be to be at the ground level of Providence made me see the school in a different light. I remember coming on campus and thinking that it was where God wanted me to be."

And so began this journey for Stafford: competing in a young soccer program, joining a newly established Psychology program, and living in a small reformed community committed to a foundational education in the liberal arts. As Stafford reflected on the academics of Providence, she specifically mentioned her professors.

"I really liked Dr. Gamble's soteriology class and how it intersects with other classes I took, and I began to see God in everything. Soteriology helped me to see God's hand in salvation and how it played a role in the classes I took. In American philosophy class, we talked about how Jonathan Edwards sees beauty as where God's heart

is, and I saw the connection of God's presence in beauty. I began to recognize that God's gift of beauty shows us how he cares for us and creates us as beautiful humans."

About a year ago, Stafford had the opportunity to have lunch with the CEO at the time of Union Station Homeless services, who connected her with the manager of volunteers and interns. Through that meeting, she was able to get an internship with the community allies program, where she helped match adults who have experienced homelessness with volunteer mentors, assisted with web and print communications to community members and volunteers, organized special events, and wrote grant proposals for funding.

"Having my internship provided me with experience in professional settings. I felt so much more prepared going into the "real world" and tackling the future. I know that the Providence education has been a foundational element in preparing not just me but also all of my classmates." ■



## A COMMUNITY OF SERVICE

by Sam Mahtani



One of the visions of the Providence Athletics Program is helping students learn by serving. The 2018-2019 academic year added a Student-Athlete Athletic Council (SAAC), whose mission is to unify and transform the community by living lives of service rooted in biblical standards to glorify Christ. This council spearheaded partnerships and events over the course of the year to encourage and push athletes to serve outside of their comfort zone. Some of the community partnerships this year included childcare at Door of Hope for children of families who have experienced homelessness, serving breakfast at Union Station on Friday mornings, and spending time with teens and young adults with physical and intellectual disabilities.

Most recently, the Baseball team served with the Glendora Little League's Challenger Division at Sandburg School Park, whose purpose is to allow special needs children the opportunity to compete in modified Little League baseball games. This movement of service has also been an inspiration to the Women's Soccer program, who will be traveling on a short-term missions this August, to Costa Rica. ■





# 2019 SEA BEGGAR SCRAMBLE

by Elizabeth MacAdam '19



The Annual Sea Beggar Scramble teed off on April 22nd in a new location: La Canada Flintridge Country Club. With the sun shining and a nice cool breeze, over 120 golfers took to the course, raising close to \$40,000 in support of the Providence athletic programs. This year's banquet featured a number of exciting raffles, live auction items, and recognition of top student athletes. A new athletic department award, titled the Champions of Character award, was given to **Becca Hernandez '20**. This award goes to an athlete who has demonstrated the NAIA five core values: integrity, respect, responsibility, sportsmanship, and servant leadership during their time at Providence. Hernandez has exemplified these qualities through her leadership on and off the field as a team captain as well as a Resident Assistant.

The Athletics Department also recognized the top performing academic student in each Varsity sport:

Men's Baseball - **Aaron Gooch '21**

Men's Cross Country - **Dean Whitcher '19**

Women's Cross Country - **Ruth Fleeman '19**

Men's Soccer - **Josiah Vanderveen '19**

Women's Soccer - **Danielle Stafford '19**

Women's Volleyball - **Alexis Le Clech '20**

Athletic Director, Brian DeHaan, spoke to the success of the event: "The Sea Beggar Scramble has been a highlight at Providence for the past 11 years, and the 2019 tournament was no exception. Everyone who participated in the day directly impacted the student-athlete experience, and we are extremely grateful for the generosity of our friends and families. We are building an athletic program at Providence that honors the Lord and this fundraiser advances our mission and vision for the department. I sincerely thank everyone who helped make the day a success, and I'm looking forward to our continued growth in 2020."

To stay up to date with Providence Athletics, follow us on Twitter at @seabeggarnation or visit us at [www.seabeggars.com](http://www.seabeggars.com). ■

# ALUMNI UPDATES

## Submit your alumni update

to [alumni@providencecc.edu](mailto:alumni@providencecc.edu)  
by October 1 to be considered  
for the next issue of the  
Providence Magazine.



**BRANDON ADDISON '09**  
and his wife, Gina, welcomed their first  
child, Luke Daniel Addison, on November  
18, 2018. Luke was born weighing 8 lbs., 5  
oz., and 21.5 inches long.



**ANDREW BEKKERING '16**  
and his wife, Anessa, welcomed their  
second child, Aliza Mae Bekkering, on April  
24, 2018. Aliza Mae was born weighing 7  
lbs., 3 oz. He is also in his second year of  
seminary at Puritan Theological Seminary  
in Grand Rapids, Michigan.



**AMELIA (JENNINGS) KEMMERER '17**  
was married to Jesse Kemmerer on  
October 6, 2018, at First Church of  
Merrimack OPC, in Merrimack,  
New Hampshire.



**KYLE KORTENHOEVEN '17**  
graduated from Colorado Christian  
University with his Masters in  
Organizational Leadership. With this  
degree, Kyle hopes to start a media  
company in Colorado.



**SARAH BERGQUIST '18**  
was engaged to Alex Gramajo on  
November 8, 2018. They will be married  
on August 18, 2019, in Los Angeles  
County, CA.



**GERRID KNOL '18**  
began working at GV Ridges as a Manager.  
He plans to continue to advance in this  
company, as well as work in the marketing  
and sales department of his parents'  
company, Preventative Maintenance.  
Alongside these two professions, he also  
raises cattle for beef production.



**JULIA LODDER '18**  
will be attending graduate school at the  
Institute for Christian Studies in the fall to  
help further her education career.



**KELLIE (HOLLY) LANGENHOP '10** and her husband, Joel, welcomed their first son, Jack Michael, on December 1, 2018. Jack was born weighing 6 lbs., 13 oz., and measuring 20.5" long.



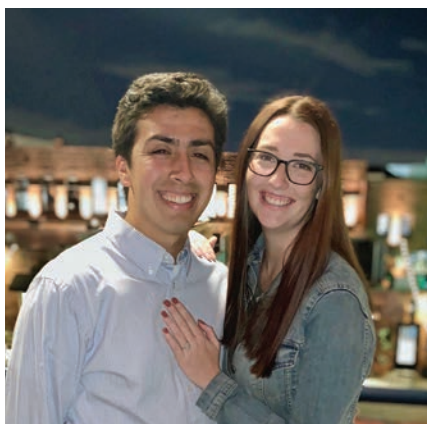
**TIMOTHY SCHEUERS '10** was ordained as a Minister of the Word and Sacraments on April 28, 2019. He serves as Associate Pastor of the First United Reformed Church of Chino, CA.



**ELLEN AVANTS '13** was engaged to Joel Balzun on November 2, 2018, and they were joined in marriage on May 19, 2019 in San Clemente, CA.



**MELISSA PARAMO '17** accepted a teaching position at Gabriella Charter Schools and is the Goalkeeper Coach for the Maranatha Boys Soccer team.



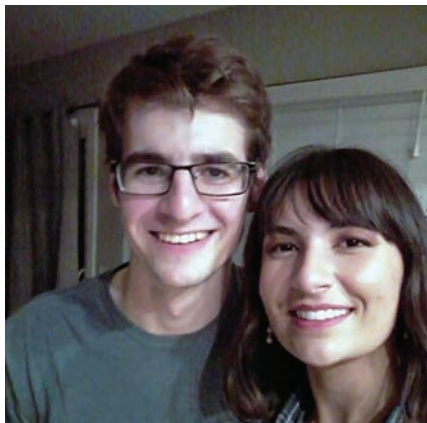
**NICK SALDIVIA '17** was engaged to **BECCA BURNEY '19** on March 7, 2019. They will be married on August 31, 2019, in Sand Canyon, CA.



**ADAM VARGAS '17** was promoted to Executive Recruiter at his company CyberCoders.



**NOAH NORRED '18** started a new job in the sales department of Stiles Machinery.



**AARON STAMPER '19** was engaged to Sarah Villagran on January 1st. They will be married on June 8th, 2019, in Fallbrook, CA.



**MORGAN ZYLSTRA '19** began working at Providence Christian College as an Admissions Counselor. She is excited to continue life-long learning through her pursuit to acquire new students for the college!



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