



The Faith Connection

◆ The Wesley Foundation United Methodist Campus Ministry at the University of Oregon ◆
◆ Fall Term 2004 ◆

FROM THE CAMPUS PASTOR'S PEN:

Change is in the air! New students are arriving on campus, new classes are on fall term schedules, and soon we will welcome new friends here at the Wesley Foundation. An especially big change is on the horizon for me. As many of you already know, Allison and I are expecting our first child in early November. We are very excited to welcome this new life into our hearts and lives! Our summer has been filled with birth classes, car seats and other baby gear, and preparing a little nursery for the impending arrival. We are absolutely amazed at all that must be done to get ready for such a small person!

In the midst of all this activity, I sometimes pause to simply marvel at what is taking place. Despite all that we have learned about what happens as a baby develops in the womb, much of it remains a mystery. Psalm 139 comes to mind: "You [God] knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise

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you for I am wonderfully and fearfully made." We have no idea what shape this new life will take, and I find it absolutely thrilling! God is at work, creating a unique person. What kind of music will this child like? Will he/she dance or play sports or paint or hate school or love the color yellow? Birth is just the beginning! God creates us in our mother's womb, but God doesn't call it quits after we enter the world. God's grace stays active in our lives and continues to create us anew throughout our lives. So as God creates my child in the womb, I feel called to reflect on how God continues to create me anew. I am not exactly the same person I was ten years ago, nor will I be ten years from now. By God's grace, we are a new creation—throughout our lives.

So what about you? As you enter this new academic year, how might God be at work, creating you anew?

Blessings,

Jeremy Hajdu-Paulen
Campus Pastor

Campus Pastor's Family Leave

In order to have quality time with his new son or daughter, Jeremy will be taking an eight-week family leave from (about) October 28 to December 23 (depending on when the little one decides to appear!)



ALL WESLEY FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES WILL CONTINUE AS PLANNED!

Welcome Back Barbeque!

Sunday, September 26 at 6pm

All students are invited to come by the Wesley Foundation for a relaxing evening of food and fellowship. See old friends and make new ones.

Bring your friends!



The Wesley Foundation is located at 1236 Kincaid Street, right next door to the UO Bookstore.

FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Wednesdays at 6:30pm

Join us for a free simple supper followed by lively singing, engaging conversation about the Christian faith, and prayer.

All are welcome!

Wesley Foundation Fall Retreat

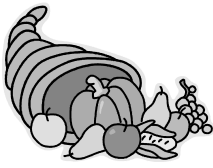
Camp Magruder, Rockaway Beach, OR

October 8-10, 2004



Join in a wonderful weekend of fellowship, renewal, and spiritual reflection. Enjoy the beauty of the Oregon coast!

Cost is \$25 for two nights and five meals. Scholarships available—ask Jeremy.



More Fall Term Activities You Won't Want to Miss!

Fellowship Night commences on Wednesday, September 29 at 6:30pm.

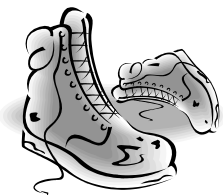
A Homecoming Brunch is scheduled for Saturday, October 16 at 10am to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the dedication of our campus ministry facility in 1954.

The Wesley Foundation Student Worship Team will lead worship at Asbury and Harrisburg United Methodist Churches on Sunday, October 17 starting at 9am. All are encouraged to participate!

Dr. Luke T. Johnson, Emory University, will present a series of discussions entitled Paul the Apostle: Liberator or Oppressor on October 22, 23, and 24 at Central Lutheran Church. A group from the Wesley Foundation will attend at least one of these talks. Stay tuned for details!

The Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry's annual fall fundraiser, The Choral Extravaganza, will be held on Sunday, November 7 at 7pm at First United Methodist Church (1376 Olive Street). Student help is needed to set-up and usher the event!

Fall Term Campus Pastor Office Hours will be held every Thursday from 10-11am at The Buzz (the coffee shop on the lower level of the EMU). See you there!



FALL HIKE

Couldn't get tickets to the football game?

Wanna put those first-week woes behind you?

Get out in God's good creation for a hike!

Saturday, October 2 — 12:30pm
Meet at the Wesley Foundation

Look for a nugget of spiritual wisdom in your e-mail box once-a-week this Fall!

People in the News

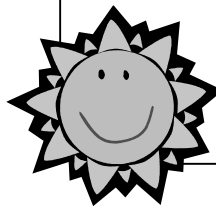
Laura Riley and Karl Drücks have arrived in Seoul, South Korea, where they are teaching English. *** **Christine Keene** has begun her Master's degree at Florida State University. *** **Ken Baker** is studying abroad this year in Germany. *** **Steve Mallory** has moved to Denver, Colorado where he is studying for the bar exam. *** **Andy Cobble** married his fiancée Kathleen on June 26. They have settled in Tampa, Florida *** **Courtney King** has moved back to Arizona where she hopes to pursue her Master's degree at Northern Arizona State. *** **Solveig Heinz** returned to her native Germany to continue her studies. *** **Margaret McGladrey** vacationed in Alaska and studied in Ghana this summer. *** **Beth Tveit, Emma Nelson-Munson, and Katie Moss** all represented the Wesley Foundation during our campus ministry presentation at Annual Conference in Salem on June 11. *** **Sarah Terpin, Loren Saunders, and Evan Howard** all stayed in Eugene over the summer to take classes. *** **AnneMarie Knepper** is back from France and landed a summer internship in Seattle.

You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world...

Let your light

SHINE!

—Matthew 5:13, 14, 16



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