Monday Memo

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Announcements

Logos Bible Software

Sep 15-29: qualified students get Logos Bible Software libraries at about $1.35 per book. Visit our site for more info. www.logos.com/academic/inwes/fall2008

Application to the Major: If you have declared a major in Christian Ministries, Youth Ministries, Adolescent Ministries, Christian Education, Children's Ministry or Worship, you must apply and be admitted to these majors. Application forms are available in the Religion Office and should be submitted at the end of your sophomore year or the beginning of your junior year. Failure to apply could mean a delay in taking some classes and therefore delaying graduation. You can start the process today if you have finished the three introductory classes.

For sophomores - seniors applying to Christian Ministries or Youth majors, who have completed Old & New Testament Survey and the introductory class to the major, don't forget to sign up with Aldersgate. Sandra.metz@student.indwes.edu

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A Go with God Moment
By Dr. David Smith

A "***Go with God***" moment,

Friends;

Do you remember Fall Summit? Do you remember Tuesday evening? Do you remember Dave Ward preaching from James 5:17-18

> [17] Elijah was a man just like us. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. [18] Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

Know that the likeness which your professors share with Elijah is that we are men and women of prayer. Hear your professors, men and women; pray…biblically…for you, the students whom God has entrusted to our care, and for our entire campus.

- We pray for *harmony*; for unity is the ultimate prayer of Jesus (John 17:11);
- We pray for *other-centered minds*; for Christ calls us to mimic His model (Phil 2:5-11);
- We pray for *servant-like garments*; for a basin and towel are the business attire of a Christian leader (John 13);
- We pray for *the enlightening of minds*; for a Godly solution to this issue will certainly not be conceived by mere mortals (Eph 1:17-23);
- We pray for *mutually compatible visions*; which like the ones given to Cornelius (Acts 10:1-8) and Peter (Acts 10:9-16) do not make sense without the insight of each being shared communally in submission to God's Will.
- We pray for *broken and contrite hearts*; otherwise, how will God hear our prayers and heal us (2 Chron 7:14);
- We pray for *ears to hear and eyes to see*; for blindness to the proceedings of the Kingdom and deafness to the voice of God is the curse of all humanity; even those closest to Him (Mark 4:11-13; 8:17-21);
- We pray for *a passion to follow*, regardless of the destination, even to Jerusalem and to the cross (Mark 10:52; John 21:18-19);
- We pray for *individual and corporate holiness of heart*; for in this very process we will make our statement to the world of who we claim to be; may purity of heart reign. (John 17:13-19)

Lord, Hear our Prayers.....

May we corporately "Go with God."

Go With God Moments can now be found on the web at http://go-with-god.blogspot.com/

Attention students:

Would you like to know what your professors believe about the Bible and Sanctification? This just might help with answers in future interviews with churches or with your District Board of Ministerial Development (DBMD). www.TrueWesleyan.com

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Investigating Seminaries?
Check out this website:
http://whichseminary.blogspot.com

Fall EXPO 2008
@NTS
See MM calendar @ the end of this email for more info.

Math Competency Exam:
Sep 23, 24, 25
See attachment for details.

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Bible Students, and lovers of the Word in electronics…

This Tuesday @ 11am in the Youth Lab (CM135), Bob Dasal from *WORDSearch* Bible Software will be here to give a demonstration of their Bible software package (Check out their products @ http://www.wordsearchbible.com/). I've seen it, used it a bit, and it has some real strengths for you. If you attend the demo, he will give you an opportunity to purchase any version of the program at a 50% savings. It's worth your time just to see the product in action, so you can compare it with other options on the market today.

REL 481: Ministry Expansion and Church Planting
(Alternate course title: Missional Ministry and Expansion)

Calling all ministry students who have a heart to radically explore perceptions of effective ministry:

> The ministry landscape is changing at a rapid pace. Church leaders must devise new ways of reaching people with a timeless message. People will not naturally arrive in the doors of a church. The church must go to them. Ministry effectively happens outside the walls of the church as the community of believers looks beyond itself.

This class will take students on a journey of discovery as we wrestle with the biblical mandate to "Go and make…" as it relates to starting new churches, transforming existing churches into sending communities and helping leaders transition to a more missional approach.

The class is being offered FALL of 2009 on Tuesday evenings in the Department of Religious Studies.

World Hope International will hold a workshop at IWU on Saturday October 25, while filming a training video. The instructional sessions are from 8:45 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Training topics led by Dr. Thom Kettelkamp from Houghton will include:

1. Serving for long-term results and expectations – What the volunteer will leave behind in the host country
2. Things you need to know before you go – Preparing for the trip (Mechanics of the trip)
3. Things you need to know while on the field – Disengagement and serving in the host country
4. Things you need to know when you get home – Reengagement into your culture and next steps

Security issues for WHI teams/volunteers will be discussed plus Jeff Johnson will present a session on "Serving with Dignity." This is training that we have offered for a cost of $200/person to longer-term volunteers and team leaders so this is quite a steal to have a opportunity to attend without paying for the training.

Please confirm your intent to attend the training by emailing Debbie Hoover at debbiehoover@worldhope.net before October 9. Training is limited to 15 students.

MINISTRY

2008 Day of Healing
Wabash Friends Counseling Center

Purpose: to provide support to those who are hurting and facing difficult situations & help leaders, parents and spouses grow.
When: Sat, Nov 1, 8:20-4:30
Website:
www.wabashfriendscounseling.com

OPPORTUNITIES

For more detailed information on ministry opportunities, stop by the Religion office.
**Indicates new entry this week.*

Full Time Ministry Opportunities

Youth Ministry

***Youth/Student Pastor – Faith Wesleyan Church – Atkinson, NE**
Faith Wesleyan Church of Atkinson, NE is seeking to partner with an energetic, spiritually passionate, team player to serve Christ and His church as a full-time youth/student ministries pastor. Candidates for this position must be willing to embrace our mission to make fully devoted disciples of Jesus Christ through incarnational relationships.

Atkinson is a small rural/agricultural community located in the Sand hills of Northeast Nebraska. Faith Wesleyan Church is a congregation of 175+ people with a strong mid-week Children's/youth ministry. In addition to youth pastor responsibilities, this position will include other ministry related duties that will be determined based on the candidate's competencies and gift mix.

Please submit your resume to: Pastor Tim Willson, Faith Wesleyan Church, 1203 N. State Hwy. 11, Atkinson, NE 68713.
Or e-mail to: tim@faithwesleyan.org

Christ United Methodist Church – Moravia, NY
Do you love youth? Are you on fire for the Lord? Have we got an opportunity for you! Christ United Methodist Church in Moravia (Central Lakes District), New York is looking for the right person to fill our full-time Youth Minister position.

Christ UMC is a spirit-filled, family-friendly, growing congregation, and is located near Casowasco Camp Conference and Retreat Center, about one hour south of Syracuse. Please send your letter of interest, references and resume to: Rev. Dave Hays, Christ United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 728, Moravia, NY 13118. For questions, you may contact: **pastordbhays@yahoo.com.**

Children's Ministry

First Baptist Church – Kokomo, IN
The First Baptist Church of Kokomo Indiana has begun to search for a director of Children's Ministry. The intercity church is located at 310 W. Taylor Street and is non-denominational incorporated, under the laws of the state of Indiana on October 3, 1952.

Mission Statement

"We are the church family that exacts God in all that we do, by experiencing our faith as a community, by evangelizing our neighbors, and by edifying and equipping one another for ministry, so that we can extend encouragement and hope through our mission outreach to the entire world."

We encourage candidates to apply with resumes thru your Career Services within your university and/or college. A complete job description can be found in the Religion office. First Baptist web site is www.fbckokomo.org, e-mail address is fbc@fbckokomo.org, and can be contacted at (765) 452-5451.

Part Time Ministry

Practicum/Intern

Worship Leader Internship – McGrawsville United Methodist Church – Amboy, IN
MUMC (30 minutes from campus) is looking for someone who can lead worship for the college age ministry by playing guitar and singing for the college-age ministry on Sundays during Sunday school throughout this fall semester starting immediately. Other opportunities to lead could arise as well. Mileage reimbursement and small financial gift offered. Contact Ryan Jorgenson 765-395-7712 or ryan@mcgrawsville.org

Worship Leader Internship – River Oaks Community Church – Indianapolis, IN
ROCC is a non-denominational church located in one of the fastest growing suburbs north of Indianapolis. We are looking for a **worship leader** who is able to convey enthusiasm, minister with songs in the vein of Chris Tomlin and the Passion CD's but can also do a hymn on occasion, lead in prayer between songs so as to help people focus on embracing the presence of God, bring a postmodern, lively, and enthusiastic style of music. Guitar, keyboard, and vocal skills preferred. Full-time position possible after graduation, if it's a good fit. This would be the perfect opportunity to sharpen your skills through a completely hands-on internship. Please send resume to pastor@myrocc.com with "Worship Intern" in the subject line. We would be happy to come up and interview with you on campus. Check out our website for more information about our church. www.myrocc.com

Practicum - Central Christian Church - Van Buren, IN Looking for a practicum? CCC is a medium-sized (70-80 each Sunday service, 25-30 youth on Sunday Night) congregation looking for students to get involved! We are a loving church with a family atmosphere. The church is only 20 minutes away, and transportation is available! For more information, call Pastor Will at (740)707-2570 or e-mail at wshelor@gmail.com.

Independence Church of Christ - Hartford City, IN
ICC is in need of a someone to preach on Sunday mornings (and possibly do some occasional hospital visitations). This is a wonderful opportunity for some practical experience. If you would like to bless this small congregation, stop in the Religion office or call (765)728-5568 for more details.

Youth Pastor

Open Door Fellowship Church – Converse, IN
ODF is looking for a youth minister. Pay and time commitment to be determined. Contact Pastor Jim Miller: 765-661-4349 Website: http://converseopendoor.org/

Gas City Wesleyan – Gas City IN
We are still looking for someone to work with our youth. We are offering $100 a month with a monthly love offering. We would like the individual to become a part of the church fabric by attendance at services in which they may not have specific responsibilities to fulfill. The specific time would probably be Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. and perhaps, Sunday evenings. The a.m. Sunday School class is currently staffed by a lay person. We want someone who will add dimension rather than replacing. You may email Bill Barlow at wbarlow1@indy.rr.com.

Children's Pastor

Pleasant Dale Church of the Brethren - Decatur, IN
This is a new part time position (15 hours, average) paying about $10-15/hour for our church. We are looking for someone with a genuine passion and enthusiasm for children's ministry who will display Christ-like qualities with children, peers, and staff; someone who possesses the spiritual gifts of administration, teaching, encouragement, and has a strong desire to teach and lead children and their families to Christ. Whoever is hired will be allowed to have flexibility in order to make this ministry work for them, our church, and the children. Resumes should be submitted to Search Committee, Pleasant Dale Church of the Brethren, 4504 W 300 N, Decatur, Indiana 46733. Phone: 260-565-3797 Email: pastorjay@pleasantdalechurch.org Website: www.pleasantdalechurch.org

Senior Pastor

Independence Church of Christ - Hartford City, IN
ICC is in need of a senior minister. This is a wonderful opportunity to minister and grow a small church body. Attendance has been low due to deaths and the fact that most members are 65 and over. If you would like to send a letter of interest, stop in the Religion office or call (765)728-5568 for more details.

Volunteers

Sweetser United Methodist Church – Sweetser, IN
Sweetser UMC is located 5 miles outside of Marion on SR 18. Areas of children's ministry interest include: worship leader, teaching SS class (ages 2-12 yrs old), and leading Bible studies (young women, 11-4; young men, 11-14). For more information, contact Ashley Corn: (765) 384-7354 or email acorn@sweetserumc.org

Other Ministry Opportunities:

Check our webpage**:** http://cas.indwes.edu/Academic-Divisions/Religion-philosophy/

Wesleyan Ministry Opportunities Website: http://www.wesleyan.org/doc/employment

May the peace of Christ Surround you.