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The Center for Youth Ministries find ourselves in the midst of Youth Emphasis Week. We are excited to welcome fifteen or more of our CYM alumni back to campus to speak from their experiences in all of our classes. The exposure to current issues in youth ministry that our students will gain during the week is invaluable. Monday, our students had the opportunity to “Connect” with John Stonestreet. John is the Executive Director of Summit Ministries, working annually with thousands of parents, teachers, and students on developing a biblical worldview, understanding comparative worldviews, defending the Christian faith, applying a biblical worldview to education, and engaging important cultural issues. He graciously took an evening to meet with over forty students from many different majors and answer their questions. This week we also look forward to hosting our first annual Youth Ministry Luncheon, an event specifically designed to facilitate and strengthen the relationship between our office and youth leaders in the community. We plan to discuss internship and ministry opportunities for local churches, introduce our new Youth Ministry classes in Adventure Leadership and Outdoor Ministry, and answer questions about Scaremare. The Center for Youth Ministries is quite busy in the midst of these events. We will continue our calendar of events with College for a Weekend, Assessment Day, and Commencement.

FROM THE DESK OF THE DEAN

I now have 113 of my books translated and printed in a foreign language. It is my passion to reach, win and disciple more for Christ through my foreign titles than in the U.S. I have more titles printed in Korean (36 titles) than any other. Also, the book, *Fasting for Spiritual Breakthrough*, has been translated into 10 languages, the most of any one of my books. *Praying the 23rd Psalm* was recently published and released to the government bookstores in China. This book was held up for almost 10 years by the censors but was released one week after I lectured at Fu Dan University in Shanghai last October. This is the 113th book I've had printed in a foreign language. I donate all my foreign royalties to Gospel Light Worldwide, a non-profit foreign missions literature organization.
WOMENS MINISTRY UPDATE

The Center for Women’s Ministries was pleased to have Mrs. Chris Adams, Women’s Ministry Specialist for Lifeway Christian Resources, guest lecture in several women’s ministry classes on March 30 and 31. Adams spoke on a variety of topics including: public speaking for women, spiritual gifts, working with male staff in the local church, and mentorship. As the Center for Women’s Ministries continues to grow, more young women are realizing the importance of internships. Many women’s ministry students are obtaining internships for the summer and are very eager to gain more hands-on experience. Many women’s ministry students have already made plans to serve in the local church, mission field and camp ministries this summer. We are very excited to see how the Lord is moving in the Center for Women’s Ministries and look forward to hearing reports of successful internships from the summer.

SPRING BREAK WITH LIGHT MINISTRIES

Light Ministries led five mission trips this Spring Break to various locations around the globe. Around 90 students spent their week ministering in different ways:

- **Uganda**: Students ministered to orphans and former child soldiers as well as young students through bible lessons, sports and much encouragement and prayer.

- **Bosnia**: Liberty students visited this war-torn country and assisted the families they visited largely through relationship building and distributing food to the needy.

- **North Africa**: This trip consisted of hiking and trekking through the Atlas Mountains to several villages where the students experienced cultural immersion in a Muslim setting. Much of the ministry they did was centered around relationships and prayer walking.

- **West Asia**: This trip was mainly about relationship building in a coffee house setting in a country that has Soviet as well as Middle Eastern influences, creating a very unique country to do ministry in.

- **Ethiopia**: Students took part in children’s ministry while they were in a camp setting, building relationships with children and adults alike and connecting with the people they encountered through sports and drama.

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