

## MOSCOW MUSIC MISSION TRIP

On Friday, May 13, 2005, a 30 member Choral and Instrumental Ensemble will depart for Moscow, Russia to participate in a long expected music mission experience. Eighteen Columbia members and twelve members from First Baptist Church, Alexandria, will combine to lead in four concerts, two worship services, two "work days" at Moscow Central Church and their Youth Camp, participate in cultural exchange opportunities between Moscow Central and Columbia, and have direct opportunity to impact the lives of children through gifts from the children of Columbia Baptist Church.

For many years, the Columbia choir and instrumentalists have been invited to return to the Moscow Central Baptist Church. The Ministry Coordinating Council asked our Missions Team and Worship, Music & Arts Ministry to make this important trip. The trip was targeted as a "Strategic Action" for Columbia Baptist for the Spring of 2005. Thankfully, our Pastor, Dr. Baucom, will be able to accompany us on the mission. By the way, he will not only have several preaching/teaching opportunities, he will be singing in the choir!

For many months, there has been in-depth planning, rehearsals, and prayer for this event.

We are very happy to have this opportunity to journey to Moscow and to be able to

encourage our sister church. Also, we are thrilled to be joined by First Baptist Church, Alexandria, and to aid them in their partnership with Resurrection Baptist Church in Moscow.

### Tour Participants

#### Columbia Members

Jim & Debbie Baucom  
 Jim & Judith Watson  
 Holly Baynham  
 Jeanine Bush  
 Dick Cornelius  
 Libby Dasbach  
 Hugh Eubanks  
 Mac Herndon  
 Debbie Jaeger  
 Jeanne Koch  
 Arlene Linn  
 Jill Mitchell  
 Lisa Orndorff  
 Elaine Payne  
 Leslie Pritcher  
 Nancy Shields

#### First Baptist Alexandria Members

Roger & Suzanne McGee  
 Jerry Eiler  
 Bob & Pat Hill  
 Julia Jordan  
 Bill & Liz Schnarr  
 Vera Stover  
 Michael & Lauren Warchol  
 Cherrie Welch



## AVAILABLE IN THE COLUMBIA BOOKSTORE

Remember that your Columbia Bookstore can help you prepare for any mission trip or vacation that you may have planned.

### **Lonely Planet Russian Phrasebook: With Two-Way Dictionary (\$7.95)**

This phrasebook is better than most for people who have little or no knowledge of the Russian language but want to try to communicate with Russians. It is full of positive messages about trying, and it opens with a concise explanation of Russian grammar. The main advantage of this phrasebook is that it truly tells you the easiest way to get your point across, with phrases that beginners actually can learn and use. It also gives helpful information on how to make substitutions in the book's stock phrases, and it encourages you to put together your own word combinations. Two other good points: it's relatively low cost and it's pocket sized, so you can easily take it around with you on a trip. The topics covered are useful, everyday ones.

### **Russian in 10 Minutes a Day (\$19.95)**

With big pictures, stickers, activities, flash cards and a laminated "pocket pal" with a short list of phrases, this book will ease you painlessly into a basic use of the Russian language.

### **Russian/English Bible (\$29.95)**

This bilingual Bible displays Russian and English language on opposite facing pages. The English version is KJV.

### **Spanish the Easy Way (\$14.95)**

Here is a fundamental introduction to speaking, understanding, and writing in Spanish, with emphasis on oral proficiency. Over the years, Barron's popular and widely used *Easy Way* books have proven themselves to be accessible self-teaching manuals. They have also found their way into many classrooms as valuable and easy-to-use textbook supplements. The titles cover a wide variety of practical and academic topics, presenting fundamental subject matter so that it can be clearly understood and providing a foundation for more advanced study. *Easy Way* books fulfill many purposes: they help students improve their grades, serve as good test preparation review books, and provide readers working outside classroom settings with practical information on subjects that relate to their occupations and careers.

### **Easy Spanish Phrase Book (\$1.50)**

This slender volume provides a lot of expressions that you can readily use as you begin to interact with Spanish-speakers. Communicate instantly on a

host of topics: health and medical situations, essential services, boat, plane and train travel, and much more.

### **Merriam-Webster's Spanish-English Dictionary (\$6.50)**

Merriam-Webster's Spanish-English Dictionary is a completely new dictionary designed to meet the needs of English and Spanish speakers in a time of ever-expanding communication among the countries of the Western Hemisphere. It is intended for language learners, teachers, office workers, tourists, business travelers, or anyone who needs to communicate effectively in the Spanish and English languages as they are spoken and written in the Americas. One nice feature is that if you look up a conjugated verb, it actually appears in the dictionary with a cross reference back to the unconjugated verb.

### **Bilingual Spanish/English Bible (\$31.99)**

This bilingual Bible displays Spanish and English languages on opposite pages. The English Bible version is NIV, the Spanish is Reina Valera 1960 (this is the most usual preference of Spanish-speakers.)

## BOOKSTORE HOURS

**Sundays 8:00 am—1:00 pm**

**Mondays 6:00 pm—8:30 pm**

**Wednesdays 9:30 am—noon  
5:00 pm—8:00 pm**

**You may also place an order by emailing [bookstore@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:bookstore@columbiabaptist.org)**

## Vehicle Drivers Training Meeting

**Sunday May 15, 5:00 pm**

**Stephenson Hall**

Attendance is required at least once a year in order to qualify to be an approved driver of Columbia's vehicles.

## BE THE CARPENTER'S HEART AND HANDS IN BELIZE

Do you like working with tools? Have you ever painted? Or, would you like to learn a new skill with "on the job training"? Then join the team from Columbia going to Belize June 4-11, 2005.

The Virginia Baptist Caribbean Partnership opens doors for us to meet and work with our brothers and sisters in Caribbean countries. Belize, formerly British Honduras, lies on the Caribbean

coast of Central America and is bordered by Mexico and Guatemala. While Belize is a country of various cultures, languages, and ethnic groups, the official language is English.

Columbians will go to Sand Hill, a town just northwest of the coastal town of Belize City, the country's main port. There our missionary team will work on repairs at Lake Independence Baptist

Church. The team will stay at the church's camp and participate in their worship led by Pastor Ashley Rocke.

Will you be one who picks up a Bible, hammer, work gloves, and paintbrush so that others may experience Jesus in a personal relationship? Come and join us! Contact Anne Tomas, Director of Missions & Evangelism for more information.

## EVANGELISM TRIP TO TRINIDAD IN AUGUST

Columbia will be sending a team to the Caribbean island of Trinidad to assist Power & Signs Baptist Church with their annual tent crusade. Each year P&S Baptist Church, a partner of the Virginia Baptist Mission Board, has a crusade to reach its local community for Christ. Over 100 people from the community come each night to hear the music, preaching and personal testimonies.

The mission trip can accommodate a team of 10 to 20 people. The Missions and Evangelism team is looking for vol-

unteers in the following areas:

- ⇒ 2 or 3 people to preach the gospel message.
- ⇒ People willing to talk to and pray with those persons who make professions of faith.
- ⇒ Musicians willing to play hymns and/or praise songs. Any instrument can be used.
- ⇒ People willing to share their testimonies during the crusade and during the Sunday morning worship services.
- ⇒ People willing to help with the children's activities.

⇒ People willing to walk through the small community informing people that the crusade is about to start  
During the daytime, we will have some time to visit the island's sites.

For more information about this mission opportunity, contact Eric Reiser, Evangelism Fellow, at (703) 534-5740, ext. 270 or at email him at [ereiser@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:ereiser@columbiabaptist.org).

## VISIT THE LITTLE CHURCH IN THE MOUNTAINS

Join us July 20 - 26 as we travel to Utah's "color country" to help the Duck Creek Community Church with 2005 "Duck Creek Days". During this week-end community event, over 10,000 people and over 250 vendors from all over the West will come to Duck Creek Village for a craft show, Chili Contest, children's games and activities, music, and great food. (Have you tasted a Navaho taco?)

This year Columbians will again help the DCC Church set up tables, sell tickets, man the t-shirt booth, park cars,

clean up the grounds, judge the Chili Contest and more.

DCC Church is the only church of any denomination in this area of Southern Utah and is having a great impact for Christ. Currently they meet in an unheated room where the nearest bathroom is ¼ mile away, and children's Sunday school is held on picnic tables under the pines. Columbia's work with DCC Church will help them build a "little log church" which will also be a center for community outreach.

As part of this mission trip, Columbians will stay overnight in Las Vegas, as well as Bryce Canyon National Park. On the way to Duck Creek, we will drive through the Kolob section of Zion National Park and stop at Cedar Breaks National Monument.

Contact Curt Pendell at 703-876-9525 or [fallschurchcurt@netscape.net](mailto:fallschurchcurt@netscape.net) or Kathleen Armstrong at 703-266-1741 or [dc2moscow@aol.com](mailto:dc2moscow@aol.com) for more information. Check out information about DCC Church at: [www.duckcreekcommunitychurch.org](http://www.duckcreekcommunitychurch.org)

## EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER—SPOTLIGHT ON BARBARA CLAMPITT

*Columbia is blessed to have many volunteer "ministers" in our midst. They perform invaluable roles and allow Columbia to realize its full potential of "Igniting Passion for Jesus Christ from Metro Washington to the World". In order to show appreciation for these ministers and to allow for other Columbians to learn about the many ways to be involved here, the Lay Ministry area is honored to be able to share this "spotlight" with you each month.*

Barbara Clampitt has been volunteering in World Friends for longer than she can remember! She directs the children's programs and for years has made an incredible difference in the lives of World Friends' families, by loving the children of World Friends students and teaching them about the love of Christ. Barbara has also made a difference in the lives of her teaching team – an extremely dedicated team who work tirelessly and passionately.

The World Friends program is Columbia's English as a Second Language program. Classes are held on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 am from September to December and January to May. The children's programs run from 9:15 – 11:45 am, so parents can drop their children off and get to class on time. While parents are learning English, their kids, ages birth to six years old, are being well taken care of. They are learning English as well as enjoying crafts, music, recess, snack and most importantly, Bible stories. The program is run just like a preschool program. Barbara's role is to recruit and encourage teachers, plan the programming and generally ensure that things go smoothly.

Barbara has spent the majority of her life working with children and being involved with Columbia. She grew up in the Washington area and a neighbor first brought her to Columbia as a teenager. At age 18 she was baptized by Dr.



Stephenson. Later she married and taught 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in Arlington County. When her children were born, she stopped teaching full time and moved to substitute teaching. Barbara and her husband, Dick, raised all three of their children at Columbia and have supported numerous ministries over the years.

Dick and Barbara also serve as Deacons and Sunday Morning Greeters. Many people walk through "their" door and are warmly welcomed to our church family. Barbara also plays an active role in Vacation Bible School every summer. She and Dick are members of the Joy Class Sunday School during the 9:30 hour.

Are you interested in serving with the World Friends program? You can work with Barbara in the children's program or help support the adult program. Teachers, helpers and substitutes are always needed. For more information contact Pam Clark at [world-friends@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:world-friends@columbiabaptist.org) or 703-534-5740 ext 251. If you want to serve at Columbia, but are interested in opportunities other than World Friends, please contact Jeanine Bush, Director of Lay Ministry.

## OUR WORLD FRIENDS YEAR

Thirty years ago two women at Columbia began ministering to someone who needed to learn to speak English. One woman taught English and the other cared for the student's children. Today students come from China, Russia, Mongolia, Japan, Korea, Viet Nam, Iran, Italy, Germany, and many Central and South American countries.

Throughout the year there were many celebrations. Dr. Daniel Carro, from the Virginia Baptist Mission Board, spoke at the Christmas program. The students themselves

provided the incredible lunch that followed. It was a feast of global proportion with savories and sweets from all over the world.

At Easter Neal Jones, Columbia's Pastor Emeritus, told his much-loved creepy-crawler story. Both the children and adults were captivated by the story and the message Dr. Jones gave about God's gift to the world in the person of Jesus. Dr. Baucom will speak at the end-of-year recognition service on Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary. Please join us!

## GOD'S VISION FOR MINISTRY PROVISION

Columbia's Compassion Ministry's food pantry has been the recipient of the Falls Church City's Post Office food drive for many years. Postal workers sponsor this event as a community service project: they collect donated non-perishable food from homes on their delivery routes to help stock our pantry's shelves.

This year's collection will take place on Saturday, May 14 and we will need your helping hands! We are looking for many Columbians to carry, sort, and shelve the many pounds of food we'll receive. Trucks, vans, and drivers are needed to transport the bins from the Falls Church Post Office on Broad Street to the food pantry at 301 North Washington Street. Also essential to

this mission is the presence of a prayer team to pray for God's blessing as we prepare our pantry for ministry.

Last year we received over 3,700 pounds of food from the Post Office! Do you wonder what the provision will be this year? In 2004 our food pantry ministry received 1,698 requests for food assistance. These requests helped feed 5,720 family members. Will you be present to experience Yahweh-Jireh and to praise and thank Him for His provision?

Join us at 3:30 pm on Saturday, May 14 at 301 N. Washington Street. Contact Anne Tomas to volunteer or for more information.

## METRO MISSIONS IN OUR JERUSALEM

Have you heard about **METRO MISSIONS**? As a new Missions & Evangelism initiative, opportunities will be provided to do hands-on mission projects locally in Columbia's Jerusalem. These opportunities are planned to have easy access in our metro area and can be accomplished in one day or part of a day.

We know from Acts 1:8 that we are to be "witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." **Metro Missions** is one way our body of believers can be the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus in our Jerusalem.

The first group of missionaries went on April 23<sup>rd</sup> to the Bailey's Homeless Shelter. A group of 6 Columbians pre-

pared and served a lasagna dinner to approximately 50 residents. The group demonstrated our Core Value of Genuine Witness as we were "the presence of Christ in our time, relevant to a pluralistic society and on mission to reach the world with the love of Jesus."

Will you be one of our next missionaries in **METRO MISSIONS**? The next opportunity is on May 21, 2005. A group of 6 are needed to serve dinner at the Central Union Mission for homeless in Washington, DC.

Contact Anne Tomas, Director of Missions & Evangelism to serve or help plan future opportunities.

## Sunday School Class Buys a Fishing Boat in India

Sometimes you don't have to travel to make an international impact. On April 4, 2005, the Wolfe/Walker Sunday School class "bought" a fishing boat and nets for a fisherman in India.

Prompted by articles in the *Baptist Herald*, class member Alma Lively challenged the group to donate money to purchase a boat and fishing nets to replace resources destroyed in the December tsunami which affected the coast of India. Alma had read the articles detailing the plight of the fishermen in the villages of Kulachal, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh in India and felt God urging her to spearhead this effort for her class.

In only two short weeks, the class collected \$1000 to be designated to the BGAV for distribution to the fishing boat and nets project. The group is delighted to "own" a boat they will never sail in or even see in person.

This class of older adults, many on fixed incomes, share joy in knowing they are enabling a fisherman to resume his livelihood in the familiar setting of his village and sea. Like Elijah, Alma heard God's whisper as he called her to respond to a need. God's whisper became a vocal plea to others who also responded. Great example of how together we can accomplish great things!

## BECOMING A CONTAGIOUS CHRISTIAN TRAINING

If you were unable to attend the *Becoming a Contagious Christian* Sunday School lessons last Fall, you are in luck! The DC Festival with Luis Palau is offering a one-day seminar on this friendship evangelism material. The training will be led by Mark Mittelburg, co-author of *Contagious Christian*, Rickey Bolden, former NFL star and guest preacher at Columbia, and actor Stephen Baldwin.

The training will be at McLean Bible Church on May 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The training is free but you will need to pay for lunch. To register, you can add your name to the sign-up list located at the Information Center, or you may go to the DC Festival website at [www.palau.org/dc](http://www.palau.org/dc). For more information on this, contact Eric Reiser, [ereiser@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:ereiser@columbiabaptist.org) or 703-534-5740, ext 270.

### FALL MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY—A TRADITION AT COLUMBIA

Woodcutting trip to Monterey, VA

October 14-16

Save the Date!

Each October a team travels to Monterey, Virginia to cut wood. The wood is distributed to rural families who use wood-burning stoves for heating and cooking. Various skills and tools are needed and the trip is open to all interested. Contact Clarence Dukes, 703-764-0918 or [engmed12@aol.com](mailto:engmed12@aol.com) for more information.

### ALPHA IS BACK

Columbia will be beginning another cycle of the Alpha Course starting on May 4. The Alpha Course is a practical introduction to the Christian faith.

Through a DVD presentation and small group discussion, participants discuss some of the fundamental questions of the faith, such as "Is Christianity True?" "Who is Jesus?" "Why should I read the Bible?" "Why and how do I pray?" and "What is the Church?"

The ten-week ALPHA course will be offered on Wednesday nights in Room 230 beginning on May 4th. Participants

will have dinner together starting at 6:00 p.m. with the session beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Invite your friends and co-workers who are interested in knowing more about the Christian faith. For more information about the Alpha Course, or to pick-up a registration form, see the Alpha Course display on the Ministry Wall. To register for the course, please contact Eric Reiser, Evangelism Intern, at 703-534-5700 ext. 270, or at [ereiser@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:ereiser@columbiabaptist.org).

### MEMORIAL DAY FESTIVAL

Give a cup of cold water (Mt 10:42) ... or a bottle.

Once again, Columbia will participate in the City of Falls Church Memorial Day Festival. This has always been a great opportunity to let the community know who we are and what we have to offer. It gives you an opportunity to serve the community. Columbia offers face painting, balloons and water at no charge. You will also get an opportunity to serve side-by-side with members of the congregation you may not know.

Look for the sign-up poster in Stephenson Hall, near the Information Desk, or in the foyer outside the sanctuary.

Positions Needed

- **Set-up or tear down:** (7-9 a.m.) load trucks at church, unload and set up at park; (5-6 p.m.) reload trucks at park, unload and put things away at church
- **Greeters:** welcome people, pass out water bottles, and tell about Columbia and its activities
- **Children's Activities:** assist with face painting, handing out balloons
- **Youth At-Large:** assist with any of the above and other miscellaneous tasks

For more information or to sign up, contact Eric Reiser, Evangelism Fellow, at (703) 534-5740, ext. 270 or at [ereiser@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:ereiser@columbiabaptist.org).

## YOUTH ARE RUSSIA-BOUND TOO! JULY 8-17

What's happening with the youth this summer? In accordance with our church's mission statement of "Igniting Passion for Jesus Christ from Metro Washington to the World", 18 of our high school students and 5 adults will go to Russia in partnership with Moscow Central Baptist Church. This group will spend

5 days at a youth camp being a "Genuine Witness" by sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with about 60 teenagers from Moscow.

Additionally we will do some repair work at the camp including painting Bible scenes on the walls surrounding the camp.

How can you be involved? To start with, "Constant Prayer" is so vital to the work that God is doing here. Please be praying even now as we make preparations for this trip. There will be other ways to be involved... so stay tuned!



## WHAT? YOUTH WORKERS GET TRAINING TOO?

On April 10<sup>th</sup>, a group of 14 youth workers and 3 student leaders woke up bright and early on a Saturday attend training called "The Core", presented by Youth Specialties.

There we learned more about today's youth culture, and some of the struggles, as well as how we as a church family can respond to that culture. We also learned the difference between guys and girls (besides the obvious), including a game (yes, adults play games too) called Battle of the Sexes. Who knows what "3 on the tree" and "4 on the floor means?"

This fall we will be sending a team of adults to the National Youth Workers Convention in Pittsburgh. This convention is essentially youth camp for adults where our adult team can come together with thousands of other youth workers for a

time of "Christ-Exalted Worship" and refreshment for their souls. This training is key to helping them prepare for all the work they put in spending time with our youth.

How can you be involved? Here are two ways

1) "Constant Prayer": Our youth workers need lots of prayer as they join our stu-

dents on the front line of the battle next to our students helping them navigate the rough waters called culture.

2) Are you gifted in loving God and loving teens? Or maybe you have a skill that you like using, and a burden for today's teens? Maybe its time to join our A-Team! Give Chris McPeek or Michelle Rhodes a call, or send an email or instant message to learn more!

Chris: 703-534-5740 ext 267  
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AIM: McYouthMin

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

AIM: Mcpatleighcon



## LEGAL AID CLINIC COMING TO COLUMBIA

There are times when, in spite of what one has planned, God breaks in with an urgent message! In the midst of praying and planning for another ministry, Nancy Walker received an email from the law firm of Gammon & Grange inviting her to a meeting to discuss the possibility of establishing a Christian legal aid clinic in northern Virginia.

There were plenty of attorneys and some legal assistants along with several representatives from various local churches at the meeting. Afterwards, the invitation was extended to church folks to indicate if they had any interest in being a site for a legal clinic. Requirements

were space, and preferably an active community missions ministry already in place from which to draw clients. Thinking that all the churches would clamor to be the place, Nancy quickly offered Columbia as a potential site.

A day later, Steve Clarke, an attorney at Gammon & Grange, called asking if she was serious about the offer. No other church represented at the meeting had indicated an interest in being first, although some said they might join in later in the process. Nancy conferred with Jim Baucom and Anne Tomas and then began preparations for hosting this new ministry.

On March 12, a training day was held at Columbia for anyone interested in participating in the legal aid clinic. According to John Robb, Director of Christian Legal Society's Legal Aid Ministries who led the training, it was the largest group he had ever trained at one time anywhere! Present were attorneys, legal assistants, law students, and interested non-legal types, all learning how best to offer legal aid from a spiritual base.

Next steps include the modification of space at the 301 N. Washington St. building to allow for confidentiality in interviewing clients, the securing of a lay person from Columbia to coordinate ap-

pointments and act as liaison to the clinic, advertising to the community and finally, opening the doors in early June if at all possible.

God is at work and Columbia is blessed to have the privilege of hosting a Christian legal aid clinic in our facility. Pray for all who will participate...attorneys, clients, translators and others who will minister through the clinic to our community. If you are interested in being a part of the Christian Legal Aid of Northern Virginia, please contact Nancy Walker, Pastor for Congregational Care.

## COLUMBIA TO HONOR HERITAGE CLUB MEMBERS

On Sunday, June 5, Columbia will gratefully acknowledge the contributions of new Heritage Club members. A person becomes eligible for membership in the Heritage Club when he or she reaches the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of joining Columbia Baptist Church.

June 5 will be celebrated as Founders' Day. New and previous Heritage Club members will be recognized at the Classic worship service at 11:00, followed by a luncheon in honor of all Heritage Club members. 2005 induc-

tees will receive a Heritage Club pin and a certificate. Columbians joining the Heritage Club in 2005 are: **Sue Bradley, Betty Gail Elliott, Edith Elliott, Humphrey Gilbert, Karlene Pankey, Louise Parker, Elizabeth Sparks, and Janet Vincent.**

If you know of others who should be included, please notify Nancy Walker, Pastor for Congregational Care, or Michelle Rhodes (703-534-5740, ext. 263) immediately.

The entire church family is invited to the luncheon catered by Doug Cook. The cost of the luncheon is \$5 payable at the time of reservation. Childcare is available by request. Please advise of your need for childcare (number of children and ages) when you make reservations. Please make reservations at the Information Desk. **All** Heritage Club members' lunches are complimentary, but please make a reservation.

Plan now to attend and

honor those who have built the foundation at Columbia on which we all now stand.

Church members are invited to stay after the luncheon for a church business session. Childcare will continue through the business session.

## SPRING IS THE TIME TO SWING YOUR PARTNER!

Join square dancers of all ages and levels of ability on Saturday, May 14, from 6-8 pm in Stephenson Hall. Al Gammons will be our caller, bringing with him years of experience and tons of cool square dance records.

You don't need a partner, just show up and you'll be assigned to a square. Light refreshments will be served

and you'll have time to rest in between dances. If you don't want to dance but want to encourage others, you are welcome, too!

As the night progresses the calls get more complicated as they build on what you have previously learned. Older elementary age children, youth and adults of all ages are welcome to partici-

pate. If you need childcare for your preschoolers and younger elementary age children, please notify Kris Solberg by Thursday, May 12. For information about the this event, contact Nancy Walker.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

A lot of new families are visiting Columbia, thus creating the opportunity for more people to become involved in working with all the new children. And many of our families have welcomed new babies! We are growing and we invite you to become a part of a child's life. There are many opportunities to become involved. If you feel God is touching your heart to work with children, then contact Kris Solberg, Minister to Children to talk about these opportunities!

Donna Ricks and Kris will be teaching "I'm A Christian Now" to children who are contemplating believer's baptism during the month of

May. This course will be geared to children in grades one through three, but all 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to become a part of the class. Look for details in the weekly Hot Sheet.

Jeremy Fowler and Kris will be taking a group of 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> graders to Skycroft Conference Center in Middletown, Maryland July 4-8, 2005. Centri-Kid Camp is run by Lifeway and promises to be a fun time of worship, Bible Study and fun activities. They will even have Fireworks for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July! Registration is \$250 per child (which includes transportation). Sign up is a must by May 31, 2005. Contact

Kris Solberg.

For additional information about the camp or the conference center, check out:

Skycroft Conference Center  
[www.skycroft.org](http://www.skycroft.org)

Centri-Kid Camp  
[www.fuge.com](http://www.fuge.com)

The new Middle School Ministry continues to evolve as we see where God is leading us. Chris McPeek and Kris are working together recruiting adults that would like to work with 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Please contact either of them if you would like to take advantage of this great ministry opportunity!

## ARE WE THERE YET?

**Ramblin' Road Rally**  
**July 11-15, 9:00—12:30 pm daily**

**Early registration has begun. Sign your child up for the ride of his life.**

**Registration Fee: \$0 !**  
**[www.columbiabaptist.org](http://www.columbiabaptist.org)**

Summer 2005 is right around the corner. We have set a challenging Vacation Bible School enrollment goal of 500 children. Recruitment is in full swing for our leadership team of 150 adults and 50 youth. Won't you join us?

We need volunteers with many gifts: teachers, helpers, recreation leaders, snack providers, decorators, hosts for the Friday night Road Rally Celebration and so much more.

Sign up online if you would like to volunteer:  
[columbiabaptist.org](http://columbiabaptist.org)

Or contact any of these team leaders: Sandy Perrin, [csperrin@cox.net](mailto:csperrin@cox.net), Lucy Cliburn, [infjmom@hotmail.com](mailto:infjmom@hotmail.com), or Beth Wright, [forthwright@cox.net](mailto:forthwright@cox.net).

**“Train a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not turn from it.” Proverbs 22:6**

## PULL AWAY AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S PRESENCE

You are invited to experience some uninterrupted time talking with and listening to God at Columbia's Contemplative Retreat, May 13-15, 2005.

Friday night May 13th, beginning at 8:00 pm, we will explore contemplation and begin Saturday with a morning of silence. There will be some times of

guided meditation and exploring *lectio divina* as way to listen to God's Word.

If you have never experienced long times of silence and contemplation, this would be a great opportunity to begin. Helps and guided material will be available. We will return Sunday following breakfast and a time of reflection.

Register now! ONLY 15 SPACES AVAILABLE! \$55 covers your meals on Saturday & Sunday, lodging, and materials. To make reservations contact Michelle Rhodes, [mrhodes@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:mrhodes@columbiabaptist.org) or call 703-534-5740, ext 263.

## EXTRAORDINARY FAITH: WOMEN OF FAITH

Join 29 other women from Columbia as we join in the Women of Faith Conference: **EXTRAORDINARYfaith**. Experience two extraordinary days of laughter, music, special guests, and all new messages from Thelma Wells, Marilyn Meberg, Sheila Walsh, Pasty Clairmont, Luci

Swindoll and Nicole Johnson. Real stories from real women who have learned what it is to have faith. The kind of faith you need to handle the challenges life throws at all of us.

We have reservations for 25 more women! Cost is \$53, which includes the

Friday evening and Saturday sessions and a box lunch on Saturday. Make your reservation by getting your check or cash to Michelle Rhodes, 702-534-5740, ext. 263, [mrhodes@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:mrhodes@columbiabaptist.org).

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

### **Monday Evening Bible Study**

7:00-9:00 pm, Room 229

#### **Living Beyond Yourself**

#### **Video teaching by Beth Moore**

Beginning June 6<sup>th</sup>, join an intergenerational group of women and facilitator Jenny Ferry on Monday Nights at 7:00 pm in Room 229 as they study this powerful resource that will encourage women to develop and maintain an intimate relationship with the Spirit of God. Child care will be available to those who make a reservation. Please contact Michelle Rhodes, 705-534-5740, x 263 or email [mrhodes@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:mrhodes@columbiabaptist.org).

### **Tuesday Morning Study**

7:30 -8:30 am, Parlor

#### **This Isn't the Life I signed up For**

Join an intergenerational group of women each Tuesday Morning at 7:30 am for a cup of coffee, or tea, and an insightful discussion of *This Isn't The Life I Signed Up For...but I'm Finding Hope and Healing*. Donna Partow's book provides encouragement for women with less than perfect lives. She shows how God longs to clothe His daughters in renewal, hope, forgiveness, and healing.

### **Wednesday Evening Bible Study**

6:30 -7:30 pm, Parlor

#### **Video teaching by Elizabeth George**

Beginning May 4<sup>th</sup> join an intergenerational group of women on Wednesday nights at 6:30 in the Parlor as they study how to make God's desire their own and how to become the woman of excellence he has designed them to be. With warmth and grace, Elizabeth George shares her practical insights on how you can follow God in every area of your life.

## MEN'S GOLF RETREAT: JUNE 24-26

Men won't want to miss the Golf Retreat June 24 - 26, 2005 at Columbia's Retreat Center. Enjoy 3 Bible studies and 2 rounds of golf and a special dinner fit for a king.

Approximate cost is \$150. A sign-up sheet is at Information Center. Don't delay! This will fill up quickly! Contact Bob Brody for more information, 703-534-5740, x205 or [bbrody@columbiabaptist.org](mailto:bbrody@columbiabaptist.org).

# EVERY WEEK AT COLUMBIA

## Sundays

8:00 am Contemplative Service  
 9:15 am Celebration Service  
 9:30 Sunday School Classes  
 11:00 Classic Service, & Sunday School Classes  
 4:00 pm Gospel Choir Rehearsal, Rm 124  
 4:45 pm Adult Handbells Rehearsal, Rm 108  
 6:00 pm Journey with Christ Adult Discipleship Classes  
 6:00 pm Ignition Point—Children's Discipleship Classes  
 6:00 pm Beyond the Edge (Youth Worship) 301 N. Washington

## Mondays

10:30 am Mother's Heart Bible Study, Rm 229

## Tuesdays

7:00 am Men's Bible Study, Stephenson Hall  
 7:30 am Women's Bible Study, Parlor  
 10:00 am Joy Singers Rehearsal, Rm 229  
 8:00 pm College Bible Study, 301 N. Washington Street

## Wednesdays

9:30 am World Friends English Classes, Rm 100  
 5:15—6:50 pm Wednesday Family Dinner, Stephenson Hall  
 6:00 pm Alpha Course, Rm 230  
 6:00 pm STARS (ages 3 thru 6th grade) 3rd Floor  
 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study, Parlor  
 6:30 pm MidWeek Manna, Sanctuary  
 6:30 pm Soul Café, Stephenson Hall  
 6:30 pm Orchestra Rehearsal, Rm 108  
 6:45 pm Men's Bible Study, Rm 229B  
 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 124  
 7:30pm On The Edge—GMHS, 301 N. Washington St

## Thursdays

7:00 am Men's Bible Study, Rm 230  
 9:30 am World Friends English Classes, Rm 100  
 11:00 am Columbia Quilters, Rm 230  
 7:00 pm On The Edge—Marshall & Annandale High, off site  
 7:15 pm Celebration Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary

## Fridays

9:00 am Laity Prayer Group, Rm 203

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1 New Members and Guests Welcome Lunch, 12:30 pm Stephenson Hall VBS Meeting, rm 228AB Finance Committee Mtg 12:30 pm, Rm 229 Sunday Evening Activities	2	3 Candler Circle, 12:00 pm, rm 230 Sunday School Ministry Team Mtg, 6:30 pm Rm 201	4 Wednesday Evening Activities	5 Deacons' Mtg 6:30 pm, Rm 229 Singles Missions Meeting, 7 pm, Rm 201 People First, 7 pm Rm 228AB	6 Youth Ministry Leadership Retreat, Retreat Center	7 Youth Ministry Leadership Retreat, Retreat Center Ushers/Greeters Breakfast, 8 am, Stephenson Hall Men's Ministry Team Mtg, 9 am, Rm 127
8 Women's Ministry Team Mtg 12:30 pm, Rm 201 Sunday Evening Activities	9	10 Discipleship Ministry Team Mtg, 7pm, Rm 201 Parish Nurse Ministry Meeting, 7 pm, rm127	11 Wednesday Evening Activities	12 World Friends End of Year Program 10:30 am, Sanctuary	13 Contemplative Prayer Retreat, Retreat Center Middle School Night, Offsite Moscow Music Mission Trip	14 Contemplative Prayer Retreat, Post Office Food Drive, 3:30 pm—CCM Square Dance, 6 pm, Stephenson Hall Moscow Trip
15 Contemplative Prayer Retreat, WMU Ministry Team Meeting, 1:00 pm, Rm 201 Vehicle Drivers Mtg, 5 pm, Stephenson Hall Sunday Evening Activities Moscow Trip	16 Moscow Music Mission Trip	17 Missions & Evangelism Leadership Team, 7 pm, Rm 229 Moscow Music Mission Trip	18 Wednesday Evening Activities Moscow Music Mission Trip	19 Moscow Music Mission Trip	20 Moscow Music Mission Trip	21 Moscow Music Mission Trip
22 Blood Pressure Screening, 9:30 am, Stephenson Hall Moscow Trip Sunday Evening Activities	23 Moscow Music Mission Trip	24	25 STARS End of Year Program, 6:30 pm, Sanctuary	26	27	28
29 No Sunday Evening Activities	30 CBC Building Closed Falls Church Memorial Day Festival	31				

## WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU

### May 4

Honey BBQ Roasted Pork, Glazed Sweet Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole  
 Coconut Cake

*Children's Menu:* Ravioli, Carrots, Cookies

### May 11

Enchilada Style Chicken Breast, Sweet Corn Relish, Mexican Style Roasted Tomatoes, Mexican Toss Salad,

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*Children's Menu:* Chicken Nuggets, Tator Tots, Fruit Cup

### May 18

Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Italian Herb Vegetables, Italian Bread, Mixed Green Salad.

Pound Cake w/ Caramelized Bananas

*Children's Menu:* none

### May 25

Crispy Chicken, Potato au Gratin, Seasoned Carrots, Caesar Salad

Cinnamon Rolls

*Children's Menu:* Macaroni w/ Cheese, Carrots

## OUR LANGUAGE CONGREGATIONS

### Arabic Congregation

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

### 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  
 1:15 pm Worship, Sanctuary  
 3:30 pm Bible Study, Rm 127  
 Wednesday 7:30 pm Prayer Meeting, Rm 308

### Korean Congregation

Sunday  
 10:00 am Bible Study, Rm 103

11:30 am Worship, Chapel  
 Wednesday 7:30 pm Korean Congregation, Rm 309

### Portuguese Congregation

Saturday  
 6:00 pm Esudo Biblico, Rms 201, 202  
 7:00 pm Encontro de Adoracao, Chapel

### Russian Congregation

Sunday 1:30 pm Worship, Chapel  
 Wednesday 7:30 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

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### THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE

You will note that this issue of The Catalyst focuses on missions. It is really something of a misstatement, though, to say that Columbia does "missions." In reality, Columbia has a mission: "Igniting Passion for Jesus Christ from Metro Washington to the World." It would be even more Biblical to say that Columbia is not on mission so much as the local church is God's mission in the world, the heart of His plan to advance the Kingdom of God on earth.

In the modernist era of Baptist denominationalism, we often spoke of local, home (national), and foreign missions. I believe this led to a dangerous compartmentalization of the mission enterprise, and subsequently the church's mission. My good friend John Upton, Executive Director of the Baptist General Association of Virginia, has sought to remedy this problem by coining the term "Glocal Missions" (global and local all wrapped into one). I love John, but I hate that word. To me, any modifier of the term "mission" is

unnecessary. We're on mission, period.

Last Sunday, a couple who have been part of our church for two years came to tell me they were returning to their native Colombia. While in America, they were led to Christ in a Columbia FAITH visit, learned about faith in a Columbia ALPHA group, baptized in a Columbia worship service, and discipled in Columbia small groups. They came to us without Christ, but they return to South America as bold missionaries. Our part in this miracle is neither local, national, international, or glocal, it's just mission.

Columbia values "Genuine Witness: We are the presence of Christ in our time, relevant to a pluralistic society and on mission to reach the world with the love of Jesus."

Graze to Ewes (and Rams and Lambs),

Dr. Jim