

# E.C. Global Scene



# 2007 SEPTEMBER

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday  |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|---|
| 30<br>- Troy Wills (1990)<br>        | <b>October Missionary Birthdays</b><br><small>* DENOTES RETIREE</small><br>October 7 (1988) - Adam Graff<br>October 7 (1996) - Adam Schubert<br>October 8 (1997) - Hannah Lakatos<br>October 10 - Chrisanne Amberman<br>October 11 - Mary Ellen Davis *<br>October 12 - Becky Moser *<br>October 12 (1995) - Andrew Roof<br> |   |   |   | 1  | <b>HERE &amp; THERE</b><br>with Jim Ehrman                  |
| <b>PRAYER NEEDS</b><br>our church leaders in Mexico   |  |   |   |   |  | Bud Daneker, Horizon church plant                           |
| 2   | 3<br>- Jeremy Kunkel (c)<br>  | 4   | 5<br>- Aiyana Ehrman<br> | 6<br>- Brad Waldman<br>    | 7  | 8   |
| <b>PRAYER NEEDS</b><br>Dan & Mary Lynne Wills - Urgent support need   | Brad & Maxine Waldman - children's ministry in Caribbean   | Jonathan & Kathy Wilson - still need funds to build village house in PNG  | Gloria Smethers - travel during deputation  | Ron & Brenda Anderson - work in Spain with ECMI   | John & Carolyn Miller - support need, safety in travel                       | Brian & Missy Wagner - teachers, houseparents at RVA, Kenya |
| 9   | 10   | 11  | 12  | 13<br>- Gwen Melger*<br> | 14   | 15  |
| <b>September 9</b> - Speak at Palmerton Living Hope Lighthouse - a.m.   |  |   |   |   |  |   |
| <b>PRAYER NEEDS</b><br>Mateo and Mai Lou Garcia - home construction   | Ed & Val Schubert - children's ranch in Honduras   | Jim & Cindi Farr - work with Baruga & Korafe tribes   | Marcia Hopler - working cross-culturally  | Rev. Angel Rosado, Bethlehem PA - church plant  | Joe Toy - open air ministry in greater Philly area                           | Chris Bowers - pilot with JAARS, serving in PNG             |
| 16<br>- Jonathan Garcia (1999)<br> | 17   | 18  | 19<br><b>September 19</b><br>- Cabinet meeting  | 20<br><b>September 20</b><br>- EST Fall preview   | 21   | 22  |
| <b>PRAYER NEEDS</b><br>Janet Baker - Wycliffe - Dallas, TX  | Don & Kathryn Kunkel - VM in ID  | our church leaders in Liberia   | our church leaders in Japan   | Dan Dixon - new school year at RVA in Kenya   | Ken Sears - time with family, relief from allergies                          | our church leaders in Northeast India                       |
| 23<br><b>September 23</b> - Speak at York Iglesia Cristiana   | 24   | 25<br><b>Sept. 25 &amp; 26</b> - meetings with EC Church of Mexico leadership (here in US)<br><b>Sept. 26</b> - meeting with Mission Assessment Center development team | 26  | 27  | 28<br><b>September 28-29</b> - Worldfest, Knox Grace E.C., Knox PA<br>.....▶ | 29  |
| <b>PRAYER NEEDS</b><br>support needs of our missionaries  | Rev. Ed Runkle, Tapestry church plant  | Kurt & Nancy return to mission field  | our church leaders in Costa Rica  | our church leaders in Nepal & Myanmar   | Worldfest at Knox Grace Church   | Worldfest at Knox Grace Church                              |



## GLASS PANTS

Two American businessmen had concluded their deal with a company in a foreign country, and were going out with their colleague to celebrate. A local photographer was brought in to memorialize the moment. After setting up his camera and arranging the men in the proper position, the photographer looked at them and said "Glass pants." The Americans just looked at each other, uncomprehending. "Glass pants" repeated the photographer, then more loudly and vigorously, "Glass Pants! Glass Pants!" Their host was looking at them expectantly, but the Americans stood there nervously, not knowing what to do. Finally, in exasperation, the photographer marched over, grabbed their hands, and put them into a handshake with each other. "Glass pants" he said, shaking his head and muttering under his breath as he returned to his camera. The light dawned - 'glass pants' meant 'clasp hands.'

That may seem silly, but wars have been started over misunderstanding another culture's language and/or customs. We live in a global and very mobile society; people from every nation can be found in the USA. They may shop or work at the local convenience mart, or in our doctor's office. Sometimes we try to avoid them, because it's difficult to understand their speech. The next time you meet someone who obviously is not from your culture or language, try this experiment; smile. Say hello. See what happens. You might make a new friend - and a new opportunity to share God's love.

*"Do not mistreat an alien or oppress him,  
for you were aliens in Egypt." EXODUS 22:21*

-Pat Strain

### OUR MISSIONARY FAMILY

- **Chris Bowers** was involved in a motorcycle accident in mid-July and suffered a deep cut to his knee. It affected his ability to walk, and also to fly, for a couple of weeks. Fortunately, he has recovered completely and is back in the air.
- **Jim Bound** has left InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and is now working under Learning to Lean Ministries. Jim continues to do campus ministry in the VT area.
- **Joe Toy** and his son **Ethan** spent a week in Mississippi as part of a work team to help rebuild homes for those affected by Hurricane Katrina. Joe, Ethan and three other teenagers from their church drove down to MI to offer their time and skills.
- **Jack and Martha Murray** have a new address from the one listed in the 2007 Missionary Directory. Their new address is 11998 Rough and Ready Way, Rough and Ready, CA 95975. Please correct your records.
- **Ann Pauloski** has a new mailing address. She is now at 5111 E. Falls View Dr., San Diego, CA 92115. Please correct your records.
- **Joe Toy** is looking for folks willing to make Christmas stockings which he uses in his ministry to children in housing developments. You can find out details by emailing to Joe at [oamphilly@aol.com](mailto:oamphilly@aol.com) or calling (610) 583-2266.
- We regret to inform you that **Worldfest** in IL on September 14-15 has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. The other two Worldfests will go ahead as scheduled- OH/western PA on September 28-29 at Knox Grace, and Delaware/ Susquehanna regions on October 12-13, location to be determined.
- **Ready for Christmas?** The Global Ministries Commission would like to help you with your shopping this year! We will be sending a **GIVING CATALOG** later this fall with various 'gifts' you can give to people around the world. Watch for it!

