

## MISSION STATEMENT

Tyndale is dedicated to the pursuit of truth,  
to excellence in teaching, learning and research,  
for the enriching of mind, heart and character,  
to serve the church and the world for the glory of God.



**TYNDALE**  
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# 2023

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES  
SPRING CONVOCATION

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**Saturday, May 27, 2023**

2:00 pm

Tyndale Chapel

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Toronto, Ontario  
M2M 3S4

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**Call to Worship** *(please stand)*

Dr. Melissa Davis

*Assistant Professor of Music & Worship Arts*

**Academic Procession** *(please remain standing)*

**Invocation** *(please remain standing)*

Dr. Beth Green

*Provost & Chief Academic Officer*

**Singing of the National Anthem** *(please remain standing)*

**Indigenous Land Acknowledgment & Welcome**

Dr. Marjory Kerr

*President & Vice Chancellor*

**Graduating Student Address**

Jasmine Frost

*Introduced by Dr. Richard Davis, Professor of Philosophy*

**Scripture Readings**

Dr. Nancy Ross

*Professor of Psychology*

**Introduction of Convocation Speaker**

Dr. Richard Davis

**Convocation Address: Pursuing Your Purpose**

Tim Barnett

**Songs of Worship** *(please stand)*

**Conferring of Degrees**

Harriet Thornhill, *Chancellor*

Dr. Marjory Kerr

Dr. Barry Smith, *Vice President, Student Development*

**Prayer of Dedication**

Dr. Jen Gilbertson

*Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies*

**Congratulations from the Board of Governors**

Ross Clark

*Chair, Tyndale Board of Governors*

**Welcome to the Alumni Association**

Kevin Kirk

*Senior Vice President, External Relations*

**Closing Remarks & Benediction**

Dr. Marjory Kerr

**Academic Recession** *(please stand)*

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*During the service, please turn off all electronic devices  
and keep aisles clear.*

# GRADUATES

## BACHELOR OF ARTS HONOURS

### Philosophy

Jasmine Frost  
Andrew Peters

### Psychology

Matthew Gordon  
Shawna Mills  
Janice Park  
Mackenzie Savage  
Jarod Stehle  
Bethlehem Yeshaw

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

### Biblical Studies and Theology

Cameron Chang  
Jeremy De Aussen  
Robert Gaenzler  
Angelo Ines  
Alexander Mackenzie  
Colin McCordic  
Corrinne Okum  
Tyler Pike  
Lily-Anna Puranen  
Aldean Reid  
Joshua Samuel  
Joshua Smith  
Julianna Thompson

### Biblical Studies and Theology - Pentecostal

Caleb Owens

### Business Administration

Aaron Blizzard  
Christopher Chong  
Isaac Enkoom  
Shauna Falconer  
Cameron Lofthouse

### English

Ashlyn Arkell  
Christiana Puranen  
Lily-Anna Puranen

### History and Global Studies

Marina Hanna  
Christian Morgan  
Wannason Sinnathurai

### Health and Human Services

Amy Howells

### Human Services – Early Childhood Education

Billy Au  
Latoya Thompson

### Human Services – Social Service Work

Ffiona Campbell  
Ninah Dupee  
Amber Manns  
Abigail Quinn  
Madison Wicklam

### Linguistics

Luke Bishop

### Music - Performance

Boohyun Kim  
Kayil Torres

### Music – Worship Arts

Yalda Dabiran  
Addrene Edwards  
Naomi Lachapelle  
Alexis Lendvay  
Richard Lise  
Hannah Markowski  
Davian Mikelson

### Philosophy

Cameron Lofthouse  
Jon Mejorada

### Psychology

Savanna Ali  
Julie Bandy  
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### Youth Ministry

Gabrielle Watts

## UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

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### **Association of Christian Evangelical Ministries Scholarship in Missions**

*Ashlyn Arkell  
Shauna Falconer*

### **Betty Percy Memorial Scholarship in Music**

*Kayil Torres*

### **Doris Nixon Award**

*Abigail Quinn*

### **Dr. John McNicol Memorial Award in Biblical Studies**

*Caleb Owens*

### **Jean C. Scott Memorial Award in General Arts**

*Jasmine Frost*

### **Percy H. Harris/J.C. Macaulay Award in Ministry Studies**

*Caleb Owens  
Tyler Pike*

## GRADUATING STUDENT SPEAKER

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### **Jasmine Frost**

The eldest of three, Jasmine Frost is from Brampton, Ontario and is the first member of her extended family to attend and graduate from a university. She decided to come to Tyndale after interviewing Dr. Richard Davis for a research paper for her high school philosophy class and has since continued in philosophy whilst also exploring her interests in English and Biblical studies.

As a lover of both learning and people, Jasmine involved herself in as many areas of student life as she could, never passing up the opportunity for an impromptu conversation with a professor, staff member, or fellow student. Throughout her time at Tyndale, she worked as a Student Admissions Representative, an assistant Boehmer house leader during the online year, a maintenance apprentice on the campus facilities team, and most recently the Undergraduate Student Council President. Jasmine was also a member of the Sophia Society for three years, reintroducing their annual art and poetry exhibition and serving as Director in her fourth year. Thanks to the encouragement of her fellow students, she also performed in coffeehouses, participated in intramural ultimate frisbee, and played defense in intramural ball hockey, which is the reason to which she will appeal when explaining why she didn't score a single goal in all five years of playing!

This fall, Jasmine will begin her MA in Philosophy at Toronto Metropolitan University and hopes eventually to also explore her interests in writing, higher education, and urban renewal.

## CONVOCATION SPEAKER

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### **Tim Barnett, MA**

Tim Barnett is an apologist and speaker with Stand to Reason (STR), an apologetics ministry dedicated to training Christians to think more clearly about their faith. Tim travels across the US and Canada, speaking to thousands of people each year.

Before starting STR in 2015, Tim worked as a professional teacher, employed in both the private and public sectors. He has earned a Bachelor of Science in Physics from York University, a Bachelor of Education from Ontario Tech University, and a Master of Arts in Philosophy from Southern Evangelical Seminary. In 2020, Tim began Red Pen Logic with Mr. B, an online ministry that reached millions each month. Tim also has a forthcoming book, co-authored with Alisa Childers, titled *The Deconstruction of Christianity*.

Tim resides in the Greater Toronto Area with his wife, Stacey. They have three daughters and a Morkipoo.

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## HISTORY OF TYNDALE UNIVERSITY

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Tyndale University was founded in 1894 as the Toronto Bible Training School. Later it changed its name to Toronto Bible College and in 1968 merged with the London College of Bible and Missions to become Ontario Bible College. The Seminary was established in 1976 to offer graduate theological education. In 1998, the name Tyndale was assumed, honouring William Tyndale (1494-1536), the early English reformer whose commitment to making Scripture available to all persons led him to undertake the first English translation of the Bible from original languages. He is a model for scholarship, faith, and vision.

In 2003, following a robust review by the Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board (PEQAB), Tyndale was granted university college status by the Province of Ontario. In 2007, Tyndale received approval from the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities and from the Ontario College of Teachers to offer a Bachelor of Education program. The Seminary's graduate degrees, including the Doctor of Ministry degree, are accredited by The Commission on Accrediting of The Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada. In early 2020, following another review by PEQAB and their recommendation to the Ministry, Ministerial consent was granted to use the name Tyndale University. Tyndale's name was legally changed in December 2020 through an act of legislation to Tyndale University to clarify its standing as a postsecondary institution that focuses on high-quality academics and professional programs at the undergraduate, seminary and graduate levels.

Undergraduate level options include a BA, BBA, BRE, and BEd degree or a certificate in Christian Studies. Graduate level options include an MA, MTS, MDiv, DMin, post-DMin, or graduate diploma. Tyndale presently serves 1,600 students annually representing more than 40 denominations and 60 ethnic backgrounds. Today, Tyndale alumni are making a difference in the world and are working in private, public and not-for-profit sectors.