



The Heritage

Releasing the Power of the Smaller Church ESCN Conference

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May 4 and 5, 2007

The main speakers for this conference are **Jeff Walling, Brian Jones, Terry O'Casey** and **Erik Neilson**.

Your registration fee includes refreshment breaks and admission to the closing banquet. Registration is done through Standard Publishing and can be accessed by going to the Oregon Christian Convention website: www.oregonchristianconvention.org



Quilts of Hope Service Project

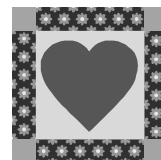
**155th Oregon Christian Convention
"Tied Together in Christ"
June 26-July 1, 2007**

Thank you to all who have responded to the Quilts of Hope project. It is fantastic that there is so much interest in this service project. We will meet our goal of covering the needy in warmth, love, and prayers with your help.

There are many quilters who want to use alternative and recycled contents, such as old mattress pads and blankets for filling. This is encouraged. For those of you wanting variations on the size, please feel free to do so as well. We will welcome whatever you provide.

We have had quite a bit of crochet thread donated for tying the quilts. Each knot will be a prayer for the recipient.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Margaret Cleveland 503-910-7796 or amcleveland@minetfiber.com.



FINANCIAL PLANNING MINISTRY

At their February Board meeting, the OCC Board voted to join the Oregon Consortium of Financial Planning Ministry. Based in Southern California for over 20 years FPM provides seminars, legal counsel, and a process by which Living Trusts are created. Sponsors of FPM, such as OCC, host seminars at which the Living Trust is explained and attendees are given help in the process of creating a Living Trust. A Living Trust avoids probate court and speeds up the process by which heirs may receive intended distribution of assets.

WiNeMa Christian Camp, OCEF, NWCEA, and Turner Retirement Homes are the other four members of the Oregon Consortium. OCC will sponsor an information seminar at the Convention this summer, on Wednesday afternoon, June 27. Plan to attend if you are interested in learning about this valuable vehicle of stewardship. Younger families as well as single adults are encouraged to consider this also.

Association with FPM will encourage Church members and supporters of OCC to include OCC in their estate planning. This is promoted and possible because the creating of a Living Trust through FPM carries no cost. Those who complete a Trust are encouraged to at least give money saved by not paying for the creation of a Living Trust, to one of many sponsors of FPM, of which OCC is now one. OCC pays a monthly fee to participate, which for the time being is being personally underwritten by Board members and friends of OCC, over and above other support.

Spring Rally

May 5, 2007

"Take the Lead" Judges 9:1-21

Guest Speaker: Shawn McMullen

Shawn McMullen is editor of *The Lookout*, a national magazine for Christian families, minister of the Church of Christ in Milan, Indiana, and director of the Energizing Smaller Churches Network, a national organization created to encourage leaders and volunteers in smaller churches. He has written four children's books and numerous articles. His most recent books include *I Want to Teach My Child About Fitness*, from Standard Publishing's Busy Parent Series, *Unleashing the Potential of the Smaller Church*, and *Releasing the Power of the Smaller Church* (scheduled for release in July of 2007). Shawn and his wife Ree have three daughters.



Bill Coleman and the "Good News" Gospel String Band

The event kicks off at 3:00 p.m. with a concert presented by Bill Coleman and the "Good News" Gospel String Band.

Come hear the sounds of good old hymns, Appalachian mountain music and gospel favorites from the last century.

Plan to stay for dinner!
Dinner will be served after the rally. Cost is \$5.50.

NOTE: Informational Packets from OCC are being sent to Churches and will arrive this month. These packets contain posters, registration information, brochures and details about all of the upcoming Oregon Christian Convention events. Please encourage your church to utilize all of the information sent. Be a part of the 2007 Oregon Christian Convention.



Worship at the 2006 Convention

Kids Corner
If you brought your horse to convention in the early 1900's how much would it cost to feed it for the week? Get the answer at the OCC website oregonchristianconvention.org Convention is for Kids!



Giving Made Easy

In the last Heritage, we gave you some ideas of different projects, programs and needs of the Convention that could be the object of your giving. Did you know that there are also many ways that you can contribute also?

Personal Checks – Most of you are faithful contributors to the ongoing expenses and needs of the convention grounds but sending a monthly check. These checks are the lifeblood of the financial health of OCC.

Credit Card – Some of you call and give us with your credit card number and the amount you wish to contribute.

BUT DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN MAKE YOUR DONATIONS ONLINE? DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN REGISTER FOR OUR MAJOR EVENTS ONLINE?

If you log into the Oregon Christian Convention Website, you can click on Donation and it will let you choose a couple of different ways to contribute OR for what event you are registering using credit card, Pay Pal Account or just to notify us that you will send a check.

BUT THERE IS MORE !!!!

If you go online to www.escrip.com and sign up your membership card, credit card or debit card that you use at Safeway, Linens & Things, or a host of other stores and select OCC as the organization that you want contributions to go to, for each purchase you make we get a percent as a contribution from that store. Our escrip ID is #500007181.

There are so many exciting programs being planned that will benefit all of our churches and unify our Christian community, but it will take the enthusiasm and involvement of Christians throughout Oregon (Washington and Idaho) to make these programs work as we strive to strengthen the Christian Church/Church of Christ Movement in this **the most unchurched state in the union.**

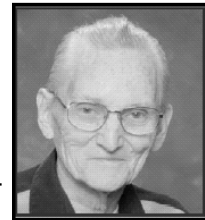
The Speaker Who Didn't Show Up

The 1960 Convention met the summer before my sophomore year in High School. Ard Hoven and Perry Epler Gresham were the main speakers for that Convention, but the one who had a direct bearing on my life was the speaker who did not show up.

During those Conventions special youth-oriented sessions were planned for the tabernacle-sometimes on Saturday evenings, sometimes on Sunday afternoon. On Sunday, July 3, of the 1960 Convention was scheduled an "Assembly of Christian Youth" for 2:30 P.M. It had been publicized that then Oregon Governor Mark O. Hatfield was to be the speaker for that youth assembly. But the Governor got sick at the last minute, and was unable to make that appointment.

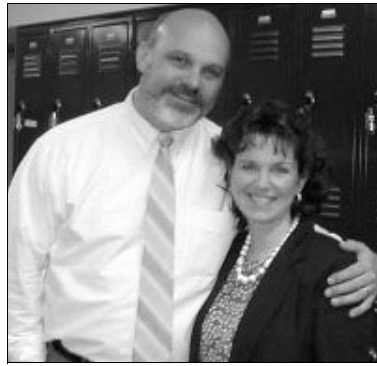
So into the breach stepped Medford Jones. Medford preached a challenging message to those youth assembled, confronting us with the summons to "full-time Christian service." At the invitation to make such a commitment, I stepped out and pledged myself to the ministry as God would lead me. It is a call and a choice I have never regretted.

That, in part is why my loyalty to the Oregon Christian Convention remains strong, and why our family participates each year (even as "foreigners and aliens" from Washington). Interestingly, the theme for the 1960 Convention was "Now Is the Hour," under the larger theme of "The Decade of Decision." It was the right hour for me, and it was definitely a significant decision. Frank Musgrave



MAYFEST May 2-4, 2007
"Only God is Awesome"

Speaker: David Ladd
Pastor of New Hope Christian Church
in South Everett, Washington.



Workshops:

- "Empowering Grandparents" Beth Ladd
- "Worship When I'm Not in Church" Judy Isom
- "Modern Idolatry" Dick Sargent, Associate Pastor at Southside Church of Christ in Lebanon, Oregon.

Music:

- Wednesday- Mac Cunningham
- Thursday- Virginia Patton

Registration includes your mid-day meal on Thursday.

Register Early and Save!

Individual: \$30.00 before April 15

Individual: \$35.00 after April 15.

Groups of 10 or more from the same church:
\$25.00 per person.

Housing is free for this years event.

Take advantage of this opportunity to share and grow with your brothers and sisters in the Lord.

For more information call the OCC office at 503-743-2101. Register online at www.oregonchristianconvention.org

Mark Your Calendars:
April 28 & May 26
**All Church, All Christians,
All Family, All One
WORK DAYS!**
8:00 a.m.

Your participation in the ongoing development of the OCC grounds will ensure that the beautiful property donated by the Turner family will continue to be a blessing to generations of Christians to come.

Much of the work currently done at OCC is achieved through the efforts of volunteers.

So set aside some time to be part of a community of volunteers as we paint, plant, build and restore.

Your participation will make all the difference.



One guy really can't paint this whole building!

Administrative Professionals Conference: April 19th, 2007



Bonnie Miller, office manager at Vancouver Church of Christ, will be speaking on the topic: "What in the World Are We Doing, For Heaven's Sake?"

Bonnie Miller received an A.A. from Columbia University in 1967, a B.A. in journalism from Pepperdine College in 1969 and an M.S. in ministry from Pepperdine University in 2001. Bonnie has teaching experience with Ladies Bible Class and Sunday School from Cradle Roll through high school. She is a freelance writer and photographer. Bonnie was a research assistant for *Christians on the Oregon trail* by Jerry Rushford. She is currently writing a book to be published next year by ACU Press about the single female missionaries to Japan before WWII.

The Media Team from Crossroads Church in Portland, Oregon will give a workshop style presentation on ways to improve layout and design of newsletters, bulletins and other media documents. Kelly Lance, Carla Adyelott and the Sweet Home Drama Group will also be sharing at this years event. Registration is \$25.00 and includes a fabulous lunch by Chef Phillip. Register online at www.oregonchristianconvention.org

GIFTS IN MEMORY OF...

Ray Bascue

R.C. & Eunice Royston

Gladys Gregory

*Susan & David Leedom
Robert & Betty Gregory*

Hilda Huff

Margy Petersen

Timothy Kribs

*Fred & Jean Ozan
Dave & Nellie Jonasson*

Wayne La Farge

Lorna La Farge

Al Lavar

Doris Laver

Sid Meek

Marlys Meek

Woodrow Phillips

Minnie Mick-Phillips

G. Louise Pulsifer

*Galan & Joann Sidell
Ray Pulsifer*

John & Ruby Schmid

Lorna La Farge

Lawrence Sunkler

Anonymous

Liz Terryah

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Norlene Payne*

Vivian Triplett

Wilma Parrish

David L. Welsh

Ann Welsh

Lloyd F. Wilson

Wilma Parrish

IN HONOR OF...

Opal Capps

Carol Capps

Kelly Lance

Gerald Rudberg

ON BEHALF OF...

Genevieve "Midge" Kullowatz

*Sue Franco
Brett Nelson*

Northwest Connections:

April 29: Sing & Such

Sweet Home Church of Christ is hosting its second Sing & Such on April 29th at 6:00 pm. Music, drama, poetry and stories will be presented by various churches at this event. For more information call 541-367-2094.

Kern Park Celebrates 100 Years

Every second Sunday of the month is a celebration at Kern Park Christian Church in Portland, Oregon. Each second Sunday features a previous minister. The next Celebration Sunday is May 13th during the worship service. For more information call 503-774-8819 or check the Kern Park website at www.kernpark.com

Boise Bible College

2007 Spring Conference May 8-10. Conference begins Tuesday morning, May 8, and concludes Thursday evening, May 10. Plan to be at Boise Bible College for a time of spiritual renewal and encouragement. See the progress on the building program. You are invited to stay for graduation Friday evening. For more information go to the BBC website at www.boisebible.edu or call 1-800-893-7755.

TRH Flea Market: June 1-2

The Turner Retirement Homes flea market, blow out sale, is one you don't want to miss! Items for sale include books, furniture, collectibles, craft supplies, clothing, tools, jewelry...the list is endless. All proceeds go to the Turner Retirement Homes.

Emmanuel School of Religion

A cottage in the Emmanuel Village will be named the Jerry Rudberg Cottage in honor of Jerry's years of service. **Western Students Scholarship Banquets** will be held in late April in Buhl, Meridian and Nez Perce, Idaho; Enterprise and Bend, Oregon and Pomeroy, Washington.

Note: If your church or organization would like to announce an upcoming event or share a news item please contact Dianne McIntosh at 541-367-5651 or email her at dianne@oregonchristianconvention.org
The deadline for the June issue of the Heritage is May 30th.

Those who have gone to be with the Lord...

Ruth Fowler-December 17, 2006
Helen Moore February 16, 2007
Polly Smith-March 22, 2007
Elizabeth Terryah-January 16, 2007
Doris White-January 22, 2007
Willie White-March 25, 2007

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The outstanding line-up of speakers includes:
Dr. Doug Priest, Dr. Doug Skinner, Dr. Doug Foster, Dr. LeRoy Lawson



Music: Melissa Stock ♦ **Youth:** Lloyd Love ♦ **Children:** Shelley Magnuson

Saturday, June 30th is **family day** with a carnival and special events; culminating with a spectacular **fireworks display**. For more convention information call 503-743-2101 or check out our web-site.

Register Today! online www.oregonchristianconvention.org



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