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*To the end that
all may know.....*

To The Church Triumphant

Rosella Nolin
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Marjorie Christy
Jannie Swart

Future Dates -

Mark your calendars NOW !

♦ July 18 - 25, 2015
♦ July 23 - 30, 2016
♦ July 22 - 29, 2017
♦ July 21 - 28, 2018

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Fall, 2014

**110TH NEW WILMINGTON MISSION CONFERENCE
JULY 18 - 25, 2015**

THEME VERSE ~

*"I will make you as a light for the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 49:6b)*

WELCOME Tom English ~ Chairman of the Board !

When not preparing Tator Tot Casserole or enjoying the many exciting recreational activities in and around Toledo, Ohio, our new NWMC Chair Tom English loves spending time with his wife Katrina, children Maddie, Evan, Matthew and Elise and wonder dog Keke. Tom graduated from both Westminster College and The Ohio State University. He owns and operates the Schokolad Chocolate Factory in Columbus, Ohio where he and his team of chocolatiers make European-style, hand-dipped truffles and ganaches. In 1974, his parents brought Tom and his sister to NWMC for the first time. While Tom played in the creek, his parents worked in the field house as dining hall hosts. During his 40+ years at NWMC, Tom has served as the Juniors program coordinator, the Kids Club coordinator, Bookstore manager and member of the Summer Service Interview Team. NWMC highlights include falling in love with Katrina Miller at NWMC in 1985 and leading the 2006 Summer Service to Siberia. Tom is very excited about working with the brilliantly talented Board members, all of whom share a love for Christ and NWMC.



BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Exciting Board Meeting!!

It may seem like those words don't go together...but a lot of energy and enthusiasm came together at the October 24-25th Board meeting with the start of a consultancy with Caroline Kurtz. The NWMC Board of Managers asked Caroline to work with us for the next 15 months to help take a look back at our roots, claim our identity, consider our audience in a new day, and chart a course for the coming years. Everyone connected with NWMC will be invited to participate at some point in the process. Caroline will be meeting with different groups during the Conference next summer. Please pray for the Board as we discern how to participate in God's mission.

Board Highlights

1. Stop Hunger Now was adopted as the service project again in 2015 with a minimum financial commitment of \$6000.
2. Up to \$6000 was approved for installing new end panels on Anderson Auditorium following the conference next summer. Ed Pollock will organize a work crew.
3. A new electrical panel will be installed in Anderson Auditorium.
4. The Board approved full involvement of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, the Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians, and Community Fellowship (PCUSA) churches alongside the PCUSA. All will be specifically invited to NWMC and will be included in planning and leadership.
5. The Junior High program will now include those who have completed 8th grade.
6. Each Board member committed to give and raise money for NWMC.



NWMC Consultant - Caroline Kurtz

Caroline Kurtz first attended New Wilmington Mission Conference in 1955, the child of Harold and Polly Kurtz, who were commissioned for mission service to Ethiopia under the United Presbyterian Church of North America. The family returned for a furlough in 1959 and attended NWMC again. Caroline remembers the tents with sawdust on the ground and the meals served in the field house with "O Come My Soul" sung as the mealtime prayer each day. She says it gave her the shivers.

Caroline married a boarding school sweetheart (also a Presbyterian), Mark Rasmussen, and they returned with their three children to mission service in Ethiopia under PCUSA from 1990-2000.

Caroline then worked for twelve years with Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship brokering mission partnerships between Presbyterian congregations and frontier mission work in Ethiopia and Turkey.

Today, four of Caroline's grandchildren are fourth-generation missionary kids, living and attending an international school in Nairobi, Kenya where her daughter is a missionary. Another grandchild was born in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, where Caroline's son and daughter-in-law were teaching. The international life, and incarnational, cross-cultural ministry runs deep and wide in Caroline and her family. We are pleased that she brings this breadth of experience to the NWMC board as it updates our mission and vision and positions us for effective ministry in the years ahead.



Summer Service 2015 CUBA !

- Lauren Bentley
- Rebecca Bowman
- Hannah Brooks
- Adam Butler
- Nell Herring
- Steve McCoy
- Leader:
- Laura Broesamle

Quotes from Last Summer's Conference - What was most meaningful to you?

"I love meeting people from around the world. I love to learn about the work that God is doing around the world!"

"The speakers, the delegates. As a first timer I felt so welcomed. The sharing of God's love was evident."

"God bless all the community and the organizers of the Conference. It is a life changing moment for me."

"This experience was everything our friends told us and more !!!"

"Really enjoyed Bible Hour and Mission Hour "

"Hearing mission, Christ upheld, Christ's love experienced"

"Jesus is the center of the conference! We hear his name many times each day."

"The kids. I love working with these kids... encouraging them and reassuring them of God's love."

See You in New Wilmington

Nearly 100% of you reading this appreciate (even fanatically love) NWMC. So, how do we help others to value (or fervently love) "Conference"?

I challenged each board member to develop a plan to invite and encourage others to "come and see" NWMC (so they can love it). Each member is going to e-mail me his/her plan to get others to attend.

Here is part of my plan.

Target college students directly – I will invite the ones I know and everyone I meet in church settings (as well as the chaplains, pastors, and their parents).

Target junior high students – My strategy is the same. It is harder to get high school and college students; so I want to build a love for NWMC at a young age.

Target youth leaders and pastors, especially PTS alums – I will invite them to come for their study leave and bring their families (which may require some scholarship help, so if you know any sources...).

Tom English's plan is to target each member of the Summer Service team he took to Siberia in 2006. I challenge you to develop a plan and e-mail me – ddawson@pts.edu. Think of it as part of your missionary calling.

To the end that all may know,

~ Don



End of Year Gifts

As you consider your end-of-the-year charitable giving, please remember NWMC – either the General Fund ("NWMC") or the Endowment Fund ("NWMCEF"). Thank you in advance.

2015 SPEAKERS

Morning Meeting: Mike Haddox, Meridian Presbyterian Church, Butler, PA

Adult 2 Bible: Rev. Dr. Michael Carey, Trinity Wellsprings Church, Satellite Beach, FL

See the website for more updates about speakers for next summer !