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### Missions Week at Bishop Cummins Memorial

by Rev. Dr. David A. Crum

It's summer and that means it's time for missions trips (and maybe vacations, if you can find the time). July 9 - 15, over 70 members of Bishop Cummins Memorial Church found the time, made the time, to participate in a missions trip to Bishop Cummins Memorial Church. There were not 70 people here at any one time. That is just the round figure of how many people took part throughout the week. The average per day was something like 35. But every day there was a crowd of happy, hard-working people. Many were retirees, who were here every day. But there were also pre-teen youngsters and teens who were here every day. The atmosphere was simply electric.

The missions week was launched during our worship service on Sunday when Jeff and Lisa Highfield gave us an update of their work with Campus Crusade. Sunday evening we viewed the movie, *End of the Spear*.

Each day - Monday through Saturday - began with devotions at 8:15. Work began at 8:30. There was one scheduled break in the morning and one in the afternoon. At 12:30 we ate lunch together, prepared by members of the mission team. At 5:30 we ate supper together. Supper was followed - Monday through Friday - with a missions presentation. Our speaker on Monday evening was John Warnken, who was accompanied by his wife, Barbara. John amazed us with stories of their work with New Tribes Missions in Senegal. Bryan and Beth Wintersteen, who are serving with Church Resource Ministries (CRM), gave us a tremendous update of their work in Australia on Tuesday. Jeanie Blevins, who is preparing to go on the field under Africa Inland Mission, shared her story with us of her call to missions on Wednesday. Jeanie is 26 years old. She has been on a short-term relief trip to Kenya. In October she will begin her long-term (lifetime?) assignment as she goes to the island of Mayotte, off the coast of Mozambique.

Thursday evening Dwayne ("Nic") Nicodemus, our new Youth Director, reviewed for us his years as founder and director of the Christian Athletic Association (CAA) here in Catonsville. He then previewed his work as Youth Director, telling us of his passion and vision. Our Rector, David Crum, spoke on Friday evening of his 24 year journey that began with his graduation from Reformed Episcopal Seminary, service as a Navy Chaplain, various pastoral positions in the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), his work ministering to men and women who struggle with homosexuality, and finally his coming to Bishop Cummins. He presented (1) what he understands to be his call to Bishop Cummins - what he has been called to do; (2) what this call requires of him; and (3) what his call requires of the people of this parish.

Saturday was one last day of work, including preparation of the facilities for Sunday. Altogether 62 out of 72 scheduled tasks were completed, plus an additional 28 unscheduled tasks. The Saturday work was followed by an evening cook-out. Then on Sunday we had one more addendum to our week of missions emphasis: an unplanned visit from Carrie Simpson, who was able to bring a report to the congregation of the work she and her husband, Luke, are doing with Campus Crusade.

The week and work have ended, but the enthusiasm and energy remain. What bonds have been strengthened! What relationships have been established! And, as a bonus, the church facility, parking lot, playground, and landscape all look fresh and well-cared for.

Traditional Liturgical Evangelical Scriptural



Covenant Classical Academy, a ministry of Covenant Chapel REC, Basking Ridge, NJ, needs to fill a variety of teaching positions at senior and junior levels to begin its K-3 program in the fall of 2007.

We at CCA are committed to preparing covenant children for a life of service, witness and leadership in a world that is increasingly hostile to Christ and His people. We aren't looking to merely enable our children to survive but to lead the way in service for Christ, wherever and however God places them to serve Him. We are dedicated to providing an education that will make them fit to succeed in this calling. We are looking for teachers who share our vision and commitment.

We need to fill a senior position with a highly motivated, experienced self-starter who will lead our startup efforts, working closely with the Board to define, plan and complete the work needed to translate our vision into a solid first-year operation. Responsibilities will include implementing curricula, recruiting and developing staff, setting academic standards, formulating daily schedules and teaching in the grammar school. Once successful operation is achieved, this person will have the opportunity to become a member of the executive staff.

The successful candidate must have solid experience in classical education – preferably 7-10 years as an educator demonstrating facility with classical curricula and learning techniques; 2-3 years administration experience, demonstrating competence in leadership, motivation, organization, communication and coordination. Experience in implementing a successful startup is highly desirable.

We also need teachers having varied experience in classical education. In addition to teaching in the grammar school, respon-

sibilities will include working with the executive staff to implement curricula, set academic standards, formulate daily schedules and prepare the next steps in CCA's growth and development.

Candidates must be thoroughly committed to Christian education using the classical approach. Successful candidates will have 2-7 years of solid experience as an educator and be committed to the use of classical education. Experience teaching in a successful startup is highly desirable.

If you believe you possess the character and professional competencies that make you an excellent candidate for one of these positions, please send (mail or email) your resume and salary requirements to:

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#### Liturgical Colors

September 3	Trinity XII	Green
September 10	Trinity XIII	Green
September 17	Trinity XIV	Green
September 24	Trinity XV	Green
October 1	Trinity XVI	Green

## Calendar of Events:

Date	Time	Location/Explanation
Saturday, September 2	8:30 - 10:00 am	Philadelphia Area Ministerium at RE Seminary, Blue Bell, PA
Monday, September 11	10:00 am	RE Seminary Convocation
Sunday, October 1	4:00 pm	Evensong - Valley Forge Men and Boys' Choir at St. Mark's REC, Rydal, PA
Friday, October 6, through Sunday, October 8	N/A	Women's Annual Spiritual Enrichment Conference <i>Celebrating the 50th year</i> Holiday Inn/Patriot, Williamsburg, VA
Saturday, October 7	8:30 - 10:00 am	Philadelphia Area Ministerium at RE Seminary, Blue Bell, PA
Thursday, November 2, through Friday, November 3		Diocesan of NE & MA Council Holy Communion @ St. Mark's Reformed Episcopal Church Meetings @ Holiday Inn Select, Phila-Bucks County 4700 Street Road, Treose, PA 19053
Tuesday, December 5, 2006	11:00 am	Founders' Day Christmas Tea Holy Communion @ RE Seminary, Blue Bell, PA Speaker: The Rev. Charles F. Camlin

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