

Kate Kiggins is looking for information and photos about missionaries here this week and their projects. Contact her through the conference office.

On **Wednesday** evening we will honor the missionaries gathered at conference this year. If you are retired or currently serving in the field (minimum three years) make sure Don Dawson has your name. There is a dinner to honor you and a reception following the evening meeting. In between the delux food and drinks please join the worship team on stage for the evening meeting.

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE?

Family Dorms	BROWNE/GALBREATH
Jr Highs	RUSSELL
High School Men	SHAW
High School Women	FERGUSON
Young Adults	HILLSIDE
Career	SPRINKLED
Adult	EICHENAUER
Campus Bookstore	MCKELVEY
Conference Bookstore	PATTERSON
Mission Bazaar	PATTERSON
Child Care	PRESB. CHURCH
Juniors	FIELD HOUSE

Missionaries and Cultural Preservation

Thanks to the benevolence of dozens of missionaries, Westminster College has developed a sizeable collection of museum-quality items of cultural significance. Included is a **2300 year old human Egyptian mummy**, the gift of Rev. John Giffen. The mummy and other cultural artifacts are on exhibit in the McGill and Mack libraries and the McKelvey Campus Center. They are accessible Monday through Friday 9:00am – 2:00pm. **Today from 2-4PM**, knowledgeable persons will be at the mummy exhibit in Mack Library to answer questions.

Africa the Game: Have you ever pulled out a board game only to find some of the pieces are missing? Everyone knows you can't play "Clue" without professor Plum. Now there is a game where **you** are the playing piece. Just like the life size chessboard in Harry Potter. You take the journey through life in Africa with many of the obstacles, challenges and experiences on a giant floor game board. Come to the Mission Display in McKelvey this afternoon to "experience" Africa. The game is appropriate for fourth grade and up. Find "Africa" on the third floor.

AIDS KITS Have you finished unpacking? All items brought for the aids kits need to be placed in the box in your dorm lobby. If you brought a donation in lieu of items, come to the conference office. They will be glad to receive your cash or check. Suggested Donation \$15

Do you know AL? At the McKelvey Dining Hall entrance there is a table covered with missionary biographies and a stack of mailing labels. The Faith and Freedom Foundation will send you any book you choose. All you have to do is fill out a mailing label requesting the book that interests you. While you're there pick up Al's pamphlet, an inspirational account of his life in which he points out important points in his journey.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER INITIATIVE

As Christians we believe that God hears and answers prayer. Many believers are coming from area churches to join us in intercessional, intensive, and intentional prayer. We invite any staff to join us. The prayer room is in Thompson Clark Science Hall, room 206. Specific prayer requests can be brought to this room or left at the back of Anderson Auditorium. Anyone desiring prayer is invited to come to the room for prayer.

Field House
Pool Hours
today are 1-5.
The spot is
not open
today.

Tired of walking? Need a lift? No worries! Catch the NWMC Shuttle and save your tired feet. Throughout the week there will be a shuttle you can catch to get to different activities and meetings. Check out the lobby of your dorm for flyers detailing times and destinations.

Shuttle Schedule

7:15 a.m. – Eichenauer Dormitory to Browne Dining Hall
8:00 a.m. – Browne Dining Hall to Eichenauer
8:40 a.m. – Eichenauer to New Wilmington Presbyterian church
10:40 a.m. – New Wilmington Presbyterian Church to Anderson Auditorium
12:15 p.m. – Anderson Auditorium to Browne Dining Hall
1:00 p.m. – Browne Dining Hall to Eichenauer
5:00 p.m. – Eichenauer to Browne Dining Hall
6:00 p.m. – Browne Dining Hall to New Wilmington Presbyterian Church
7:30 p.m. – New Wilmington Presbyterian Church to Anderson
9:15 p.m. – Anderson Auditorium to Eichenauer

Summer Service: A Day in the Life of...Dehan Courtney

So here are just a couple of facts I have found out, from being a contractor and as Ben and Renee pointed out maybe the tallest person in Guatemala. You take things for granted back home like running up steps but here the steps don't have to be a certain height or depth so I have tripped bunches of times. Doors oh how I hate doors, here they are never the same height even in the same house you will find different height doors and at one house I ended up on my back 'cuz they had taken a tall door and just put a bar across a foot down from the top and put a shorter "door" in. Along the same lines awnings are right about eye level and made from sheet metal, every where you go there is bob wire and razor wire on every wall but some are so short and stick in to the side walk that even Aaron has nicked his hat on them. Houses here are so simple and easy to build with next to no outlets and hardly any running water. They also don't waste any space in the richer houses that we stayed in at language school the restrooms are located under stair ways. so if you would like, go walk next to your stairs and make them a little steeper and then put a toilet and sink you could wash your hands from on the toilet and a door all under them it makes for an interesting time. dehan<><

Find out more about the Summer Service trip to Guatemala at *Sound and Light* on Monday Night!!

Young adults may sign up for a Summer Service interview in Hillside Lobby. The interviews are Mon.-Fri. from 9am – 10:30 am and from 2 pm – 4:30 pm on the 3rd floor of McKelvey. Summer Service is open to YA's who have been out of high school for at least 1 year and who are not older than 23 years. Team Members must be able to serve for the months of June and July of the year following the interview.

Looking for information about opportunities to help raise up the next generation of leadership in mission and ministry? **"THAT ALL MAY KNOW"** brochures may be found in the Conference office or on the tables at the back of Anderson Auditorium next to the Ethiopian baskets.

There will be two **board members** in the McKelvey tub every day from 2 – 3pm. Come by to **share your thoughts** and ideas. The board is hungry for your words. Feed them.

Would you like to provide for yourself and your family now, and leave a legacy to the Conference or the NWMC Endowment Foundation in the Future? You can do this through careful **Planned Giving**. (You don't have to be "old" to do this!) Do **Wills, Bequests, Annuities, and Charitable Remainder Trusts** mystify you? **Mr. Phil Blake** of the **Presbyterian Foundation** will be on hand at the Mission Display on Sunday 1:30-4:30 p.m. to answer your questions about these and other Estate Planning Tools to **meet your needs now and benefit NWMC in the Future**. Also learn how you can benefit the Conference through a tax-free rollover of your IRA up to \$100,000. Don't miss this excellent opportunity for expert advice.

MOTHER TERESA'S FEET

There's only one thing you needed to know about Mother Teresa. And that one thing said it all. Her feet. A few years before Mother Teresa died, our friend Shane Claiborne, an urban monk in Philadelphia's "The Simple Way" movement, had the opportunity to work and worship with the Sisters of Charity in Calcutta. In keeping with Eastern tradition, Mother Teresa and all the sisters ritually take their shoes off as they kneel and enter into the hallowed ground of prayer. Shane was stunned to see that when Mother Teresa's feet were unshod, they were so gnarled and twisted they appeared to be crippled and deformed by some malady. After prayer Shane inquired of one sister, "What disease caused Mother Teresa's feet to look like that?" "Oh, it's not a disease," the sister replied, "it's just that when the community receives a new donation of shoes, Mother always has everyone else choose first. She only wears whatever shoes are left over." A lifetime of wearing mismatched, undersized, broken-out, crumpled-up shoes had transformed Mother Teresa's own feet into mismatched, undersized, broken and crumpled appendages. Like a ballet dancer, Mother Teresa's feet reflected her dedication, her complete submersion of self in mission, in witness, in love-for-thy-neighbor. The grace-filled dance of her life was carried out on ugly, wounded feet. When Jesus appeared before his disciples, they were both terrified and overjoyed. Their typical human reactions and expectations led them to rejoice that their master was alive and yet recoil with horror because they knew that Jesus had been killed. (Note: Jesus didn't die. Jesus was killed.) Since Jesus had been killed, this thing before them must be some sort of ghost, an otherworldly apparition, unpredictable, possibly dangerous. To convince them that he is flesh and bone Jesus gets right down to the nitty-gritty, grubby reality of physical existence. He shows them his hands and his feet. This might not seem very dramatic to us. But in Eastern culture feet are considered the dirtiest, most uncouth and unclean part of the human body. By showing his hands and feet Jesus demonstrates not only the physical reality of his flesh and blood; not only reveals again the wounds from the nails that had held him on the cross until he died. But Jesus also shows his disciples the shockingly common, grubby and grungy realness of his resurrected self. Jesus' real-life feet are dusty and dirty, pierced and bloody. Like all human feet they're an affront to the Eastern sense of decency and decorum. Since throughout his ministry their Master had always been doing and saying things that shocked common sensibilities, it may have been this action, more than anything else, that helped convince the doubting disciples that it was in fact Jesus himself standing before them. Who else by Jesus would stick his feet up in the faces of his friends and ask them to take a good look, even to touch them! The feet were seen as the dirtiest part of the human body, bad none. When Jesus knelt down to wash his disciples' feet, when the resurrected Jesus invited his disciples to touch his feet, he was teaching all his followers not to lose their footing.

-submitted by Pam Courtney

Take Perspectives – it'll ruin you for the ordinary!

-- Floyd McClung, Director of Mission Village,
Youth with a Mission (YWAM)

Over 600 instructors, more than 150 locations annually, and over 6000 people taught each year, the Perspectives on the World Christian Movement is making huge strides in the church world. Through this course you will discover what God is doing around the world and consider your part in His purposes. One of the topics that will be discussed throughout the course is the history of the expansion and the pioneers of the Christian Movement. To better understand this history, knowledge of the history of the course is also needed to see the amazing growth and acceptance of this God-Driven movement!

History of Perspectives

1973 At the Urbana 1973 student missions conference, 28% of those attending indicated that they were eager to commit their lives to missions. This was over a 300% increase from the 8% who signed the decision card at Urbana '70. Realizing that students would base their decisions to serve in missions on the information they had available, Dr. Ralph Winter, then a professor at the School of World Mission at Fuller Seminary, designed a course which would help fill in the information gaps which likely existed for these students.

1974 Held in Wheaton, IL in the summer following Urbana '73, the first course was called the Summer Institute of International Studies (SIIS). It gave an overview of missions from Biblical, Historical, Cultural, and Strategic perspectives. Over nine weeks, a series of guest professors came to each spend a week with the students, share meals with them, and also share their passion for God's global purposes.

1976-2001 While the course preceded the formation of the U.S. Center for World Mission, as the USCWM was founded in 1976 in Pasadena CA, many among the small staff came from the SIIS alumni pools. After three more summer SIIS offerings, the course developed a semester-long format as well as the intensive month-long summer program. In 1980, the first extension class was held at Penn State University. The *Perspectives* Reader text was published in 1981, and is now known to be the most widely-used missions text in all colleges and seminaries as well as in the course once known as SIIS, now called *Perspectives*. To equip future course coordinators, a training workshop to facilitate ongoing extension classes began in 1983. As the training also grew by extension, in 1986 this coordinator training began to be held at numerous extension sites throughout the United States. By the late 80s, over 8,000 people had taken the course, and exponential growth continues. At the latest count, nearly 50,000 have taken the formal course, and another 100,000 have used the text or major excerpts.

COME SEE JEN HADDOX AT TODAY'S MISSION DISPLAY TO BEGIN YOUR JOURNEY.

Volunteers are needed to help out in ChildCare. If you are a Career or Adult delegate and wish to help out during meeting times for a morning or evening session, please see Ann McCord or go to the child care area (NWP Church) and sign up.

Please remember to pick up your children from Child Care promptly after the meeting times. As much as we love your children, they love you more!!

COMMISSIONING SERVICE WILL BE FRIDAY NIGHT

ANYONE being sent in mission, anytime during the following year, no matter how long or by whom: please come forward at the end of Friday evening's service to be commissioned. We would like to send you into the world with the prayers of NWMC. Please give your name to Don Dawson or the conference office.

Rebecca Young continued

comfortable in that role." When her Indonesian visa expired in 1993, the Asheville, NC, native decided to return to the U.S. to enter Columbia theological Seminary in Decatur, GA. The daughter of two Presbyterian pastors, admission into seminary was a kind of homecoming for Young. She thrived in the academic environment of Columbia, where she was encouraged by the faculty to pursue a course of doctoral study at Fordham University. It was at Fordham that she received her Ph.D. in contemporary systematic theology. In the meantime, she was ordained to the ministry. Upon completing her dissertation, Young found herself newly unemployed and on the job market when the Asian Tsunami hit in 2004. Because she was a Presbyterian minister with a public health background who spoke the Indonesian language, Young decided to offer her services to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, which hired and deployed her immediately to do relief work in the tsunami area. It was during that time that she met the president of Jakarta Theological Seminary, who informed her that the seminary's systematic theology professor was leaving. Young sensed God at work in their encounter.

"I am the perfect case study that trust in God

puts it all together," she observed. "After years of feeling that I couldn't connect the dots of my own life experience, I saw that God was instead connecting them for me into this beautiful picture." That "beautiful picture" is now a call to the seminary teaching position under the auspices of the Mission Initiative: Joining Hearts and Hands (MIJHH), the five year campaign of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to raise \$40 million for the new international mission personnel and for church development in the U.S., particularly racial ethnic and immigrant congregations.

The projected cost of Young's three-year term is estimated at \$159,000, for which she and MIJHH national staff team are currently fundraising. Congregations in Young's home Presbytery of Western North Carolina have already committed a total of \$14,750 toward her new ministry.

"When I left Indonesia after more than three years of mission work in the health field, I felt called to return to the U.S. to get a theological education with the goal of becoming a seminary professor," Young said. "I wanted to help pastors in training to understand the international aspects of Christianity and our worldwide mission under God. That was 14 years ago. To see that dream finally come to fruition after all this time is truly a sign of the miraculous leading of the Holy Spirit in my life."

Monday's Highlights

Mission Bazaar begins Summer Service Interviews begin **Praise Choir Rehearsals** Begin Summer Service presents Sound and Light **Steve Saint Documentary** Beyond the Gates of **Splendor** Campus Bookstore and Computer Lab open **Mission Leaders Lunch** Begins Mission Workshop begins **New Wilmington Rotary Meeting** Basketball and Soccer begin **Jim Walker**

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"...How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" – Romans 10:15

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

Hospitality Suite: 11:00 – 4:30PM *Shenango Presbyterian SeniorCare (every day)*

Enter through the Market Street entrance across from New Wilmington Presbyterian Church and follow the signs. Enjoy an afternoon snack and take the opportunity to see the grounds

Schutz Reunion: 12:30 PM, *NWPC*

The 43rd Annual Reunion of the Schutz American School, Alexandria, Egypt will be held at 12:30 PM in the Social Hall of the New Wilmington Presbyterian Church. Lunch will be served at 1:00PM and a short business meeting which will include a report from SASAF Board will be held at 2:30PM. Former students, staff and friends are invited to come for fellowship time together.

Choir Rehearsal: 1:15-2:15 *McKelvey With'spoon*

Carillon Concert: 6:15-6:45 PM, *Campus-wide*
Listen up for Paul Musser's carillon concert tonight. Truly a blessing for the heart and mind.

Sideshow: 9:15PM, *McKelvey Student Lounge*
Youth! Tonight's Sideshow is the game Singing Bee. Be the king or queen of useless knowledge!

Today at NWPC: Rebecca Young

Although a rich tradition of missionary and pastoral service runs deep in her blood, Rebecca Young will not hesitate to say that ministry was the last thing in the world that she ever thought of doing.

"The first call to which I really responded grew out of my desire to do my part to relieve world hunger," Young said. "I knew from the time that I started my master's degree in public health nutrition that I would use it to go overseas to work in a developing country to help hungry people." After receiving her degree, Young worked on the island of New Guinea as a nutrition consultant for three years. It was during this time that she learned the language and served at an indigenous Christian health agency.

"Since it was the church that sent me to Indonesia in the first place, I was already expected to be able to lead public prayers," Young recalled. "Then when the people there stated asking me to preach, too, I was too polite to say no. Eventually, much to my surprise, I discovered that I felt very

See back

CHATTER FOR ALL

Starting tomorrow, The Chatter will have four editions!

Each will be marked for your specific group:

Junior High: Yellow High School: Purple
Young Adult: Blue Career/Adult: White

Watch for your customized Chatter!

Distributed in Dorm Lobbies, Dining Halls, and Anderson Auditorium

Mission Display Today!

1:30 – 4:30

McKelvey Campus Center 2nd & 3rd Floor

miss this and you're missing the point.

Rotarians are invited to get a meeting point at the New Wilmington Rotary Club Meeting on Monday, July 23 at 6:15 at the Ryders Restaurant two miles west of NW on PA208/PA18. District 7280 Governor, Dr Fred Brenner, will be the speaker. Please make reservations by calling PDG George Hart at 724-946-8165.

Career Delegates: L8R tonight there will be a chocolate extravaganza in Browne lobby. I really tried to say something clever about this but Chocolate extravaganza really says it all.

Foundation Factoid:

Q: Last year NWMC needed \$84,364 to balance its budget. Where did it get that money?
A: The NWMC Endowment Foundation

SILENT QUILT AUCTION: There will be a silent auction on an African quilt as a fundraiser for the Lois Anderson Memorial fund for seminary students in Kenya. Lois Anderson, a long time missionary in Africa, and her daughter, Zelda White, were tragically killed in a car-jacking in Kenya in late January 2007. A memorial fund has been established to provide money for seminary students in Kenya.

David and Colleen Derby met Bill and Lois Anderson at the NWMC several years ago and have visited them in South Carolina. When the Derbys attended the memorial service for Lois and Zelda in New Wilmington in February, the memorial fund for Kenyan students was mentioned. Colleen, a quilter, decided to make a quilt using African-looking fabrics as a fund-raiser. As the Derbys traveled this spring, they visited many quilt shops searching for the right fabrics. Colleen pieced the quilt top, and a friend, Kim Templin, quilted it.

The quilt is 78" wide and 95" long and would nicely fit a double bed. It will be hanging at the missions display in McKelvey on Sunday, July 22nd starting at 1:30 p.m. During the rest of the week, the quilt will be displayed in the bookstore.

Silent bids will be accepted from Sunday through Thursday by placing them in a pocket next to the quilt. The highest bid will be announced on Friday. Thank you for your support of this memorial fund honoring our dear friend, Lois Anderson, and her daughter, Zelda White.

Are you taking digital photos this year? You can submit them for display in Anderson Auditorium. If you have old photos from previous years we'll take those now to kick off the week! See Ron Johnson in the back of Anderson or make arrangements with **Desta Courtney**. He's the man with the camera at Anderson every day. Desta can take your pictures directly from your camera quickly and painlessly. If you're unable to share them now, after conference you can e-mail pictures directly to Desta or send a disc to the conference office. All of these photos are displayed on the web-site year round. Some may be selected for publicity materials.

High School Men's Vespers - Image: How the world sees us

High School Women's Vespers - Fallen Beauty: distorted images from a broken world

Those who want to play Basketball and Soccer need to sign up by the evening meal on Sunday: Youth delegates in the dining halls and Adults and Career in the dorms. Softball, Volleyball and Ultimate Frisbee will be pick up. Thank you. John Baumann, Athletics

At Anderson Auditorium this Morning: Steve Saint continues his message "Sweet Feet." Get the book and DVD "End of the Spear" in the conference bookstore.

Mission Leaders Luncheon	Mission Workshop
Starting on Monday join us in McKelvey. Go to the front of the lunch line in the TUB dining hall on the first floor. Take your lunch to the second-floor Berlin student lounge. Learn about more specific mission areas in a relaxed atmosphere. Lunches begin at approximately 12:45 and end by 1:30pm Monday - Friday.	Come on over to air-conditioned Mueller Theater on the second floor. Hear about medical missions, changes in Presbyterian missions, motivating your congregation for mission and how to educate your congregation about mission involvement. Workshops are from 3:00 to 4:45pm Monday - Thursday.
Lights! Camera! Mission!	Sound and Light
Come and see this new mission opportunity Monday through Friday at NWMC where mission and movies meet. Whether it's looking at Harry Potter through the lens of the Bible or watching a movie that advances the Cause of Jesus Christ. Come to Mueller Theater from 1:30-3:15 pm in the McKelvey Student Center.	Want a great ending to an interesting day learning about mission? After the evening meeting come back to the air-conditioned Mueller Theater on the second floor. Multi-media presentations and personnel (including Summer Service) from Guatemala, Pakistan, Turkey and Native America are presented Monday through Thursday evening. Sound and light begins twenty minutes after the evening meeting ends, so hoof it up that hill!

Conference Bookstore: Come See What's New!

Now that you're unpacked, did you forget anything? Do you have your Bible? A water bottle? Fun toys for your free time? The Conference Bookstore, located downstairs in Patterson Hall, is up and running, and ready to help you out!

We are open: **Sunday: 2-5pm**
Mon-Thurs: 1-5 pm
Friday: 1-3 pm

We don't do toothbrushes, but we do have a wide assortment of Bibles and books, great music, water bottles and smiles for all! Grab your roommate and come on in!

Conference Choir: ALL Delegates welcome! You do not need to know how to read music. You will receive your music at the first practice. Practice starts **today!**