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## Flynn Addresses Association Ministers

By Kay Tira

Dr. Jeannette Flynn, of Healthy Growing Churches and Florida Church of God Ministries, addressed the Oregon and SW Washington COG pastors at a May 7 meeting at Hoodview Church of God in Woodburn, OR.

Focusing on the Leader's Head, Hands and Heart, Flynn challenged attendees to accurately assess themselves and their congregations, and to stretch and grow to fulfill the calling to glorify God. She encouraged the use of the DiSC assessment tool (Dominance, Influencer, Stable, Compliant), The Emotional Quotient (EQ) understanding and management tool, and SMART Goals (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and Timely).

A Ministerial Association session with the Credentials and Advisory Board, chaired by Linda Tucker-Bays and Monica Monroe, respectively,

precluded the presentation by Jeannette Flynn. Two ministerial candidates were presented and approved for upcoming ordination during the July Summer Celebration: Jessica Taylor, of Rockwood, and David Thompson, of Redmond (see photos on page 10).

Both candidates presented their testimonies and have completed the CAB review process over a period of time.

Lunch break provided opportunity for





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# Summer Celebration: Great is Thy Faithfulness

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Summer Celebration 2016

July 24-27, 2016 at Warner Pacific College

Speakers

Patrick Nachtigall, Matt Ingalls,

Aaron McMurray & Denise Douglas

Worship Leader

**Brent Hofer** 

**Missions conferences with Patrick Nachtigall** 

Adult conferences and dinner

Children's evening program

Family Fun Day Tuesday afternoon Christian Women Connection High Tea

Youth program

Annual Association Meeting,

Wednesday from 1:30-3:30 pm

For registration information, visit www.orwacog.org

or check with your church office

It's time to register for Summer Celebration 2016.

Warner Pacific College campus is the site once again for the annual gathering of the Church of God in Oregon and SW Washington, July 24-27.

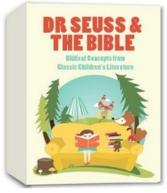
While "campmeeting" has changed over the years, evolving into Summer Celebration, our God is faithful and unchanging, and He is still the focus of our celebration.

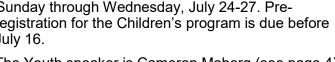
The event includes general sessions, conferences, a women's High Tea, children's "Dr. Seuss & the Bible", youth program, and more. Tuesday afternoon is set aside for "Family Fun Day". The Nachtigalls will join us for Missions conferences. The Annual Association Meeting will be held in McGuire Auditorium from 1:30-3:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 27. Congregations will be represented by their Lay Delegates for business decisions

#### See pages 3 and 4 of this issue for speaker bios and schedules.

Kids will enjoy evening sessions

with Dr. Seuss & the Bible Sunday through Wednesday, July 24-27. Preregistration for the Children's program is due before July 16.





The Youth speaker is Cameron Moberg (see page 4).

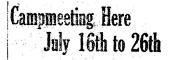
Senior Adults will enjoy an old fashioned theme during July's Summer Celebration, to include songs from the early years of the Church of God. Participants are to dress in old-fashioned clothes (suspenders, top hat, bonnets for the women, etc.). Senior sessions will focus on Wise Investments-not about stocks and bonds-but investments in lives. Contact Ruth Bissett for more senior information.





General information, registration and details are available online at orwacog.org.

Woodburn Indep. 1925



The thirtieth annual state camp meeting of the Church of God will be held on the camp ground at the north edge of town from July 16 to 26. This meeting brings to Woodburn a host of people from all parts of the state and many from adjoining states. Attendance this year bids fair to far surpass that of last year, when the registered campers on the ground totaled over 500. Inquiries are coming in that indicate keen interest even in Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho. Campers are already coming in, one car having come from Northern Idaho and another from Southeastern Oregon.

The ground is being put in shape for the meeting by a force of men under the direction of John T. Myers, who has charge of the ground again. this year. The dining hall is being rearranged to provide for cafeteria service. The store, which handles a full line of groceries, bread, milk, meat and ice cream, will be run on the ground as usual. The profit from this store goes into the expense fund of the meeting. A full line of gospel literature published by the Gospel Trumpet Co. and a choice assortment of Bibles and Testaments will be on display at the Bookstore.

A large group **@** ministers and workers will be present throughout the meeting, insuring a wealth of able messages. The congregational singing is always a feature of these services

Early next week cars with camp meeting windshield stickers and heavily laden with camp equipment will be heading for Woodburn and the camp meeting. .Soon a tent city will rise in a day and the glorious gospel songs. will echo through the beautiful firs and the praises of God's children will be heard as the gospel unto salvation is preached. The people of this com-munity should avail themselves of this opportunity of meeting and worshiping with these children of the Kingdom, who make their annual pilgrimage to our fair city, to meet here in service to the King. You should make it a point to see the orderly, sanitary camp. But above all the privilege of hearing able ministers of the Word preach the gospel in three regular services each day should be an opportunity embraced by all. For the young people there will be one regular daily service at 6:30 p. m., and Monday. July 20, will be a special roung people's day. All of the young people of the community are invited to attend these services.

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# Summer Celebration Speaker Line Up



Warner Pacific College will host the Summer Celebration July 24-27, 2016, with the youth event stretching one day beyond the general celebration, concluding the 28th. This year's leaders include the following:

**Brent Hofer, Worship Leader**, is a graduate of Warner Pacific College with a degree in Church Music and a master's degree in Biblical Studies. He is the former worship pastor at Mt Scott Church of God and Kern Park Christian Church. He and his wife Sherry and daughters Eleanna and Nicole live in Oregon City, and currently worship with Oregon City Christian Church.

**Brent Hofer** 



Matt Ingalls



Aaron McMurray



**Denise Douglas** 

Summer Celebration's Monday evening speaker, **Matt Ingalls**, pastors River Street Church of God in Newberg, OR - a simple community dedicated to living the way of Jesus so that they and their neighborhood may thrive. He is an alum of both George Fox Evangelical Seminary and Anderson University. He's married to the splendid Abigail and fathers the wily Elliot and the smiley Micah. He can often be found running, eating, drinking coffee, toddler-wrangling, listening, thinking and/or reading.

Aaron McMurray, PhD, Vice President for Institutional Advancement Warner Pacific College, will speak Tuesday evening at Summer Celebration (Warner Day). Aaron has a passion for Christ-centered leadership. You might say he's a leadership fanatic, researching and thinking deeply about ethical, servant and visionary leadership in organizations. But Aaron also cares deeply about seeing positive transformation in the lives of young people. Where these two loves come together is Warner Pacific College, with its Christ-centered mission to serve and educate diverse young people who have been left on the sidelines of traditional higher education. After 12 years with Young Life and five years working at Whitworth University in Spokane, WA, Aaron and his family moved to Portland, OR to lead the advancement efforts at Warner Pacific, where he oversees fundraising. athletics, alumni and external relations and planned giving. Aaron completed a Master's in Organizational Leadership and a PhD in Leadership Studies, both at Gonzaga University. He speaks and consults in areas related to servant leadership, organizational change and reform, and leadership ethics, and is an adjunct professor at Gonzaga University in Organizational Leadership. Aaron and his wife Darcy, have four children and live in Portland, OR.

**Denise Douglas** will speak at the Wednesday evening service during Summer Celebration. Denise has served three Oregon Church of God congregations, over the past 31 years. She has served as youth pastor, associate pastor, interim pastor, and is currently serving as Co-Senior pastor, at Mt. Scott Church of God in Portland. Denise lives in Clackamas, Oregon with her husband, Fred Douglas. They have two boys, Erick and Brian, both students at Linfield College and an adorable dog named Max. Denise enjoys good coffee, good books, good conversation, and the chaos of home life when it is filled with family and friends. A verse that is currently astounding and encouraging to her: Ephesians 1: 5 "God decided in advance to adopt us into His own family by bringing us to Himself

through Jesus Christ. This is what He wanted to do, and it gave Him great pleasure."



Jamie, Patrick and Marco Nachitgall

**Patrick and Jamie Nachtigall** are Regional Coordinators for Europe/Middle East and lead the Three Worlds Team. Patrick received his B.A. from Anderson University and his M.A. from Yale University in the field of religion. Born in Costa Rica, he has lived in Latin America, Asia, and North America and traveled to 75 countries around the world and lived in six. He has written on issues relating to religion and globalization for a number of periodicals and journals. The author of five books, Patrick likes to explore the global shifts occurring in religion. Jamie Nachtigall was born in Washington but

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## Summer Celebration Speaker Line Up

grew up in Cairo, Egypt. She graduated from Anderson University with a degree in English and served as the Membership Coordinator for both the Yale University Art Museum and the Yale Center for British Art. Jamie, along with Patrick, lived and worked in Hong Kong for nearly ten years. Their 13-year-old son, Marco, has grown up in Hong Kong and Germany.

DAYTIME SESSIONS: Monday Session 1: The Crisis in the Middle East

Monday Session 2: Europe and the Post-Christendom Challenge

Tuesday Session 1: American Christianity from a Global Perspective 1

Tuesday Session 2: American Christianity from a Global Perspective 2

Wednesday Session 1: Update on 3W Missionaries & Countries Wednesday Session 2: Launch of Spain Church-Plant

The Nachtigalls will also speak at the Sunday evening service.





#### Sunday: July 24 2:30pm Youth Registration (Cafeteria) Dinner On Your Own Main Service (McGuire) 7:00-9:00DM Monday: July 25 8:30am Breakfast (Kardatzke) 10:00am Youth Session (McGuire) 12:00pm Lunch (Kardatzke) 12:45PM Leave for Seaside Beach Trip Dinner, Worship & Missionaries Speaking 5:00pm Head back to WPC 7-8:00pm Tuesday: July 26 Breakfast (Kardatzke) 8:30am 9:30am Youth Session (McGuire) 12:00pm Warner Pacific College Lunch (McGuire) 2:00pm Mission Experience WPC Dinner & Promo (Kardatzke) 5:30pm 7:30pm Evening Service (McGuire) Night Activity (TBD) 10:00pm Wed: July 27 Breakfast (Kardatzke) 8:30am Youth Session 10:00am (McGuire) 12:00DM Lunch (Kardatzke) 1:30pm Oaks Amusement Park (Kardatzke) 5:30pm Dinner 7:30pm Evening Service (McGuire) Thursday: July 28 8:30am Breakfast (Kardatzke) 10:00am Youth Session (McGuire) 12:00pm Check Out Time (Kardatzke)

**Youth Speaker Cameron Moberg** loves to sing, rap, write and recite spoken word, breakdance, and is an accomplished self-taught artist. Formerly in full-time youth ministry at Outpost and Cornerstone Churches in San Francisco, CA, Cameron's desire is to bring hope to a broken world. Check him out at www.camer1.com.

Be sure to get registrations in by July 7, to receive a free T-Shirt. Note: The Youth Sessions extend one day longer than the general Summer Celebration event, concluding on Thursday rather than Wednesday.

# up Warner Pacific College News

### Oregon State Representative Honored

During Warner Pacific College's spring graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 14, 2016, the college bestowed on Victor "Vic" S. Gilliam '75, the honorary doctor of laws. As an alumnus of Warner Pacific, Vic Gilliam embodies the mission of the college through his strong gift of leadership and his deep commitment to civic engagement and service.



Rep. Gilliam honored by Warner Pacific leadership

Soon after graduating from Warner Pacific, Gilliam began working as a legislative aide for United States Senator Mark O. Hatfield, a position he held until 1981.

Proudly serving Oregon's 18th District (Silverton, Oregon) since January 2007, Representative Gilliam has worked to improve the lives of older Oregonians. He introduced legislation each session in efforts to identify gaps in services provided to elders and to reduce abuse and neglect. Human services and higher education have also been a priority during his time with the Oregon Legislature. His commitment to these efforts is mirrored in his direct service to the community in the Silverton area as an associate member of the Oregon Farm Bureau, board member for Corban University (Salem), and member of the strategic planning advisory committee to Salem School Superintendents, to highlight just a small portion of his community volunteerism.

In November 2015, Gilliam, who earned his bachelor of arts from Warner Pacific in 1975, announced he was experiencing the symptoms of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, also known as ALS or Lou Gehrig's disease. In the midst of this difficult time, he continued to point to God's goodness in an honest and heartfelt letter to his constituents. Representative Gilliam writes, "I also wanted to share that faith has been crucial for facing this new chapter of life. Becky and I are finding comfort in these words of Jesus:

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'I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world, you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.'"

"Warner Pacific College is deeply honored to recognize such a distinguished alumnus as Representative Gilliam with the honorary doctorate of laws degree," said Dr. Andrea Cook, president of Warner Pacific College. "Vic truly reflects Warner Pacific's mission and values through his strong gift of leadership and his deep commitment to civic engagement and service with godly guidance. Beyond his dedication to the people living in the 18th District of Oregon (Silverton, Oregon), he has shown bold leadership in protecting Oregon's most vulnerable senior citizens. His record demonstrates his commitment to bestowing blessings on others to raise up a better community for all."

Warner Pacific bestowed its first honorary doctorate degree on Senator Hatfield, who received a doctor of humanities in 1965.

#### Education in Equity Award

On Wednesday, April 13, 2016, Warner Pacific College was presented with the **Education in Equity Award** from the Oregon Campus Compact at their 20th Anniversary Celebration. The award recognizes one college or university in Oregon that has shown significant commitment to advancing equity in higher education, inequities in outcomes for students of color, first generation students, and other students who have historically be underrepresented in higher education. http://www.warnerpacific.edu/honoredwith-the-education-in-equity-award-from-oregoncampus-compact/

# WPC Named a "Best Christian College"

Warner Pacific was recently named one of the 100 Best Christian Colleges and Universities by College Choice. The list "is designed to help any student from any denomination find the college that will provide the right fit.*http://www.warnerpacific.edu/ named-a-best-christian-college/* 

#### WPC hosts youth SlingShot Conference in August

The conference is a regional experience that was genuinely designed to be cross-cultural / crossdenominational / cross-missional. Our hope is that everyone who attends SlingShot will encounter worship, inspiration, mission, and the transformative power of the Gospel in ways that are familiar, but more importantly in ways that introduce them to the vastness of the Kingdom. Please share the link *http://www.theslingshotconference.com/* with your youth pastor as well as high school and young adults. It is affordable and accessible for all.

# New Release: Rocinante a journal of art and literature

Enjoy the talents of Warner Pacific's students, staff, and faculty in this year's Rocinante. http:// www.warnerpacific.edu/just-released-2016-rocinantea-journal-of-art-and-literature/

#### Movie on the Lawn

A great family event. Bring a picnic dinner and enjoy Disney's Inside Out. Friday, July 29 Enjoy pre-movie entertainment and free popcorn 6:30 pm with the movie starting at dusk Warner Pacific's lawn: 2219 SE 68<sup>th</sup> Ave., Portland.



A long-time dream is being realized as construction began May 23rd on a new bike path addition to the playground at Sunset Park's Snoopeeland Child Development Center in St. Helens, Oregon.

Photo Courtesy: DeAnn Marble

## Camp White Branch Continues Progress; Funds Needed





http://www.orwacog/camp-white-branch

Check out the dates below for July and August Summer Camps.

Registration packets are available at your local church, and online at the District website: *orwacog.org.*  "Who said putting up sheet rock is fun?" asks Mel Neu, who reports that he and Leonard Myers got the second row of sheetrock installed May 25 (pictured left).

Reedsport men worked on Birch and Cedar cabins the previous weekend, leveling up the Cedar cabin by securing a new beam (pictured below).

The work continues at Camp White Branch. Funds are needed to continue to completion. Thank you for your faithful support.



#### SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

<u>Senior High Camp</u> - Mon.-Fri., July 11-15 (\$200) Effingham & Nunnally <u>Introductory Camp</u> - Fri.-Sun., July 15-17 (\$150) Jackson <u>Middle School Camp</u> - Mon.-Fri., July 18-22 (\$180) Dow <u>Summer Celebration</u> - Sun.-Wed., July 24- 27 <u>Junior Camp</u> - Mon.-Fri., August 1-5 (\$160) Kuykendall <u>Primary Camp</u> - Mon.-Thurs., August 8-11 (\$150) Graham

THE PURPOSE of The Association of the Churches of God in Oregon and SW Washington is to:

- Conduct business as the legally-incorporated body of the Association of the Churches of God in Oregon, Inc.
- Provide assistance to Oregon and Southwest Washington congregations and be a channel through which local congregations shall be mobilized to fulfill our united vision and mission.

**THE VISION** of The Association is for every believer to fulfill the mandate of the Great Commission, the Great Commandments, and the teachings of Jesus Christ.

THE MISSION of The Association is to:

- Create and maintain ministries that will strengthen, encourage, supplement, and promote local congregations of The Association;
- Inspire commitment to the teachings, mission, and theological perspectives of the Church of God, Anderson, IN;
- Provide support for the development of healthy Church of God congregations.

# IYC San Antonio

The 2016 International Youth Convention of the Church of God, better known as IYC, is just around the corner. July 2-5 are the dates, with the focus on "ONE" - One God, One Truth, One Body, One Mission.

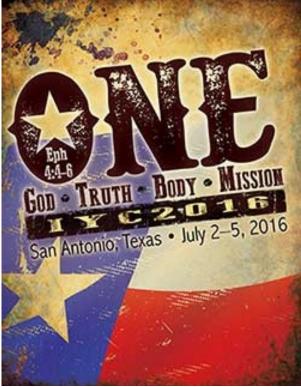
Youth throughout the ORWACOG district continue to raise funds and plan for travel arrangements in anticipation of a great event.

Launched in the early 1920s, youth ministry in the Church of God became organized on a movement-wide basis with the launch of a youth day during the annual Anderson Camp Meeting in 1924.

In 1930, the first three-day, biennial youth convention was held. Over the 86 years that have followed, international youth conventions have been held in all regions of the United States—as well as in three Canadian provinces.

In the late 1990s, the youth ministry team developed an overall purpose statement for IYC: *to create a moment for life change.* This purpose drives everything that happens at the convention.

Because of IYC, thousands of young men and women have made life-changing decisions. Hundreds have decided to go into full-time vocational ministry or mission. Over the last decade alone, thousands of youth have pledged to remain sexually pure.



Since 1992, participants have given back to each host city with an estimated \$500,000 worth of volunteer service hours in total. More than 63,000 pounds of garbage was picked up in one city alone.

Still, the giving goes beyond the IYC host cities. Since 1998, nearly 4,200 attendees have participated in IYC-related mission experiences in eleven countries. Over 36,000 students and leaders have attended IYC since 2002.

IYC wants to make a lasting difference. Since 2006, IYC has partnered with churches in communities where this event has been held to help plant churches and serve in various ways with existing churches.

Nurturing a giving heart and a lifetime focus on others is also encouraged by IYC. Collectively, students have given hundreds of thousands of dollars to Spread the Word, allowing young people to purchase practical tools and resources for evangelism worldwide.

Online registration is now closed, but registration at the door is \$170. Check out the promotional video clip and details at www.iyc2016.org or call 800-848-2464.

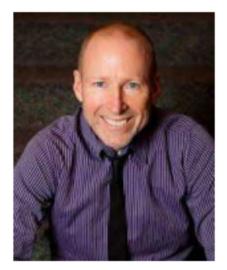
## IYC2016: San Antonio, Texas July 2-5

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Jim Lyon General Director Church of God Ministries

# Step Pass HE FATHER Pass HE FATHER States Advis Regional Conference

#### HIGHLIGHTS...

#### Wednesday, June 15

- 7:00 p.m. General Session open to all ages; speaker, Jim Lyon
- All church choir (if you'd like to join it, sign up on your registration form below)

#### Thursday, June 16

- 9:30 a.m. Worship & Speaker Jim Lyon
- Breakout sessions
- Senior Fair
- Lunch and dinner together
- 7:00 p.m. General Session

#### Friday, June 17

- 9:30 a.m. Worship & Speaker Jim Lyon
- Conference ends at noon

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- Step 1 Fill out registration form below. Cut and keep the upper portion.
- Step 2 Enclose registration fee: \$45 by June 1 or \$60 after June 1 (made payable to "Vancouver Church")

Step 3 - Mail to Irene Sparks, c/o Vancouver Church, 3300 NE 78th St., Vancouver, WA 98665.

Name	Church	
Address	City/State	Zip
Phone	Email	

□ I would like to join the choir for Wednesday evening general session, June15, 7:00 pm. I sing □ soprano □ alto □ tenor □ baritone □ bass □ don't know. Please send me practice music and materials.

Registration by June 1 is \$45; after June 1 is \$60.



Please join us on Yune 11th as we celebrate the anniversary of Rn & Ruth Palmer

Celebrate with Ron and Ruth Palmer! June 11, 2016, 1-3 p.m. Vow Renewal 2:00 p.m.

Hoodview Church of God, 1530 Mt. Hood Avenue, Woodburn, OR 97071

Please RSVP tazrobertiello@comcast.net

We welcome your presence, prayers and love!

Cards: PO Box 280, Newberg, OR 97132

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conversation and encouragement before the sessions resumed with Jeannette Flynn. Woodburn pastors BJ Kuykendall and Steve Kufeldt (along with guitarist Jesse Kuykendall) did a great job hosting the full-day event.



Ordination Candidates Jessica Taylor and David Thompson appear before the Ministerial Association in Woodburn, Oregon, May 7.

# **Upcoming Events**

REGION #8 Mtg. - Thursday, June 2, 2016 - 4:pm Annual Senior Retreat - Wednesday, June 15, -Friday, June 17, 2016 FATHER'S DAY- Sunday, June 19, 2016 REGION #6 Mtg. - Thursday, June 23, 11 am International Youth Convention - Saturday, July 2-Tuesday, July 5, 2016 REGION #2 Mtg - Thursday, July 7, 2016 - 10am Senior High Camp, entering 9th-12th grade -Monday, July 11, 2016 - Friday, July 15.2016 REGION #1 Mtg. - Tuesday, July 12, 2016 - 10 am REGION #5 Mtg. - Thursday, July 14, 2016 - 10 am Intro Camp, entering 2nd-3rd grade & Parent -Friday, July 15, 2016 - Sunday, July 17, 2016 Middle School Camp, entering 7th-8th grade -Monday, July 18, 2016 - Friday, July 22, 2016 REGION #3 Mtg. - Tuesday, July 19, 2016 - 10 am REGION #7 Mtg. - Wednesday, July 20, 2016 -12:00 pm REGION #4 Mtg. - Thursday, July 21, 2016 - 10 am Summer Celebration - Sunday, July 24, 2016 -Wednesday, July 27, 2016 Annual Business Meeting - Wednesday, July 27, 2016 Tigard COG 50th Anniversary Celebration -Saturday, July 30, 2016 - Sunday, July 31, 2016

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