

UTS Alumni Association Almost End of Year Report

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Robin James Graham is president of the UTS Alumni Association [which is a separate organization from UTS and FFWPU or the UC].

This photo was taken next to the Graham family home in Beadnell, Northumberland, England. This is the land of St. Aidan the Christian missionary from Iona and later St. Cuthbert

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ALMOST END-OF-YEAR REPORT

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In February, an article described goals for 2013:

1. Publish the Cornerstone -weekly

Ongoing. Click on the month on the right hand side of the page or here Archives. On average about 300 alumni read the Cornerstone each week (not always the same 300).

2. Increase the number of active alumni (measured by the number of alumni for whom there is an active email account) from 860 to 1000.

EASIER said than done. Currently at 876. Research to follow up MIAs takes a lot of time. [There are 1750+ graduates of UTS since the first class of 1977].

3. Increase the number of "Friends of UTS alumni" who are actively connected to the alumni community from 20 (current) to 50

Growing.

4. Hold the Alumni Weekend Reunion for 2013

USA EAST COAST UTS Alumni Day Barrytown, NY Saturday, May 18th

Barrytown, Saturday May 18th

UK UTS Alumni Day. Bonsall, Saturday, 25th May

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USA WEST COAST UTS Alumni Day on Saturday, June 29th in Berkeley, CA

Berkeley, Saturday June 29th

5. Promote the 30th anniversary year for the Class of 1983

The 1983 reunion was not well attended – only 1 or 2 members of the Class of 1983 at this year's reunion. so the UTS Alumni Association Board is reconsidering annual Class Reunions for individual classes. Maybe a general reunion only 1x every 3 years. Any thoughts, support for this?

6. Create an online forum for the UTS Alumni Doctors' Circle (the circle was launched in 2012).

Looking for a coordinator for the Doctors' Circle. Dr. Thom Selover has moved to teach in Korea. There are approximately 75 alumni holding doctorates e.g M.D. , Ph.D., D. Min., etc

7. Hold two “UTS Alumni and Pentecost 2013” meetings.

RETURNING RESURRECTION is generating more interest. This subject was brought up (as a relevant discourse for alumni) at the Barrytown Alumni Day. Many alumni are aging and passing on/ascending and the question has been raised as to whether one’s work on earth is complete. The concept idea was initiated at the Alumni Reunions and the result is:

There will be a conference on Saturday December 7th

UTS, New York City Campus
Returning Resurrection Conference

8. Promote activity on the UTS Alumni Facebook site.

UTS Alumni Facebook now has 478 members and more conversations

9. Connect alumni to UTS marketing efforts.

Alumni regularly write articles which reference their class year at UTS.

10. Create a team of mentors (alumni)

A conversation about starting a mentorship program with UTS Alumni being the mentors for students and youth began about eight years ago in a meeting between Bob Spitz and Robin Graham in Ontario, CA. Many alumni have expressed that this would be a great way for them to “give back” to their communities, their church, etc. Again, an uphill path. If you have interest, feedback or success in this area, please let the UTS Alumni Association know.

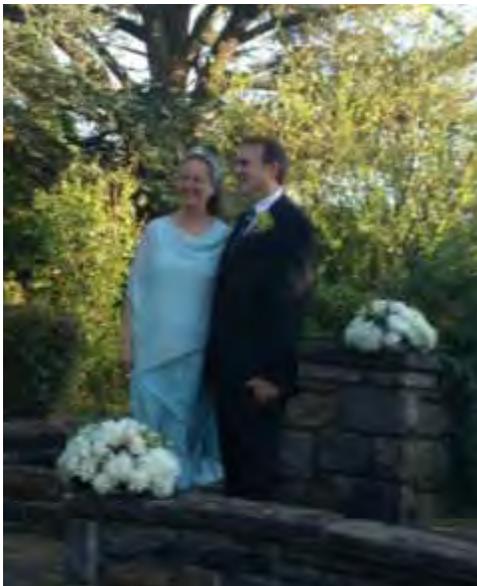
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Thanks to the handful of alumni who already support each year. It makes a great difference.

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Robin and Patricia

Robin Graham was the officiant at the wedding of Jon Healy and Yemi Pickard on October 12th at Belvedere Estate, Tarrytown NY. 170 guests, family and friends, gathered from all parts of the USA and from around the world. The reception was held at the Doubletree, Tarrytown.

Robin is seen here with his wife, Patricia, in an after ceremony photo on the south side of the Belvedere mansion.