

E.C. Global Scene



2009 JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>missionary birthdays</i></p> <p>* INDICATES RETIREE</p> <p>HERE & THERE with Randy Sizemore</p>				1	2	3
						<p>- Jim Farr</p> <p>- Lamar Stoltzfus (c)</p> <p>January 3-4 - Travel to and preach at First E.C., Canton, Ohio</p>
					<p>PRAYER NEEDS Praise God for new opportunities to share Him with others!</p>	<p>Rev. Angel Rosado, Bethlehem church plant</p> <p>Pray for Christians in India, especially Mumbai area</p>
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	- Jim Stahl			- Celia Dick		- Dan Wills
<p>PRAYER NEEDS An Pauloski - in CA with Navigators</p>	Pray for our EC churches in Costa Rica	Barbara Erb - retiree in FL	Pray for the persecuted church	Joe Toy - open air ministries in Philly area	Pray for our EC churches in Mexico	Pray for EC churches in Japan
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
- Alyssa Stoltzfus (1994) (c)		- Mark Anderson (1989)				
	January 12-27 - Trip to Liberia with GMC member Jerry Virtue					
<p>PRAYER NEEDS Dave & Celia Dick - serving in IN with OMS</p>	Randy & Jerry leave for Liberia - health and safe trip	Don & Kathryn Kunkel - Village Ministries	David Hershey - campus ministry	Ed & Val Schubert - ministering in Honduras	Rev. Carlos Kelly, York church planter	Gwen Melger - retiree in FL
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
					- Anita Farr	
<p>PRAYER NEEDS Roy & Sue Haglund - serving with MAF in Idaho</p>	Jamie & Anita Farr - new baby, ministry with Wycliffe	Rev. Nathan Fry, Palmerton PA restart	Chris Bowers - pilot in PNG, wedding plans	Marcia Hopler - working with IVCF student leaders in Phila. area	Kurt & Nancy Graff - health, relocation to PA, future plans	Alex Ruiz - retiring as EC missionary at end of this month
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	- Kathy Wilson				- Randy Amberman	- Christopher Bowers
	- Alejandro Ruiz				- David Hershey	- Ann Pauloski
<p>PRAYER NEEDS Lamar & Janice Stoltzfus - new candidates with AIM</p>	Pray for our EC churches in NE India and Nepal	Randy & Jerry return from Liberia	Pray for our EC churches in Liberia and Launch Liberia	Dan & Mary Lynne Wills - at JAARS center serving Wycliffe	Brad & Maxine Waldman - teacher training in Caribbean	Nick & Lisa Lakatos - candidates with OMS to serve in Mexico



ARE WE THERE YET?

Many of you will have traveled over the holidays to visit friends and family. Some of you will have made those trips with children, which can make the time en route seem like an eternity, depending on your little ones. Kids always seem to know how to push your buttons. The cries of “Mom, he touched me!” and “She’s on my side!” can grate on nerves already jangled by the traffic and careless drivers. And of course, there is the classic question which usually comes about half way into the trip; “Are we there yet?”

In his letter to the Hebrews, the apostle Paul is dealing with believers who ‘aren’t there yet.’ He urges them to spiritual maturity; reminding them to move beyond the basics of their faith and to grow in the Word. In other words, they are to stop acting like children and grow up in the faith. Paul’s words reach through the centuries to believers today – Are we there yet?

“Therefore let us leave the elementary teaching about Christ and go on to maturity... And God permitting, we will do so.” HEBREWS 6:1a,3

–Pat Strain.

OUR MISSIONARY FAMILY

• Welcome to **Lamar and Janice Stoltzfus**, our latest missionary candidates. The Stoltzfus family, with children Alyssa and Donovan, have been accepted by the Global Ministries Commission and Africa Inland Mission to be teachers at Rift Valley Academy in Kenya. They have already served in that capacity for the 2005-2006 school year, and now are going back as career missionaries. Contact the Global Ministries office if you would like to have the Stoltzfuses share at your church.

• Congratulations to **Jamie and Anita Farr**, who have adopted another baby. J.J. is the biological brother of Farris’ son Brandon. This makes three little ones all under three years old – no worries about too much spare time at the Farr household!

• **Director Randy Sizemore and GMC member Jerry Virtue** will spend two weeks in Liberia in mid-January. They will meet with EC Church superintendent Rev. Matthew Gueh and also OMS International representative Andre van Blydenstein to see the churches planted through Launch Liberia program. Randy and Jim will also try to visit as many of the existing E.C. churches as possible. Please keep them in prayer for safety in travel and good health for all involved.

• **Jim Farr** and his fiancée Joan Henry have returned to Papua New Guinea to prepare for their wedding in late February. Joan is also a Wycliffe-SIL missionary who has served in PNG for many years. Jim and Joan will live at Ukarumpa, the SIL Center before leaving for the villages of Baga and Erika where Jim and Cindi had done translation work.

• **New Mailing address – Ed and Val Schubert** have a new mailing address. It’s c/o Ken and Sandi Foltz, 610 N. Center St., Lena, IL 61048. The Schuberts remain in Honduras, but it is best to send mail through the Foltzes.

• **REMINDER** – we will send you enough Window on the World and EC Scene for you to distribute to all members of your churches. The current issue of Window also has our 2008-09 Giving Catalog included. If you would like copies of just the Giving Catalog, please call the Global Ministries office at 1-800-866-7584 and talk to Carla or Pat

