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AROUND THE SOR: MINISTRY UPDATES

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CENTER FOR YOUTH MINISTRIES

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES

- Culture Immersion Weekend is April 23-25. Contact the Center for Global Ministries for more information.
- Robert Yarbrough will be guest speaking Wednesday, April 21, from 3-4:30 p.m. in the Towns-Alumni Center.
- The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be held April 12-15 in the back hallway of DeMoss.

The Center for Youth Ministries successfully completed Youth Emphasis Week. Held annually, the week featured several events as well as the presence of alumni guest speakers in youth ministry classes. Youth Emphasis Week included a Connect event with John Stonestreet and Youth Emphasis convocation where Alumnus of the Year, Rick Young of First Baptist Church in Woodstock, Georgia, was presented with his award and Josh McDowell addressed the student body about ministering to teenagers. On

Thursday, the first annual Youth Ministry Luncheon was facilitated in the Executive Dining room of the Reber Thomas Dining Hall. The event was designed to inform local youth leaders of the opportunities they have to get involved with the Center for Youth Ministries. Alumni and youth leaders from the area enjoyed a lunch with the CYM faculty who described internships and ministry opportunities, the new classes in Adventure Leadership and Outdoor Ministry, and briefly answered questions regarding

S c a r e m a r e . Activity has not ceased since the completion of Youth Emphasis Week. On Friday, April 9, the CYM took part in a record breaking College for a Weekend by participating in the Getting to Know You and Open House sessions, and interacting with students throughout the day in and out of classes. Now, the CYM will focus its attention on the upcoming Assessment Day, as well as other events in preparation for Commencement.



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CENTER FOR GLOBAL MINISTRIES

The Center for Global Ministries invites you to be a part of Culture Immersion Weekend with CrossWorld, April 23-25, 2010. This will be a great time to participate as a learner and gain a deeper understanding of an Asian culture. The event will be at

CrossWorld headquarters, just west of Philadelphia. The weekend will be a great time to begin to learn a culture, meet like-minded people and gain a better understanding of how to look into a culture while you are here in the states. The weekend costs

\$50 which includes housing, food and transportation during the weekend. Email bill.novak@crossworld.org to receive the registration form. Space is limited. The last day to receive registrations is Friday, April 16, 2010.

ROBERT YARBROUGH TO SPEAK

Robert Yarbrough will be guest speaking Wednesday, April 21, from 3-4:30 p.m. in the Towns-Alumni Center. Yarbrough will present, "Biblical Backgrounds and the Interpretation of 1-3 John," followed by a question and answer

session. Yarbrough is chair of the New Testament Department and associate professor of New Testament at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Illinois. He has been at Trinity since July 1996. He is the editor of

Trinity Journal. Dr. Yarbrough's areas of scholarly interest include New Testament theology and backgrounds, Greek exegesis and post-Enlightenment German New biblical criticism.



Sophomore Kimberly Jenkins speaks to a class.

Our Liberty University students have been making a tremendous difference in the community this semester. There have been numerous individuals who have impacted the community and brought great credit to themselves, the university and Christ. Their technical skills, professionalism, work ethic, compassion, reliability, selflessness and perseverance have made a mark on individuals and the Lynchburg community. For example, the YMCA praised Ryan Blackburn's service. "He has used his educational knowledge, love for the Lord and people and his caring compassionate personality to train children on how to become healthier and happier." Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Virginia recognized Lauren Joy and Daniel Clements' impact on the lives of their "Little Sister" and "Little Brother."

Concerning Daniel's influence, they stated, "As the Little's guitar playing skills progressed, so did his grades, self esteem and confidence." The Lynchburg City Schools raved about Kaitlin Royer and her assistance during this time of budget cuts. They stated, "I had high expectations before she came. I expected efficiency, professionalism, dependability and flexibility, and with Kaitlin, I found all of that." The Alzheimer's Association praised Dwayne North's "hard-working kind spirit." Central Health recognized Aaron Groves' compassion while volunteering over 109.5 hours of service since the summer of 2009, serving as a Patient Representative in the Emergency Room. The Wilkes Pregnancy Care Center stated (concerning Beth Royal), "She has a wonderful attitude and a willing spirit to do even the

most menial of tasks." The Franklin County Public Library appreciated Kimberly Jenkins' selfless attitude with her time and resources in support of their Summer Reading Program preparations. Brentwood Community Church praised Aly Sievers and her efforts to disciple a widowed grandmother and her son and daughter. They stated, "Aly has often visited the family during times when many negative external influences from their neighborhood were present in the home. Aly boldly faced this negative atmosphere and continued to love them and pour into their lives when many would have given up." These are but a few examples of the impression and impact that Liberty University students are having in the local Lynchburg community.

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