

# *Out of Darkness into His Wonderful Light!*

*“... that you may declare the praises of him who called you  
out of darkness into his wonderful light.”*

*1 Peter 2:9 (NIV)*



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*Mission Conference 2010*



CHURCH OF THE  
**REDEEMER**  
PRESBYTERIAN (USA)

## *Out of Darkness into His Marvelous Light!*

The people of Redeemer serve the Lord by serving His children. Our conviction that the Gospel must be shared guides our beliefs and our actions. Actions speak.

In 2010, our world is still a mess. Children are still abused and hungry. Too many are too great a need of water, shelter, and sustenance. But, the Gospel of Christ is still THE answer. Our job is to spread that good news to all parts of the globe - bringing His children out of darkness and into His marvelous light!

Redeemer supports more than 30 missionaries or mission programs. We serve here in Atlanta and we serve overseas. Become a part of it. Missions will change your life as you change lives. Help others walk in the light that is Christ!

## *Friday Night - Nard Puyao, JAARS*



A native of the Philippines, Nard accepted Christ as a child through the work of a Wycliffe missionary. He decided early to give his life to the Lord and make serving Him his life's work.

Nard travels all over the U.S. recruiting on behalf of **Jungle Aviation and Radio Services (JAARS)**. Nard is both a fixed wing and helicopter pilot. He and Sandy also lead short-term trips to his native village area for various projects such as building an airstrip, a home for a translator, and a church.

## *Sunday Morning - Keith Haywood, OM*

"After an audit of our mission approach a godly ministry consultant advised me to "Get closer to the Church" and it became "a driving force in my ministry." Keith and Rita served 8 years on OM's ships LOGOS and DOULOS, living on board and ministering in more than 50 nations - teaching, preaching, and training on administration and leadership.



Keith then led OM USA's human resource division as VP Mission Personnel - recruiting, preparing, placing and caring for American missionaries serving with OM. Currently, his Church Mobilization Team helps church leaders inspire and involve members in mission, locally and globally.

## *Men's Breakfast - Woody Baker - Wycliffe*



Beverly and Woody Baker reflect Redeemer! The decision they made following the 2002 PCR Mission Conference to follow the call to enter full time mission work delighted our body. Woody quit his job; they sold their house, and headed off to serve Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Woody does public relations and training while Beverly serves in Wycliffe Australia's translation and literacy school, EQUIP Training. Among the highlights of their ministry has been the privilege of being on the delivery team for new bible translations into the heart languages of people of the Solomon Islands.

## *Men's Breakfast - Jason Henry - International Missions*



Jason graduated from Columbia International University (CIU) in 1993 and went to Mongolia in 1995. His wife Barb finished grad school at CIU in 1994 and went to Mongolia in 1997. They met in Mongolia and were married in 1998 and have lived in Tosontsengel, Mongolia for 15 years where they've raised their four children.

With their teammates they started a vegetable growing business in 1996 called Bountiful Countryside which has provided a platform to receive annual permission from the government to live in Mongolia. It also gives an opportunity to help the community with employment and a valuable service. They are involved in planting a church in the town of Tosontsengel and volunteer at the Bible Society of Mongolia - helping with computer and technical support to enable completion of the Mongolian Bible as quickly as possible.

## *Ladies' Luncheon - Laura Moore - Dream House*



As Founder & CEO of Dream House for Medically Fragile Children, Laura was featured in the January 8, 2007 issue of *People Magazine* as a "Hero Among Us" and has been named *ABC News World News Tonight* "Person of the Week." She and her husband have two biological children, have fostered six medically fragile children, and provided respite care for another six. One of these, Katie, is now a permanent part of their family and is only the 2nd child in history to survive two, back-to-back, five-organ transplants!

Laura realized the technology that allows doctors to save children who in the past would have died, is also required to sustain their lives. These children are often abandoned or removed from their families when appropriate care cannot be provided. Through their *Family for Keeps*® program and curriculum, Dream House increases opportunities for these children to live in a stable home environment through developing resources and programs which increase the number of families and communities prepared to care for them.

## *Our Missionaries and Projects*

**Woody & Beverly Baker** – entered fulltime mission work following our 2002 Mission Conference. They serve with *Wycliffe Bible Translators* in Australia.

**Paul & Maggie Frank** – served *Wycliffe* in Colombia, then in Dallas as the VP Academic Affairs, and now in Washington DC where Paul serves as the primary link to governments in countries where *SIL International* works.

**Rex & Jean Lieffers** – *Wycliffe Bible Translators*. Rex is the Associate Director of *Wycliffe Southeast* and Jean is working on sequels to her books about *Wycliffe's* 50+ years in Asia.

**Carl & Heidi Walton** – have served with *OMS* in Haiti, England, and the Philippines, and are now at *OMS* headquarters in Indiana in an essential role caring for and nurturing many missionaries scattered throughout the globe.

**The Haggai Institute** – **John Sharp** Haggai equips national Christian leaders to reach their people for Christ and train others to do the same in the Far East, Middle East, Africa, and Central and South America. These lay leaders and church professionals, have transformational experiences then return to evangelize in their home countries.

**Ian & Hilary Currey** – *Operation Mobilization*. Ian is a Video Producer documenting and creating messages for *OM's* operations around the world and Hilary is a full-time mom, taking care of their boys Corey and Cody.

**Jason & Barb Henry** – *International Missions* in Tosontsengel, Mongolia. They live among the people – farming and sharing the Gospel at every opportunity.

**Rivers of the World (ROW)** – **Ben Mathes** and *ROW* teams navigate the world's major rivers to access remote areas and then sends in follow-up health care, educational, and evangelism teams. People in Africa, South America, and Asia are served by *ROW's* unique blend of ministry, service projects, short-term mission trips, and love. A number of Redeemer members have gone on *ROW* trips to Belize, Peru, and Brazil.

**Ron & Mae Ellen Ehrenberg** – create awareness, prayer, and financial support for world missions through *Global Focus*. They help local churches establish effective mission programs to leverage every dollar given.

**Adopt-A-Grandparent** – Atlanta, **Linda Langstraat** has served 30+ years as Founder and Director. Her volunteers “adopt” senior citizens in the Grant Park area as a way of building relationships and spreading Christ's love.

***The Haiti Fund (PCUSA)***— established by Frances Landers and her late husband (from John Byerly's first church in AR) provides schools, educational materials, and loving assistance for Haitian children. Clearly, the need is critical in Haiti now.

***Jim & Jeanne Leamer – Wycliffe Bible Translators.*** Jim is on the technology staff and conducts workshops on Technology in Missions and Translation and recruits on college campuses throughout the U.S.

***Nard & Sandy Puyao – Jungle Aviation and Radio Services (JAARS)*** Nard recruits and trains pilots for jungle aviation. He and Sandy also lead short-term mission teams to his native area for various projects.

***Don & Sue Hankins*** – minister to U.S. military personnel and families locally and around the world, sharing Christ with many who have now deployed to Iraq 3-4 times, helping them grow as new Christians. Don also provides conference support for the ***Navigators Military Ministry.***

***Ray & Julie Spencer – Luis Palau Ministries (LPM)***— holds mass evangelism festivals in capital cities and major population centers worldwide. Working with local churches to follow up on each person who indicates a commitment to Christ, trained counselors provide guidance and work to bring these inquirers to local churches.

***Ana and Victor Opungu – Summer Institute of Linguistics (SIL).*** Ana and Victor are in Papua New Guinea, where they work translating the Bible into the Mekeo language group and teaching literacy. They have just had a new baby, Zeiti.

***Stephen & Christina Byerly – UGA Wesley Foundation***— Christ Centered, Biblically Based, and Empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Wesley Foundation is committed to raising up a new generation of Christian leaders.

***The Duval Home (PCUSA)***— ministers to Special-Needs individuals and their families through medical, social, and spiritual care. The facility grew from one family's love into a home-away-from-home for over 200. Redeemer's Maggie Sheppard has been living at The Duval Home since 2004.

***Gospel of Glory***— ***Dr. Alemu*** and ***Genet Beeftu*** train pastors, businessmen, and politicians in developing countries. They serve Christian leaders in more than a dozen developing nations with packaged and live training programs.

***Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)***— ***Bill Dando*** works to link athletes at all levels, high school, college, and professional, in an effort to spread the Gospel through the coaches and players in every public and private school in Gwinnett County.

***SE Gwinnett Co-op***— One of the most vital local ministries we could possibly support. The Co-op provides emergency food to needy families. Look for announcements that the shelves need groceries or volunteer to pack groceries for needy families.

***ROW Congo-Kasai Chapter*** — ***Jimmy Shafe***, launched a chapter of ROW specifically to work on projects in the Congo Presbyterian Church provinces in central Democratic Republic of the Congo. The idea is to make their problems our problems.

***Redeemer Preschool Scholarships***— provide a vehicle for PCR to directly assist families in our community enabling children to participate in our preschool, creating opportunities for children to lead their families to Christ.

***Université Protestante au Congo (UPC)***— Redeemer provides a full scholarship at this Christian University in Kinshasa, Congo. Educated, Christian leaders are the essential key to stabilization and recovery in Africa. In 2006, UPC launched a Medical School we support. ***Jimmy Shafe*** serves on the board of the UPC North American Liaison Bureau.

**Youth With A Mission (YWAM)** – Amanda Rairdon Amanda has ministered to the people of the Dominican Republic for 7 years. She has become the “official” Redeemer translator during annual PCR mission trips to the DR. **Joel & Valdinete Zamorano** – have served 13 years with **YWAM** in the Dominican Republic offering discipleship and training for youth interested in missions.

**The Outreach Foundation** – For over 27 years, The Outreach Foundation has been helping Presbyterians discover missions is not a *program* but the *purpose* of the church; that evangelism is not a *part of mission* but the *heart* of mission; and that it is not the *church’s mission* but *God’s mission* into which we are invited.

**Kasr El Dobarah Evangelical Church** – largest Protestant church in Egypt and the Arabic-speaking world - more than 7000 worship and serve the city and region through ministries and activities. **Dr. Sameh Maurice Tawfik** is the Senior Pastor.

**Centerville Business & Community Association** – This community association has helped to galvanize our local community and strengthens the neighborhoods and stability of our entire area.

**Mission Scholarships – J.D. Cooper, Segue Ministries** – Redeemer member and the son of Clark and Lyn Cooper, J.D. has been highly involved in various aspects of youth work at PCR now works with Segue through Richard Pruitt, our former Youth Pastor. **Rachael Robertson – UGA Wesley Foundation** –serves as an intern through this important program targeted to students at the University of GA.

**Family Promise of Gwinnett** – The Mission of Family Promise of Gwinnett is to mobilize communities of congregations that partner with social service agencies to end homelessness - one family at a time. We participate with a number of other churches. **Clark Cooper** and **Diane Nesbit** lead this effort for Redeemer.

**Gwinnett Crisis Pregnancy (GCP)** – is a non-profit, interdenominational, Christian ministry created to meet the emotional, spiritual, and physical needs of individuals facing unplanned pregnancies. Services recognize and affirm the sanctity of life.

**Rick Froehbrodt – Education Project International (EPI)** supports and promotes education in developing and oppressed regions of the world. **Tom Strnad** and **Monica Rifenburg** are on the board of EPI.

**LoveMinistriesATL.org** – is an exciting ministry feeding and ministering to the homeless in downtown Atlanta. Each Friday and Monday, volunteers prepare meals and set up in the open air parking lot at Peachtree and Trinity to serve and love on homeless people. **Claudia & Patrick Coulbourne** are two of the key leaders of this ministry.

**Living Waters** – Globally, three million people, mostly children, die each year from water-related illnesses. **Living Waters** tackles water purity one village at a time. Redeemer has installed six water purification systems in the Dominican Republic. The budget this year includes maintenance on these systems and as yet undesignated project in El Callejon, Dominican Republic.

**Dream House for Medically Fragile Children** – Dream House is located in Lilburn but has served more than 1,000 children in 46 GA counties and 10 states. It is the first and only Children's Transition Care Center licensee in the nation.

**Taste of Centerville** – This event is held each year at Redeemer as an outreach and ministry blessing and showing Christ’s love to the entire Snellville/Centerville community. It provides an opportunity for our neighbors to enjoy fellowship, food, and fun in a Christian setting.

## Giving in Faith

The story never gets old. Five grand... our total mission budget in 1994. Budgets are limited. Faith isn't. Our mission support is stepping out in faith. The *Faith Promise* process builds faith. There is no limit to God's ability to bless us and no limit to how He wants us to bless others.

Separate from pledges made during our fall 2009 *Celebration of Gifts* campaign, there are three ways to give to Redeemer's mission efforts:

**Missions Pledge** – regular giving to support Redeemer's missionaries and various mission programs.

**Faith-Promise Giving** – a commitment made *stepping out in faith*, beyond your means but not beyond God's. **Pray for what He wants to give through you** and watch for His blessings!

**Designated Gifts** – a one-time gift or regular giving for a specific program.

## Commitments 2010 \* Denotes Current or Former Redeemer members

Woody & Beverly Baker *	5,000	PCR Pre-School Scholarships	3,000
Paul & Maggie Frank	2,000	Université Protestante Congo *	2,500
Rex & Jean Lieffers	3,000	Mission Conf Honorariums	5,500
Carl & Heidi Walton	3,000	Youth with a Mission	5,000
Haggai Institute (Sharp) *	4,000	The Outreach Foundation	1,000
Ian & Hilary Currey	3,000	Dr. Sameh Maurice	1,000
Jason & Barb Henry	4,000	Centerville Business and Community Association	700
Rivers of the World *	3,000	Mission Scholarships	5,000
Ron & Mae Ellen Ehrenberg *	3,000	PCR Mission Trip	7,000
Linda Langstraat - AAG	3,000	Adopt-A-Grandparent Picnic	500
Haiti Fund - PCUSA	1,500	Family Promise	1,000
Jim & Jeanne Leamer *	4,000	Gwinnett Crisis Pregnancy	300
Nard & Sandy Puyao	2,500	Rick Froehbrodt	1,000
Don & Sue Hankins *	2,000	LoveMinistriesATL.org	1,000
Ray & Julie Spencer *	2,000	Water Systems Maintenance	1,500
Ana Fangonon Opungu	2,000	El Callejon, D.R. Project	3,000
Stephen & Christina Byerly *	2,500	Dream House	1,000
The Duval Home, PCUSA *	2,000	As led by the Lord	7,000
Gospel of Glory	1,000	Taste of Centerville	5,000
Fellowship Christian Athletes	1,000		
SE Gwinnett Co-op	2,500	<b>2010 Goal</b>	<b>\$110,000</b>
ROW, Congo-Kasai *	2,000		

## Weekend Schedule of Events

(Nursery available as noted below \*)

- Fri, Feb 19, 7-9 PM \* Conference Welcome and Dinner  
**Nard Puyao**, Speaker  
Jr. High & Sr. High youth will serve the meal and join in the Conference (Tips - Youth Mission Trips)
- Sat, Feb 20, 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast – **Woody Baker**, Speaker  
**Jason Henry**, Speaker  
12:00 PM \* Ladies' Luncheon – **Laura Moore**, Speaker  
6:30 PM Home Parties with Missionaries
- Sun, Feb 21, 9:00 AM \* Sunday School – Missionaries in all classes  
10:00 AM \* Worship Service – **Keith Haywood**  
5:30 PM \* International Potluck Dinner  
**Keith Haywood**, Speaker  
Announcement – Faith Promise Total - 2010

## Children's Program – Shine the Light

Mission-focused and fun. Friday night. Sunday night. Your kids. Their friends. Get 'em there! (Kids K-5)

They'll learn about darkness and some of the many challenges that children around the world have to face – including very little electricity. A special offering will be taken to purchase several hand-crank LED flashlights for children to study. They'll grasp that they can help kids – all around them – learn to walk in the light of Jesus! They'll learn what missionaries do from farming, to teaching, to healthcare, to translating the Bible. They'll learn about serving homeless people in downtown Atlanta.

One of them may grow up to change the world and help turn someone's darkness into light. Get 'em there!



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