



February 2009 Story
Concordia University College of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Braemer Campus Native Student Bursary Fund
1989-1991: \$50,000

Let us be reminded of what Our Lord has accomplished through the LWML by this brief look into our past – and encouraged, in Christ and by His grace, toward the future.

In 1985, Concordia College in Edmonton initiated the University and College Entrance Program, which is designed to prepare native students for higher education. Students and families where necessary, are brought to the Edmonton campus. Many students suffer economic hardships and in some cases have had to drop out of the program to seek employment. Temporary assistance is needed to help pay rent, utilities during severe winter months, and emergency expenses. Each student is assigned a counselor who works closely with the student (and family) regarding the academic program and also the physical well being of the families involved.

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Throughout its history, Concordia has remained grounded in the belief that the Christian faith gives purpose to life and that success depends upon spiritual maturity. Concordia fosters a Christian lifestyle on campus and encourages a dual commitment to academic excellence and religious vitality. The school motto is *Initium Sapientiae Timor Domini*-The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Today, the Concordia Bursary continues to exist as a non-repayable form of assistance given to students on the basis of financial need. Though students are expected to make plans for funding their education through primary sources, students experiencing financial difficulties while attending Concordia University College of Alberta may apply for a bursary to supplement their existing funds. The amounts can vary, depending on financial need, up to a maximum of \$1,500 per academic year.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever (Psalm 136:1).