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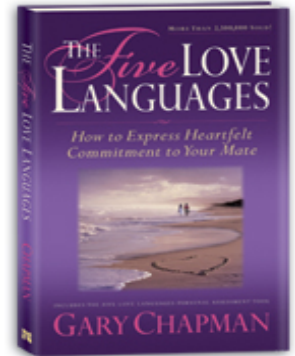
## LEARN YOUR LOVE LANGUAGE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

"I really mean the nice words I say, but she tells me she just doesn't feel loved."

"He knows that I'm always doing favors for him, yet he seems to want more than that."

If you've wondered about statements like these, then the upcoming *Five Love Languages* seminar might interest you. All of us speak different love languages. Do you know what they are? Do you know what yours is? Or your partner's?

On **Saturday, February 17, from 9 a.m. to noon**, at **Columbia's Crossroads Campus**, Janet and Greg Loewer will host a Video Seminar featuring Gary Chapman and *The Five Love Languages*. This seminar is for couples and singles. Invite friends and co-workers to come learn the different languages of love. Registration is only \$5, payable at the door. Continental breakfast will be provided and preschool child care is available upon request at registration. Register online at [www.columbiabaptist.org](http://www.columbiabaptist.org) or at the Welcome Center at either campus.



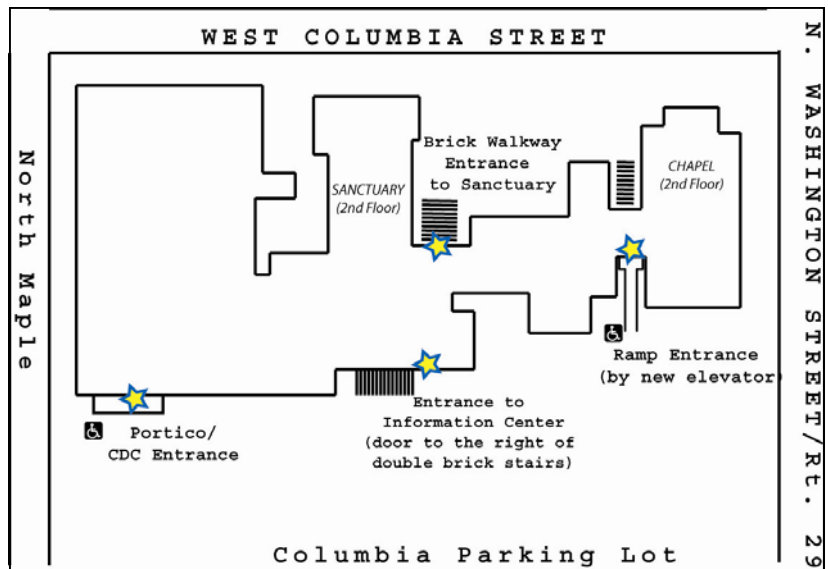
Whatever your position in your family or the church family, this seminar can change your life. Learn about the 5 languages people use to communicate love; determine what language best meets your needs, **and** the needs of the people you care about.

## YOUR HELP NEEDED...

Starting in February, Columbia's Falls Church campus will try something new in an effort to ensure the safety and security of the building and its occupants throughout the week. This new procedure is based on a recommendation from the Fire Marshall and the Police Department.

**Beginning Tuesday, February 20**, the doors marked with "star" (see map to the right) will be unlocked from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday, with the exception of the Portico/CDC Entrance door which will open at 7 a.m. daily. On Sundays all doors will be unlocked from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. (per usual).

We welcome your feedback regarding this new process. Please email us at [yourdoors@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:yourdoors@columbiabaptist.org) with your questions and comments.



## Another Family Night at Columbia.

Celebrate Valentine's Day with your church family on Wednesday, February 14. Join us for a special dinner (see menu on page 7) and an evening of fun. Dinner is served from 5:15 to 6:45 p.m. Price: \$5/adults, \$3/children, \$18/family maximum

## AVAILABLE IN THE COLUMBIA BOOKSTORE

### Do You Want to Make Great Big Changes in Your Life?

Best-selling author John Trent has realized that, despite the boom in spiritual books pointing to the promise of a more meaningful life, the process of actually changing one's life is still too overwhelming to hundreds of thousands of readers.

*The 2-Degree Difference* is his response to that reality. This dynamic book begins with the parable of a man who has tried every motivational resource available, but still keeps falling apart. That is until two men—a world apart—show him how to move from wanting to change to actually changing, two degrees at a time.

Following the parable, Trent provides real-life insight along with a study guide that any person or small group can use to keep moving forward. In the short time it will take you to read this book, you will discover a small, incredibly powerful principle that can begin the crucial steps toward real change, purpose, and commitment. See how small change can change everything!

*The Message*, by Eugene Peterson, is a popular paraphrase translation, and is now offered in a one-year format: *The Daily Message*. Each Bible reading includes an inspirational word from Psalms or Proverbs, and concludes with contemplative questions.

Also available in a one-year format is *The Message Remix: Pause*. The same paraphrase translation, with book preface from Eugene Peterson. The Bookstore also carries other versions of one-year format Bibles, such as the *Chronological Bible*, and the *MacArthur Daily Study Bible*.

Can't wait for Spring? Start pondering your time well-spent on the links with *The Master's Grip*, by Jim Sheard. *The Master's Grip* has 67 one-page devotions showing parallels between life, golf, and faith in the same format and style as best-seller *In His Grip*. Devotions feature quotes from golfers such as Jack Nick-

laus, Tommy Armour, Paul Runyon, Lanny Watkins, Bobby Jones, Arnold Palmer, Ernie Els, and others in the profession. Each devotional thought includes a title, scriptures, a key verse, devotional thought about golf and life, and a swing thought to summarize the application.

Mike Linder was an English teacher and is now a Catholic priest, but he has been an avid, mostly average golfer his whole life. As such, he has taken the game on his spiritual journey. Having been a student of the game and a fan since he was a kid, his insights in *Play It As It Lies* about balancing mental, physical and emotional sides; control versus letting go; and taking responsibility are truly universal. This is an excellent read for the avid golfer, as well as the novice more interested in the real lessons of this most complicated and frustrating of games.

*God Plays Golf!* Well, maybe. In this book, David Curry shows that golf really is a great example of God's plan of salvation. With fascinating parallels and stories from a not-so-hot golfer, this book is a tool for finding God or sharing Him with friends.

### BOOKSTORE HOURS



Sundays 8 a.m.—1 p.m.  
Mondays 6 p.m.—9 p.m.  
Wednesdays 4 p.m.—7:30 p.m.  
Other hours, by request

You may also place an order by emailing:

[bookstore@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:bookstore@columbiabaptist.org)

**Remember: Anything can be special ordered and, if requested, shipped directly to your home.**

**The Columbia Bookstore uses the same distributors as major book chains — if they can get it, we can get it!**

for women only

## PILLARS OF FAITH BREAKFAST

The women of Columbia are invited to a potluck breakfast on **Saturday, March 10, 8:30 a.m.** In the "Dining Room" at Columbia's Crossroads campus. Come hear one of our pillars of the faith, Rachel Farris, share how God is working in her life. Bring your favorite breakfast casserole, muffins, fruit or whatever you like to eat for breakfast. We will share our food and the rich fellowship we have in Christ. Spon-

## SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for this spring's Women's Retreat, **April 27-29**. This year's retreat theme: *The Bloomyery — Where Women Blossom in Faith and Friendship*. Mark your calendar now, and plan to attend this lush and lively garden getaway. Sponsored by the Women's Ministry Team.

## EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER—SPOTLIGHT ON CLARE TUNBRIDGE

This month we highlight an individual who has made a significant contribution to Columbia over the past three years. Clare Tunbridge joined us in early 2004 after arriving to work at the British Embassy. She visited with us her very first Sunday in the U.S. and quickly set about finding her place of service at Columbia.

Clare first connected with the Single Adult Sunday class where she eventually became a leader and one of a rotating team of facilitators. Clare also helped to plan retreats, resulting in sling-shot-rocket-egg launching like Singles have never seen, and other various events.

Through this class she got connected to the Columbia Center for Missions, serving with other Single Adults on the first Saturday of each month. Here too, Clare became a dedicated leader, coordinating volunteers each month and assisting clients with her caring and capable style. Always organized and prepared, Clare also knew how to encourage her team members, often bringing Dunkin Doughnuts and coffee to share through the morning. This has been a significant ministry of Clare's in her time here.



**Clare painting Jenna Wingfield's face for the WIRED! Eggstraveganza in April 2005. Photo Credit: Ricky Tilson**

Says Georgi Hall, overall CCM Coordinator: "[Clare] is an excellent teacher and leader. Everyone that works with her loves and respects her. She recruited new people to work in the food pantry including some middle school youth. She was excellent with the clients. Clare always made sure the pantry was in as good or better shape

when she left than when she arrived. She has a great sense of humor."

In 2005, Clare also became involved in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday evening Children's Ignition Point Discipleship program. In this setting, Clare's love of crafts, games, and all things fun and crazy first became evident to Columbia. "Clare is clutch . . . like MacGyver, give her a bandana, some face paints, and a roll of duct tape, and you've got a game to occupy 30 teenagers in an empty field for an hour!" raved a fellow Columbia youth worker.

When WIRED! was formed in the fall of 2005, Clare quickly was recruited as a core team member for the Sunday evening youth group for grades 6-8. Whether it is sleeping on the ground in a box on Homeless Night, directing the cracking of eggs on someone's head, running through a corn maze in the dark, or commanding the VBS crafts tent for the sum-

**Clare preparing to spend the night outside during the WIRED! Homeless Night. Photo Credit: Mary Lynn Pickel**



mer mission trip to Louisiana, Clare will be found surrounded by youth who have come to respect her gifts and wise advice—all dispensed with a charming accent, of course.

In addition to her "regular" ministries, Clare was also ready to serve with other teams when needed. From

building game booths for the outdoor Ministry Fair to face painting at School Supply Day, Clare exhibits a myriad of talents. One task that was especially well suited to Clare was helping the Women's Ministry Team host a High Tea in October. Says Sandy Tarpinian, WMT Leader: "Clare became the "beacon" of our planning committee for the recent Women's Tea. She guided us in how to plan a proper tea and gathered us on two occasions in the kitchen at Falls Church to learn the art of scone baking. Clare delighted the women at the tea with a humorous and informative audio-visual presentation on the history, traditions and finer points of serving a High Tea. While the Tea was a real team effort, we could never have done it without Clare!"

Clare was also involved in the Falls Church Wind Band, serving in her community and building relationships there.

So why do we highlight Clare this month? Certainly to thank her for her selfless service over the past three years as her time with us comes to a close in mid-February when she returns to England. But, there is another reason too. With so many Columbian's who are in similar situations to Clare's, in the Washington area only for a short period of time, and with many of us that may find ourselves in this situation at some point in our life, it is valuable to see how much impact can be made in a short period of time when you arrive with a servant's heart and are quick to get invested. Clare has said many times that, while the job was the thing that brought her here, Columbia is the reason she is here. What a blessing we and she would have missed, if she had decided there was no need to get too deeply involved for her short-term stay.

So, to Clare we say, "Thank you and God bless you as you leave us in a few short weeks. Many thanks for blessing our lives and the lives of so many in our community."

To the rest of us, we say, "Jump in! No time is too short to find a ministry and make a lasting impact."

To learn more about any of the ministries mentioned here or other serving opportunities at Columbia, please contact Jeanine Aronowitz, Director of Lay Ministry.



**Clare at Columbia's Food Pantry, where she led the first Saturday volunteers. Photo Credit: Jeanine Aronowitz**

## ADOPTING OLDER CHILDREN ...

### Making a Difference in the Lives of Waiting Children

Has your family ever considered adopting an older child or teen who needs a home? *Project Wait No Longer (PWNL)* is specifically designed for couples or singles who are considering adoption of an older child between the ages of 2 and 16. PWNL aims to restore the hope and to fulfill the longing for permanency for children and teens in the foster care system. The number of older children living their lives in public foster care is staggering. Over 500,000 children nationwide face this daily reality and have no permanent home. PWNL was established in 2005 to find permanent homes for older children by recruiting, training and preparing families committed to adopting an older child.

Columbia member, Carol Huttar, project director, is interested in talking with any who might be interested in exploring this need. Carol will host a luncheon on Saturday, February 10, from 11 a.m. to noon at Columbia@Falls Church in Room 229. The meal and information

session will last only one hour. Information will be provided that helps you understand who the children are, who is eligible to adopt, what kind of training is required and any other questions you might have concerning older child adoption.

If you or anyone you know is interested in learning more about this opportunity, please make plans today to attend the luncheon on February 10. There is no charge for this luncheon. Make a reservation by calling Nancy Walker, Pastor for Congregational Care, or Betsy Pankey at 703-534-5740, x 263 or by emailing [spankey@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:spankey@columbiabaptist.org). You may also contact Carol Huttar, MSW, LGSW, The Barker Foundation at [chuttar@barkerfoundation.org](mailto:chuttar@barkerfoundation.org) or by calling 301-664-9664.

## GRIEF SHARE GROUP STARTS THIS MONTH

GriefShare group starts Thursday, February 15, room 222 (the parlor), 7-9pm

GriefShare is a 13-week grief recovery ministry that is offered periodically at Columbia. It is part seminar, part support group; Christ-centered and biblically based. Anyone who desires to participate is welcome. GriefShare can help begin the healing process that is needed following the loss of someone close.

The group is limited to a maximum of 12 persons. GriefShare will be facilitated by Ed and Jo Mierke, Columbia members who led GriefShare this past fall. Ed and Jo work alongside Dale Keeton at the Columbia Counseling Center and bring good insight and expertise into this opportunity.

You may register at the Information Center, or by contacting Nancy Walker, Pastor for Congregational Care, or by filling in the registration form on the back of one of the GriefShare brochures available at both campuses, and mailing or turning it in. There is a fee of \$15 per person to cover the cost of materials.

## DO YOU WANT A REWARDING SUMMER TRIP?

Jeanine and Danny Aronowitz are leading a mission trip to Appalachia (in East Tennessee) from **July 1 - 7, 2007**. We will be performing light construction and other home repair projects to improve the lives of those in need. No experience is needed.

Please join us for a brief informational meeting immediately after the 11:15 service on **Sunday, February 11 in Room 209** (the Library) to learn how you can participate in this rewarding summer mission trip. See you there!



## A PLACE TO BELONG

“People feel they belong to a faith community when they are recognized and known by name, when they feel they are making a contribution to the community, and when their experiences, thoughts, and feeling are valued,” Abigail Johnson states in her book *Reflecting with God: Connecting Faith and Daily Life in Small Groups*.



She is right, we all have a desire to belong, to be a part of a community, to be recognized, to be valued.

We seem to have an inbred need to come home to a place that is warm, welcoming and family. At Columbia one of the best places to find this sense of belonging, to build and connect with folks who can become family for you, is through an Ignition Group.

Whether Sunday morning, Tuesday morning or about any night of the week, there are Ignition Groups meeting - building community, digging into the Word and sharing faith and life together. We have Ignition Groups for men, for women, for singles, for couples, youth, children - anyone. We have Ignition Groups that are sermon-based; some study a particular book of the Bible, or study the Women of the Bible, or study parenting; they pray together, and hold each other accountable. We are blessed with a great variety of Ignition Groups. If we don't have one that fits you we will help create one that does.

Come find your place to belong at Columbia. For questions, specifics, check on the ministry wall or contact Sandi Evans Rogers, Pastor for Faith Formation.

## NEW SUNDAY MORNING IGNITION GROUPS AT 11:15 AM

*For Women Only*, Room 127

Join a leadership team of women, including Debbie Baucom, Brenda Belote, and Sandi Evans Rogers, as we immerse ourselves in the lives of women of the Bible, to discover places where our lives intersect with theirs. The group is studying one woman a week through Women of the Bible: 52 Studies for Individuals and Groups. Come join this engaging group of women as they seek to understand these women's lives, and discover the God behind their stories.

*After the Sermon*, Room 230

Have you ever had a question about something Dr. Baucom said? Have you wanted a place to review and dig deeper into a thought developed in the sermon? Did the scripture or sermon ever leave you wanting more? Have you ever seen the ignition notes but never quite got around to using them? Join **Bill Belote** and **David Rogers** as they facilitate a discussion *After the Sermon* each week.

*Value Packed Parenting: Raising Rock-Solid Kids in a Pleasure-driven world*,

Room 108

In seven weeks topics such as: *It's Never too Late to Become a Better Parent, Staying Tuned In So They Don't Tune You Out, Why Teaching and Learning Are Better than Punishment and Penalties, Observe the Warning Signs before Tempers Flare, Recognize Your Children's Differences and Turn Them into Advantages, and Helping Kids Overcome the Negative Influence of the Internet, The Media and Technology* will be addressed through the video teaching of **Dr. Kevin Leman**, an internationally known Christian psychologist, best-selling author, speaker, and media personality. Discussion each week will be facilitated by **Jim and Jen Turner**.

## THE WAY OF THE CHILD CONTEMPLATIVE RETREAT

March 30-31, 2007

In the family of God we are all God's children. Come explore new ways to experience his Presence through prayer, meditation, reflection and more.

This Contemplative Retreat is for God's children of all ages: adults, youth, singles, families with elementary school aged children. Mark your calendar now and look for more information in the days ahead on the ministry wall, the *March Catalyst*, the *Flashpoint* and *Hot Sheet*.

## DISCOVERING THE WAY OF THE SHEPHERD

The Faith Formation Ministry Area Retreat is scheduled for Friday, February 23 beginning @ 8 p.m. and will conclude in the late afternoon on Saturday, February 24, at Columbia's Retreat Center in Winchester, VA. The cost is \$25.

Join lay ministers who are seeking to learn the Way of the Shepherd – The Way of Jesus. How do we serve, how do we nurture, and help build authentic community. Friday night will be an evening of great fellowship, community building and maybe even a little flock herding. Saturday morning we will be discussing the 7 principles described in the book, *The Way of the Shepherd*, which will encourage each one of us to become better leaders as we seek to lead Faith Formation at Columbia toward God's direction for our tomorrow. You can get your copy of the book from either Sandi or Betsy after you register so you can read it before the retreat.

Saturday will be spent evaluating where we are, listening & hearing what God is doing in other ministry teams, brainstorming how we can support the mission of Columbia, developing our strategic plan and more. There will be time for dreaming and planning together, considering how we might lead God's flock toward a fuller, richer journey with Christ. We will also have a time of worship as we accept God's calling to become shepherds of His flock.

If you are on a ministry team that connects to our Faith Formation Ministry Area (Discipleship, Mentoring, Sunday Morning Ignition Group, Sermon-Based IG, Leadership Development, Prayer Experience, Women's Ministry, Men's Ministry, Freedom, or VBS; we also want to invite our new Elementary School and Preschool teams); if you have been a part of Faith Formation leadership, if you have served as a facilitator for Journey with Christ, if you currently serve as a small group facilitator; if you have a passion for spiritual formation in community; or if you are just interested in checking us out, join us for this retreat.

If you are interested, or want to know more, please contact Dick Cornelius, Richard\_Cornelius@hotmail.com, Faith Formation lay leader, or Sandi Evans Rogers, Pastor for Faith Formation. Register online at [www.columbiabaptist.org](http://www.columbiabaptist.org); go to *Resources and Tools*, then to *calendar*, then to *view calendar*, then to *Open Registrations* (or look for the direct link in the FlashPoint.)

### OUR LANGUAGE CONGREGATIONS

#### Arabic Congregation

Sunday 5:30 pm Worship, Chapel  
Friday 7:30 pm Bible Study, Rm 108

#### Brazilian Congregation

Saturday  
7:00 pm Encontro de Adoracao, Chapel

#### Hispanic AM Congregation

Sunday  
9:30 a.m. Culto en Espano, Chapel  
11:30 am Escuela Dominical Rm 309

6:30 pm Estudio Biblico, Rm 309

Wednesday 7:00 pm Culto de Oracion, Chapel

#### Hispanic PM Congregation

Sunday  
2:30 pm Bible Study, Rm 127  
3:30 pm Worship, Stephenson Hall

Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting, Rm 308

#### Korean Congregation

Sunday  
11:30 am Worship, Chapel  
1:30 pm Bible Study, Rm 103  
Wednesday 7:30 pm Rm 309

#### Russian Congregation

Sunday 1:30 pm Worship, Chapel  
Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study, Rm 109

#### Vietnamese Congregation

Sunday  
2:00 pm Bible Study, Rm 109  
3:30 pm Worship, Chapel  
Thursday 7:30 pm Prayer Meeting, Chapel

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU
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				1 Deacons Meeting, 7pm, Rm 229  First Place Orienta- tion, 7 pm, Rm 127	2	3  Grade School Ministry Team Mtg, 9am, Rm 230	<b>February 7</b> Crispy Chicken, potato au Gratin, Seasoned Carrots, Tossed Salad, Cinnamon Rolls Child Menu Turkey Burger, French Fries, Sherbet
4 <b>Regular Sunday Worship and Activities</b>  Super Bowl Party and Chili Cook-off, 6:30 pm, Stephenson Hall  High School Super Bowl Party, 6pm, 301	5  MCC Meeting, 6:30 pm, Rm 222	6	7 <b>Regular Wednesday Evening Activities</b>	8  First Place, 7 pm, Rm 127	9	10  Older Child Adoption Luncheon, 11am, Rm 229	<b>February 14</b> Roasted Chicken Breast, Stuffed w/ Shitake Mousse, Herb Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes, Sautéed Green Beans, Field Greens w/ Dried Cranberries,  Toasted Almonds Poppy Seed Dress- ing, Cheese Cake, w/ Chocolate Dipped strawber- ries Child Menu, Maca- roni and Cheese, Steamed Carrots, Chocolate Pudding
11  Regular Sunday Worship and Activities  Finance Committee Mtg, 12:30pm, Rm 229  Appalachia Mission Trip Meeting, 12:30 pm, in Library	12  Discipleship Ministry Team Mtg, 7pm, Rm 201	13  Women's Book Club, 7:30 pm, Parlor/Rm 222	14 <b>Valentine's Day Special Family Night at Wednesday Evening Dinner</b>	15  Columbia Travel- ers to DC, 10:45 am, leave from Falls Church Campus  GriefShare Begins, 7pm, Parlor/Rm 222  Implementation Team Mtg, 7pm, Rm 201  First Place, 7 pm, Rm 127	16  High School Escape Week- end, Retreat Center	17  High School Escape Weekend, Retreat Center  Five Love Lan- guages Seminar, 9 a.m., Crossroads	<b>February 21</b> Chicken Cordon Bleu, Herb Mashed Potatoes, Green Bean Saute, Gar- den Salad Rolls Chocolate Mousse w/ Strawberries, Child Menu, Fish Sticks, Tator Tots, Green Beans, Chocolate Ice Cream
18  Regular Sunday Worship and Activities  High School Escape Weekend, Retreat Center	19 <b>Church Offices Closed—President's Day Observed</b>  High School Escape Weekend, Retreat Center	20  Parish Health Ministry Team Mtg, 7pm, Rm 126  Columbia Coaches Meeting, 7:30pm, Rm 229	21 <b>Regular Wednesday Evening Activities</b>  Missions/Evangelism Ministry Team Mtg, 6pm, Rm 202	22  GriefShare, 7pm, Parlor/Rm 222  First Place, 7 pm, Rm 127	23  Faith Formation Leadership Retreat, Retreat Center	24  Faith Formation Leadership Retreat, Retreat Center  Blood Pressure Awareness Weekend	<b>February 28</b> Tacos w/ Fixings, Fresh Guacamole, Cilantro-Cumin Rice, Roasted Corn and Black Bean Salad, Strawberry Short Cake Child Menu None
25  Regular Sunday Worship and Activities  Blood Pressure Awareness Weekend	26	27	28 <b>Regular Wednesday Evening Activities</b>				

## Every Week at Columbia

### Sundays

8:30 am Contemplative Service  
 9 am—11:30 am Columbia Café, Rm 229  
 9 am—9:40 am Children's Choir  
 9:45 am Celebration Service & Ignition Groups  
 10:30 am Columbia @ Crossroads Worship  
 Service  
 11:15 am Classic Service & Ignition Groups  
 4 pm Gospel Choir Rehearsal, Rm 124  
 6 pm Unplugged (Gr 6-8) Rm 142  
 Beyond the Edge (Gr 9-12) 301 N. Washington  
 Divorce Care for Adults, Rm 127  
 DC4Kids, Rm 338  
 Columbia Way, Library  
 Columbia Way for Kids

### Mondays

9 am Little Lambs, Rm 235

7pm Columbia @ Greenspring Worship Service

### Tuesdays

7:30 am Women's Bible Study Rm230  
 9 am Little Lambs, Rm 235  
 6:30 pm College/Young Adult Study, 301 N.  
 Washington  
 6:45 pm Tutoring at Crossroads

### Wednesdays

5:15-6:50 pm Wednesday Family Dinner, Ste-  
 phenson Hall  
 5:45—7:30 pm Children's Programs  
 6 pm Women's Bible Study, Rm 229  
 6:30 pm MidWeek Manna, Sanctuary  
 Soul Café, Stephenson Hall  
 Orchestra Rehearsal, Rm108  
 Men's Bible Study Rm 323  
 Iron Men Bible Study, Rm 127

7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir, Rm124

7:45 pm Wednesday Connections—Single  
 Adult Bible Study, Rm 229  
 8 pm Celebration Worship Rehearsal,  
 Stephenson Hall

### Thursdays

7 am Men's Bible Study, Rm 230  
 7 pm First Place Bible Study, Rm 127

### Fridays

9 am Laity Prayer Group, Rm 203  
 9 am Little Lambs, Rm 235

### Saturdays

9:30 am-noon Columbia Center for Mis-  
 sions Open  
 6:29 pm Worship, Stephenson Hall

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#### A Catalytic Word from Dr. Jim Baucom, *Senior Pastor*

I never cease to be amazed by what God creates out of the many congregations, ministries, and partnerships that exist within the Columbia family. Sometimes, these puzzle pieces converge in ways that take me by surprise, and I experience an “ahah moment” in seeing what God has been up to all along. Such has been the case throughout the past year or so as we have received the gift of Glencarlyn Road Baptist, witnessed the consequent birth of a new Columbia multisite (Columbia @ Crossroads), and explored new ministries possible at that location. But the events of the past several weeks have really amazed me!

Several of the ministries and partnerships of Columbia have converged to create a new opportunity that could make a profound Kingdom impact, a possibility we discussed at our last church business session. A Virginia Baptist ministry to Muslims we have housed for several years

called People of the Book, our partnerships with the Baptist General Association of Virginia and the Northstar Church Network, a number of our fantastic mission ministries, and our strategic multisite location in Bailey’s Crossroads, have converged to create the Crossroads Peace Center. This confluence of needs-based and evangelistic ministries will enable us to reach many with the Gospel, including Muslims, Hispanics, and others who enter our doors.

You will hear a great deal more about the Crossroads Peace Center in days to come. What most I want you to see now is how the many pieces of our complex church system are networked by God to accomplish incredible things for His glory. Truly amazing!

On Fire for Jesus Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Dr. Jim