

E.C. Global Scene



2008 JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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HERE & THERE with Randy Sizemore		PRAYER NEEDS Rev. Randy Sizemore - starts as GM Director	Ken Sears - bible college relocation	Brian & Missy Wagner - support need	Thank our God for your freedom of religion	Roy & Sue Haglund - MAF in Idaho
6 July 6 - Speaking at Arlington Red Lion E.C.	7 - Jim Ehrman 	8	9 - Rev. Dan Dixon 	10	11	12
PRAYER NEEDS Jeremy Kunkel - ministering with EMI in Colorado	Chris Bowers - missionary pilot in Papua New Guinea	Robert & Bettina Schaeffer - serving with LIFE ministries in NY	Jamie & Anita Farr - with Wycliffe in FL - recruiting teachers	Beth & Michael Johnson - mentoring Native American boys	Rev. & Mrs. Edwin Mieses - church planters in Hazleton PA	Lori Pfeffer - running summer day camps at Waldheim Park
13 - Kurt G.  July 13 - Speaking at Pleasantville E.C., morning service	14	15 - Hannah Wagner (1999)  July 15 - New Pastors Orientation at ETS	16	17	18	19 July 18-27 - Herndon Campmeeting: serve as director
PRAYER NEEDS Garcias host Mexico night - Lititz Trinity E.C.	BJ & Rachel Whitaker - candidates to Spain	Nick & Lisa Lakatos - candidates with OMS for Mexico	Dan & Mary Lynne Wills - at JAARS in NC	Joe & Wendy Toy - summer open air ministries	Herndon Camp meeting begins	Ann Pauloski - serving in CA with Navigators
20	21 - Janet Baker* 	22	23	24 - Rev. Don Kunkel 	25	26
PRAYER NEEDS David Hershey - need to relocate to Reading	BJ & Rachel Whitaker - missionaries at Herndon	Rev. & Mrs. Rolando Diaz - church planters in Phila. PA	Don & Kathryn Kunkel - Village Missions	Dave & Celia Dick - OMS in IN - health, travel	Rosedale Campmeeting begins	Marcia Hopler - cross cultural ministry in Philadelphia
27	28	29	30	31	JULY BIRTHDAYS August 1(2001) - JoAnna Abernethy August 5(1989) - Seth Toy August 5(1989) - Ethan Toy August 9(1994) - Caleb Abernethy August 15 - John Miller 	
PRAYER NEEDS persecuted church world wide	Ed & Val Schubert - in USA for summer	Shannon Beam, GMC office staff - relocation	our EC churches in Myanmar	Rev. & Mrs. Carlos Kelly - church planters in York, PA		

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BUDDHA, BAD BOY, AND THE DALAI LAMA

Recently we held our third TEACH International conference. TEACH stands for The Evangelical Alliance of Churches, and was developed as a program to bring together the leaders of our international churches so they could meet each other and share ideas, prayer concerns, praises, etc. from each country. This year we had an unprecedented 16 international delegates attend. They shared updates about their churches, both the joys and the struggles. The delegates bonded so well, they even gave each other nicknames! Hence the title above – Henry Dennis of Liberia was Buddha due to his rounded belly, L. S. Gangte of India was the Dalai Lama due to a strong resemblance, and Elias Martinez of Mexico was Bad Boy because he gave everyone else their nicknames. ☺

Despite language barriers, there was a spirit of camaraderie and support. We had Dr. Lalrosiem Songate from India praying for our Japanese churches, Dr. John Masuda from Japan praying for Costa Rica, Rev. William Araya from Costa Rica praying for Liberia, etc. At one point, Rev. Terry Jacobs, pastor of our Riverhill E.C. Church, led us in joint prayer, each in his/her own language. Instead of a cacophony, it was a symphony of praise to the Lord of the Universe. In a way, it was a little foretaste of what heaven will be like, according to Revelations. How wonderful to know that no matter what our country or native tongue, we have a common bond in our Savior, Jesus Christ.

“...with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation...”

–Revelation 5:9b

–Pat Strain

OUR MISSIONARY FAMILY

- ▶ **Gloria Smethers** returned to Kenya at the end of June after a year of home assignment. She was able to raise the minimum amount AIM required for her car allowance, so she was given permission to go back.
- ▶ **Ken Sears** also returned at the end of June, after coming to the USA to participate in our TEACH International conference as well as a brief visit with family/friends.
- ▶ **Ron and Brenda Anderson** were also in the USA for ECMI board meetings, and stayed to participate in TEACH International. They returned to Spain in early June.
- ▶ **Mateo and Mai Lou Garcia** are in the USA for a month. They will be hosting two Mexico nights – June 30th at St. David’s Weigelstown, and July 13th at Trinity E.C. in Lititz, PA. These programs will have the food and flavor of Mexico, as the Garcias share about their work.
- ▶ **David, Conce and Andrew Roof** are back in Brazil, relocating to the northern city of Belem. They hosted a work team from their home church of Myerstown Zion E.C. in late June to help with the building of the new church.
- ▶ **Dan Dixon** arrives in the USA this month to begin a six month home assignment. He will be staying at the missionary apartments in Lititz through December.
- ▶ **Jim Farr** will also be returning to the USA for a six month home assignment. He will be with son Jamie and family in FL for July and August, and then will be traveling a bit. Jim will be staying at the Lititz missionary apartments when he is in PA.
- ▶ **Ed, Val, Wes and AJ Schubert** are in the USA until early September. They will be visiting family, friends and supporters throughout the Northeast.
- ▶ **Jane Heck** will be in the USA for two months visiting friends and family in the Ohio area. Please keep all our missionaries who are in transit covered in prayer.
- ▶ We were glad to learn that **David and Celia Dick** did not have any damage to their home in the recent flooding in the Greenwood IN area.
- ▶ **The Ehrman Family – Jim, Aiyana, Kent and Eve** – will be relocating to New Haven, CT this month so that Jim can begin his position as developer and director of the World Christianity Project for Yale Divinity School. The Ehrmans will have missionary emeritus status with us. Jim’s GMC email address, jehрман@eccenter.com, will be active until September 1st. Please keep the Ehrmans in prayer as they move into a new home, the children start new schools, and Jim and Aiyana move into new positions.

