

# EC Global Scene



# 2009 MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>31</b> - Mary Lynne Wills - Rev. Jack Murray*</p> <p><b>MAY 31</b> - Commissioning service for Lamar and Janice Stoltzfus - Faith EC Church, Lancaster, PA - morning</p> <p><b>PRAYER NEEDS</b> Stoltzfus family being commissioned at Lancaster Faith</p>	<p><b>HERE &amp; THERE</b> with Randy Sizemore</p>	<p><b>June B'days</b></p> <p>June 6 - Bonnie Bound June 7 - William Bowers June 8 - Rev. Nick Lakatos (c) June 11 - Wendy Toy June 12 - Martha Murray* June 12 (1991) - Leah Sizemore</p> <p>* INDICATES RETIREE (c) INDICATES CANDIDATE + INDICATES MISSIONS ASSOCIATE</p>			<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>PRAYER NEEDS</b> Our EC churches and church plants in Liberia</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Roy &amp; Sue Haglund - serving with MAF in ID</p>
<p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>MAY 3</b> - Speak at Willow Street (PA) Community EC in morning</p> <p><b>PRAYER NEEDS</b> Our EC churches &amp; bible college in Northeast India</p>	<p><b>4</b> - Nancy Graff - Conce Roof</p> <p>Keep Kurt and Nancy Graff in prayer for future plans</p>	<p><b>5</b> - Valerie Schubert</p> <p>Rev. Carlos Kelly - Iglesia Cristiana in York, Pa</p>	<p><b>6</b> - Carolyn Miller - Jamie Farr</p> <p><b>MAY 6</b> - Cabinet meeting - morning</p> <p>Marion Albright - retiree in Allentown, PA</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Nick &amp; Lisa Lakatos - candidates with OMS to Mexico</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Ann Pauloski - serving with Navigators in San Diego</p>	<p><b>9</b> - Aaron Toy (1991)</p> <p>Dave &amp; Celia Dick - severe support shortage</p>
<p><b>10</b> - Carolyn Saltenberger*</p> <p><b>PRAYER NEEDS</b> Dan &amp; Mary Lynne Wills - serving at JAARS in NC</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p><b>MAY 11</b> - Jim Shield's retirement dinner - evening</p> <p>Joe Toy - open air ministry at riverfest in Wichita, KS</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Don &amp; Kathryn Kunkel - Village Missions in ID</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>EC churches of Nepal - growing in number</p>	<p><b>14</b> - Dana Abernethy</p> <p>Ed &amp; Val Schubert - praise for adopted daughter Pati</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p><b>MAY 15-18</b> - Riverhill EC Church mission conference (Shippenville PA)</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Brad &amp; Maxine Waldman - ministry, loss of son</p> <p>Tomoyuki &amp; Jessica Abe graduate from Evangelical - congratulations!</p>
<p><b>17</b> - BJ Whitaker</p> <p><b>PRAYER NEEDS</b> EC churches of Mexico and Bible Institute</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Rev. Nathan Fry - Living Hope Lighthouse in Palmerton</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Gloria Smethers - relocating to RVA through July</p>	<p><b>20</b> - Sarah Wilson (1992)</p> <p>Marcia Hopler - working with IVCF in Philadelphia</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>Jamie &amp; Anita Farr - active young family, work</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>Eunice Wanjema - retiree in Kenya</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>BJ &amp; Rachel Whitaker - getting set up in Spain</p>
<p><b>24</b></p> <p><b>PRAYER NEEDS</b> Randy &amp; Chris Amberman - serving in NM</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p><b>MAY 25</b> - Memorial Day - office closed</p> <p>EC churches of Costa Rica - for growth</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>National Conference begins at Messiah College</p>	<p><b>27</b> - Jonita Wilson (1997)</p> <p>Launch Liberia - still need \$70,000 for project</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>Global Ministries luncheon held at Messiah</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>Dan &amp; Melinda Moury - candidates with WBT</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>EC churches in Japan - 35th anniversary for Kyodo church</p>



## IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

A few years ago there was a popular country song entitled "Jesus, Take the Wheel." It told of a young woman who had made some poor life choices. She was a single mom with her child, driving alone on an icy road when the car went out of control. In despair, she let go of the steering wheel and cried "Jesus take the wheel!" The sentiment was that when things are at their worst, turn them over to Jesus.

Unfortunately, that's the way many of us lead our lives. We like to be in control, in the driver's seat. It isn't until we feel that control slipping away, until we are in a crisis situation, that we panic and turn to the Lord. But once He gets us back on the road again, we want to take over. We have a death grip on that steering wheel, and we want to set our own direction.

Why don't we let God be in control of our lives all the time? We sing "Trust and Obey" but sometimes it's hard to put those words into action. As we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday this month, let's make a conscious effort to yield our wills to that of our Heavenly Father.

*"My Lord knows the way through the wilderness,  
All I have to do is follow*

*My Lord knows the way through the wilderness,  
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*Strength for today is mine always,  
And all that I need for tomorrow*

*My Lord knows the way through the wilderness,  
All I have to do is follow"*

Words and music by Sidney E. Cox

—Pat Strain.

### OUR MISSIONARY FAMILY

• Our sympathy and prayers are with **Brad and Maxine Waldman** who lost their oldest son Mark very suddenly on March 16th. Mark suffered severe cardiac arrest; although resuscitated, he never regained consciousness. He was kept on life support until his parents and brother could come to say goodbye. Mark leaves behind a fiancée as well. Please continue to keep the Waldman family in prayer during this difficult time.

• Our **2009 VBS project** is titled "**The Nations as our Neighbors**" and focuses on our ethnic church plants here in the USA. We will be raising monies to aid our Church Planting Commission. The 5-minute VBS materials will be available at WORD day, and the MMK lessons will be posted on the GMC website in May. The more churches we grow here, the stronger the EC support base will be for our missionaries and international churches!

• At long last! **Ed and Val Schubert** are the proud parents of a little Honduran girl. Her name is Cheyence Patricia Martinez Schubert (quite a mouthful for a 3 year old!) but she will be known as Pati. Big brothers Wes and AJ are thrilled with their new little sister. Please keep the Schuberts in prayer as they become a 'blended' family.

• **Misplaced Missionaries!** We managed to 'misplace' two of our missionaries on the center map in our last issue of *Window on the World*. If you can correctly identify who has been incorrectly labeled, email us at [ecglobal@eccenter.com](mailto:ecglobal@eccenter.com). The first ten people will receive a 'finder's fee' of a Global Ministries tote bag. (No missionaries, GMC members or their family members may apply.)

• The Launch Liberia DVD's shown at WORD day will be available free of charge at the GMC display table at National Conference. Don't forget to pick up your copy!

