

congregation went on in determining that they would demonstrate God's love to their community through practical acts of service. Dr. Art Brown and Eric Spangler were also at Pastors Day to talk about changes in Free Methodist missions giving. Dr. Les. Parrott, SPU professor, gave a presentation on marriage mentoring.

Coming Events

2007 Impact Briefing's Bishop Roger Haskins and Superintendent Matt Whitehead are looking forward to the 2007 Impact Briefings. These are opportunities for local church boards/leadership teams and pastors to meet with Bishop Haskins and Superintendent Whitehead.

The Impact Briefing dates for this year are as follows:

Sunday April 22nd 6pm- Wenatchee Free Methodist Church

Monday April 23rd 7pm- Cornerstone Christian Fellowship in Omak

Tuesday April 24th 7pm- Light and Life Christian Fellowship in Olympia

Wednesday April 25th 7pm- Warm Beach Camp (Maple Center)

Thursday April 26th 7pm- First Free Methodist Church in Seattle

Saturday, May 19- Alaska churches at Eagle River

2007 Leadership Summit: We are looking forward to our 2007 Leadership Summit/Annual Conference June 15-16, 2007, held at Warm Beach Camp. Registration information will be emailed to all

ministerial members and local church delegates for whom we have email addresses and mailed to the same group with the UPDATE. Additionally, the registration information is posted at pnwc.org or you may phone Warm Beach Camp at 800-228-6724.

Ministry in the Wesleyan Spirit Conference There was a very positive response to the Ministry in the Wesleyan Spirit conference that was held last year in conjunction with Leadership Summit. We are pleased to announce that this opportunity will be available for you again this year on Thursday, June 14. The topic this year is "Ministry in the Wesleyan Spirit—Scripture in a Wesleyan Congregation." Registration information for this event is included in the Leadership Summit registration form or you may phone Warm Beach Camp. See workshop topics at www.spu.edu/depts/sot/newsevents.asp.

Calendar

May 8- Retired Minister & Missionary luncheon (WBSC)

May 21- "By Faith" Campaign Dessert Fund Raiser (Seattle Pacific University)

June 14- Ministry in the Wesleyan Spirit (WBC)

June 15-16 PNWC Leadership Summit

June 25-29- Ntnl Bible Quiz Finals (Roberts Wesleyan College; New York)

July 7-14 General Conference (Spring Arbor, MI)

July 30-Aug 4 International Youth Conference (Ft. Collins, CO)

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"Partnering to Impact Eternity" Update

Rainier Avenue Church "By Faith" Campaign Fund Raising Dessert Monday, May 21, at 7:00 PM, Seattle Pacific University, The Coalition for Community Development and Renewal (CCDR) and the Pacific Northwest Conference are sponsoring a fund-raising dessert in Upper Gwinn Commons on the campus of Seattle Pacific University. This will be an opportunity to hear the progress in the "By Faith" Campaign and to see the ways that God is working in this vision of accomplishing together what we could never do alone. For more specific information please contact Supt. Matt Whitehead at the Conference Office (206-281-5003) or Debra Davis-Bell, Campaign Administrator, at Rainier Avenue Church (206-722-5616).

Second Annual Church Planters' Retreat Around 30 people including our PNWC church planters and core people gathered at the Inn at Port Gardner in Everett on March 9 and 10. Asst. Supt. Jim Harbour and Supt. Matt Whitehead met with this key group for a time of celebration, networking and encouragement. We are so thankful for the vision, energy, and dedication of these brothers and sisters.

The Lakes (submitted by Pastor Doug Murren) Our music team has had open doors to present worship sets and outreach in a club on the Eastside. Our music team is excited about this outreach opportunity. There has been some great progress in introducing new and original worship songs. The church has also seen one more conversion and several recommitments the last two months.

Renton, Nueva Vida Pastor Maria Castilla and her congregation of approximately 150 people are in the process of affiliating with the Free Methodist Church. They are meeting in the Renton, Living Hope facility. Pastor Doug Mullins and the Living Hope congregation have welcomed the Hispanic congregation with wonderful hospitality. Pastor Maria is a dynamic woman of God and we look forward to seeing how God will use this new relationship for kingdom growth.

Sumner, The Waters (submitted by Pastor Paul Delashaw) God is stirring The Waters! One of the prayers we have repeatedly offered to the Lord, since we began developing our core group nine months ago, is that God would bring us lost and broken people. Like the story of the man in John 5, who looked for healing in the stirring of the waters, so now God is writing our

story. Again and again we are seeing people, even new people, fresh in the faith, experience emotional and psychological healings, and making deeper commitments to Jesus Christ and to His Church. Attendance is strong—fifty people on Palm Sunday, but The Waters is growing in more ways than numbers.

Tukwila, House of Oaks Ministries Center (submitted by Pastor Deryl Davis-Bell) In March we hosted "A Concert of Praise." There were at least 200 people in the audience. We had been diligently searching for a facility to meet weekly in April, as was our plan. However, we were told that it's nearly impossible to use one of the Tukwila schools to meet, and the Community Center already housed two churches. The week following our outreach event, I received a call from a gentleman from Tukwila Elementary School, "I heard you were looking for a place to have services..." Shortly after that I met with him and signed the paperwork. We will be having our first weekly service on April 29th at 11AM - Tukwila Elementary School, 5939 South 149th Street, Tukwila, WA 98168.

White Center, Word of Hope. After a prayerful time of deliberation, the decision was made to close the White Center, Word of Hope church plant. Those attending Word of Hope have been encouraged to attend First FMC, Rainier Avenue Church, Burien FMC or The House of Oaks Ministry Center (our Tukwila church plant). We rejoice in the lives that have been impacted and transformed as a result of this church planting

project. And want to thank Pastor Sara Schoenhals-Martinez for her devoted service.

Silverdale Building Dedication We rejoice with the Light and Life congregation in Silverdale on the completion of their building project. The dedication service was held on Sunday March 25. Pastor Dan Butcher and the Silverdale congregation deserve a special note of appreciation for their diligence in completing this building through many challenges. We give God praise for his faithfulness and the perseverance of Pastor Butcher and the Silverdale congregation.

Seattle First Free Methodist Church This year the children's department was redesigned upon the arrival of Children's Pastor Jan Pendergrass. KidTown features a large puppet stage of Seattle places including the Space Needle and a ferry boat crashing into dock pilings! Kids enjoy a three-part program including "craftivities," praise and a puppet show and age-specific Bible classes with Cook's Wesley curriculum. The KidTown theme song is sung each week: "I want to go to KidTown. I want to hear the great, good news!"



KidTown at Seattle First FMC



Good News Club at Anchorage FMC

Every Thursday after school, a multigenerational team from **Anchorage FMC** conducts a Good News Club (GNC) at their local elementary school. On average, 26 students attend GNC, where they eagerly memorize Bible verses, sing Christian songs, discover God's truth in Scripture, and hear stories about missionaries. So far this year, 24 kids have made first-time commitments or recommitted their lives to Christ. Few of these kids attend church; many are the only Christians in their households. Continuing efforts are being made to connect with these families and enfold them into Anchorage FMC.

Ministerial Appointments Committee

Lakeside CF. The MAC has announced that **Rev. Eric Spangler** has been appointed as the new senior pastor at Lakeside Community Fellowship in Lake Stevens. Pastor Eric has served as Director of Mobilization for Free Methodist World Missions for the last five years. Eric, Virginia and their family anticipate arriving at Lakeside early in May.

We pray God's blessing on **Pastor Bob and Lorelei Legg** as they transition from Lakeside. The Leggs planted Lakeside Community Fellowship 17 years ago and God has been faithful in raising up a wonderful church. Bob and Lorelei will remain in the area and Bob's immediate plans are that he will begin work in the field of mortgage lending and banking.

Longview David Lindner, senior pastor at Longview, has accepted the appointment to become the senior pastor at Eugene, Oregon FMC. The Lindners will be missed by Longview and by PNWC but God has clearly called them to the Eugene church. David will conclude his ministry at the Longview church on April 15. We pray God's blessing on David and Dawn and their family as they transition to Oregon.



New Youth Center; Warm Beach Church

PNWC Pastors Day

The Pacific Northwest Conference pastoral team and some lay leaders gathered at Timberlake on February 28 to hear Pastor Steve Sjogren, author of the best selling book "The Conspiracy of Kindness", share about the journey his