Help Run a Summer Camp in China

"Would you and your volunteers come and run an American-style church camp for our junior and senior high students?" This is our invitation from a large Christian church in Beijing, China! Volunteers for China (VFC) founders David and Ann Wilson have had a connection to the Chongwenmen Church for almost twenty years, knowing several of the pastors and many of the church’s English translators. "If it's Sunday and we are in Beijing, then we attend Chongwenmen,” they say.

The church was seeking ways to reach out into the community and share the love of Jesus, so the church's minister to children and youth contacted Volunteers for China about doing a camp.

The result in 2012 was that 60 students were at a weeklong English Bible camp in the outskirts of the city. The camp theme was "He Knows My Name," and the song video from iWorship was how each morning began. This was indeed a week of singing praise music in morning devotions, evening reflections, and vespers. Students studied the parables of Jesus and discussed how to apply them to their lives. Jean Samples, an ESL specialist from Houston, Texas, who had taught in China several times with VFC, prepared the wonderful lesson materials and came as one of the teachers. Students also had fun doing crafts, playing games, splatter painting tee shirts, and making friends! This was church camp just like in America!

One of the campers with the English name “Jane” was a typical teenager, sometimes cooperative, sometimes not! Yet, she quickly made friends with the American students who served as counselors. (continued on page 2)
Jane did not go to church often and did not study the Bible very much. When David and Ann went back to visit Maggie, one of the Chinese teaching assistants from the camp, we learned that Jane now goes to church every Sunday and has even joined an English Bible study group. Jane saw Jesus in a different way because of the love shown her by the American and Chinese counselors and teachers at camp.

The Chongwenmen Church wants us to lead camp again during summer 2013. The reality is that without American students as counselors and adults as leaders, it can’t happen. This is an opportunity to share the gospel in China at the invitation of a legally-operating, registered Chinese Christian church. Are you willing to spare 12 days from your summer fun and vacation? Are you willing to seek funding from your family, friends, and home church? Are you willing to make friends with Chinese youth by being their camp counselor?

You can be the hands and feet and mouth of Jesus at English Bible camp in Beijing! Cost is $600 plus an air ticket. Dates are either July 30 to August 5, or August 1 to 12. We will select the final dates based on those willing to go. Don’t miss the opportunity that God is providing for you to be his reflection of love.

Contact Ann and David Wilson, Volunteers for China, by phone 865-983-9852, or email cen29529@centurytel.net.

FBE Board Meeting

The annual meeting of the FBE Board will be August 8 - 9 at the headquarters of Book-Link, International in Eubank, Kentucky. All members are invited to join the officers in hearing reports and planning for the next year. If you can come, contact me at rlamb12@carolina.rr.com for information about motels and directions to Eubank.

Teaching English to English Teachers in China

My husband and I served in Northeast China, Liaoning Province as English teachers from March 1991 until July 1999. For years after that God gave me plenty to do teaching English to Chinese students who came to my own small town!

After my husband, LaRue, passed away in August 2008, I felt that my days of teaching overseas were over, but in April of 2009 an opportunity to teach hand bells at Ricks Institute in Virginia, Liberia came in such a way that I knew it was definitely part of His plan for me. I realized I could still travel to teach.

As early as December 2010 I felt nudges from the Spirit to return to China. I put out some feelers and as each step fell into place, I took the next one until I accepted a short-term teaching assignment in Southwestern Yunan Province in Lincang, a place extremely different from the one where I had served previously. This area was very mountainous and hot and contains about twenty-five of the minority people groups in China.

My assignment was to teach English teachers current teaching methods and how to supervise and evaluate their teaching. (Continued on page 3)

News from Members

Students Think Globally Now

Students come to universities every semester asking what professors know about this organization or that in the global education market. It is our job to prepare our students to teach well whether in international schools in cities around the world, dirt floor village one-room schools, or US military bases across the globe.

We need teachers in suburban America where I have a vested interest because my two children attend public schools. However, Kwazi and Lewethu, my special friends in Swaziland, Africa deserve no less than my Emma and Noah in Vestavia Hills, Alabama. I want them to have the best of the best in teachers.

Dr. Robin C. Duncan, is Assistant Professor, Director of the Fifth Year Non-Traditional Master’s program, Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies, Samford University...
I also had to teach them how to assign a grade for the course. Most of these teachers had not had student teaching as part of their preparation, and many were still working toward their teaching certificates. I prepared by studying the curriculum that had to be followed, but I struggled with the realization that there would be no copy machines available, and luggage limitations meant that what I could take with me was limited.

What to teach proved to be the easy part. How to do it was more challenging. My “classroom” was a carport which was located down the side of one mountain, across the valley, and up the next mountain away from my room. I had to carry materials back and forth because I could not leave them unattended over night.

There were no walls for mounting posters, no chalkboards, and nothing electronic. We did manage to find one small table and a small white board which had to be held with one hand while writing with the other. The students had no desks, only small stools to sit on. Teaching under the carport reminded me of what is most important in teaching—not the room or equipment, but the personal contact and student involvement. Teaching music in the elementary school in Anna, Illinois where I almost never had a classroom had prepared me to manage and be creative under all circumstances.

The students were very attentive, but had to work much harder than they had expected. Most of them adjusted rather quickly and really tried. Because of my previous experience, I knew they would be weak in speaking and writing skills, so I tried to give them many opportunities in these areas. To challenge them further, I asked two students to help me evaluate the other student teachers. We found it was challenging to always find those positive things to say especially after several days of observing the same “lesson plan,” with only the topic changed. I had to keep in mind that this was, in most cases, the first time they had taught to be critiqued, especially by a native English speaker, and with their peers as the students. What a joy it was to see them grow in so many ways day to day—

to relax with me, to begin to ask questions, to want to look more closely at materials I had brought, and to talk with me outside of class. What wonderful smiles they had as they received their certificates from the Provincial Director of Education and knew they were one step closer to that coveted teaching certificate.

--Lora Blackwell-Kern

Dr. Will Partain, son of Dr. Jack Partain, gave a large part of his father’s library directly to Dr. Terry Eddinger, one of our FBE members, for the Carolina Graduate School of Divinity on February 14, 2013. Dr. Jack Partain had served as a missionary at the East Africa Baptist Seminary in Tanzania before coming back to the States where he worked at William Jewell Baptist College and at Gardner-Webb University. Dr. Eddinger is Vice President for Academics at the school. In all there were 3,050 volumes in this gift.

Being a Part of a Ripple of Blessings

-- A note from the Acting Editor

When I look back I think my wife, Rhea, and I were very young when we came to Gardner-Webb College to teach. We had felt called to be foreign missionaries, had prepared diligently, and were frustrated at being turned down by the Foreign Mission Board, so we had found an opening to teach in a Baptist college here in the States instead.

Now that we have lived half a century in the little town of Boiling Springs, North Carolina where Gardner-Webb University is located, we can look back in delight at the way God still enabled us to help share the gospel with the world.

We got to be part of the faculty that developed a strong department of religious studies that educated men and women who became the leaders of Baptist life for these last thirty years. We had as part of our college motto, “to teach students to think for themselves...”

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I chuckled at the result when our graduates often found themselves on opposite sides of many denominational issues. They have been united, though, about sharing the gospel with their world.

During the last decade of our time at Gardner-Webb I had the privilege of being the founding dean of the School of Divinity that continues to prepare students for worldwide service. In retirement I started a little school for pastors in Belize and have worked with the Fellowship of Baptist Educators encouraging others to teach abroad. We’ve taught in seminaries in South Africa and the Philippines.

Rhea and I had thought that our calling was to help educate students in one of our seminaries overseas. But God knew that we were called to start ripples of blessings from a little town in North Carolina that have reached around the world.

If I can help you find a way to fulfill your calling, please let me know. I’ll be delighted to help.

-- Bob Lamb rlamb12@carolina.rr.com
   cell: 704-472-8704

Do You Have Bibles or Study Materials in Spanish?

A ministry for pastors in Nicaragua needs study materials in Spanish. If you have these resources or know of a source, please contact Rev. David Webb at United Christian Missions, PO Box 1038, Boiling Springs, NC 28017. His telephone number is 704-434-9047.

Book-Link, Inc. Needs Volunteers to Help Pack Shipments

Book-Link, Inc. needs volunteers to pack materials at its warehouse in Eubank, Kentucky. If you or a group of volunteers would like to help, call 606-379-1734 or 606-379-2140 to arrange with Olin Williams for your visit.

Opportunities to Teach Around the World

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

This is a listing of several options that are currently available through CBF and its partners. In addition educators might want to know that one of our Mission Communities deals solely with education. It can be reached by visiting http://www.thefellowship.info/Missions/Communities/Education

Missouri. Bosnian Immigrants ministry. In partnership with Kirkwood Baptist Church in St. Louis, CBF Field Personnel Mira and Sasha Zivanov work to provide food pantries, computer classes, and ESL training to immigrants from Bosnia, Slovenia, and Croatia in the St. Louis area. If you are interested in partnering with this ministry, Contact Chris Boltin at cboltin@thefellowship.info

North Carolina. CBF Field Personnel Anna and LaCount Anderson serve in northeastern NC, primarily centered in Halifax and Northampton Counties. Their ministry continues to expand and includes summer events for children, a literacy fair, VBS, a community garden, food ministry and even the operation/renovation of a woman’s shelter in Enfield. Teams are always welcome. Contact the Andersons at landerson@thefellowship.info for more information.

Texas. Refugee Ministry in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. CBF Field Personnel Karen Morrow works with small teams to minister among refugee families as they acclimate to life in the US, learn English, find jobs and understand healthcare and employment issues in a new and foreign country. Contact Karen for more information at fkmorrow@yahoo.com

Belize. Help the Baptist Bible School to provide ministerial training one intensive week at a time. A layman is needed to serve as driver and assistant each of the three weeks each year. Teachers are also needed. Contact Mrs. Susan Pasour at spasour@yahoo.com for information.

Belize. Partner with the St. Elena School through a construction project. Teams are needed for construction, to help with VBS and to lead in discipleship and leadership training. To learn more about St. Elena School, contact Linda Jones at ljones@ebfnc.org.
Romania. Help CBF Field Personnel Ralph and Tammy Stocks work with the Romany people. The Ruth School offers 1st-8th grade studies for Romany children. Summertime provides the opportunity for VBS camps. Construction teams, teacher appreciation helpers and sewing and craft workers are also needed. Contact Ralph and Tammy at rstocks@thefellowship.info for more information about any of these opportunities.

Poland. CBF Field Personnel Keith Holmes works in tandem with partners at Faith Comes by Hearing to record the New Testament in various languages. An artistic director is needed to assist with the Polish translation of the New Testament. A male candidate is needed to travel to Poland for 8-9 weeks for this project. Skills in electronic media/dramatic arts and sensitivity to cross-cultural situations are a must. Contact Chris Boltin cboltin@thefellowship.info for more information.

Southern Spain. CBF Field Personnel Joel and Tiffne Whitley work among the immigrant community in Roquetas, Spain. Individuals are needed to work with the “mi casa” ministry space to engage local residents through a variety of social and spiritual outreach ministries. Individuals may teach sewing, Bible and discipleship classes. Opportunities are also available to work with cultural exchange cooking programs, a coffee/tea house and even the development of media pieces. Language skills in French and Spanish would be helpful—but not required. Contact Joel and Tiffne at twhitley@thefellowship.info for more information.

Greece. CBF Field Personnel Bob and Janice Newell lead PORTA as a spiritual and cultural center for Albanian immigrants in the heart of Athens, Greece. Albanians are exposed to cultural affirmation through art shows, job training, worship services, language classes, feeding programs, puppetry, parenting workshops, financial planning, computer classes, and theology and leadership courses. If you are interested in assisting with any of these wonderful ministries that are offered through PORTA, contact Bob and Janice at bandjnewell@hotmail.com.

France. CBF Field Personnel David and Julie Brown serve in the beautiful coastal town of Marseille, France. The beauty of the location is overshadowed by the plight of the thousands of refugees who come to Europe in search of a better life. These refugees have faced immense poverty, civil wars, and ethnic strife. Through tangible ministries like ESL classes, counseling, leadership development, music, construction projects and VBS, teams are able to join the Browns in this work. Contact the Browns at gbrown52779@yahoo.com.

Moldova. CBF Field Personnel Keith Holmes and Mary Van Rheenen, though based in the Netherlands, focus on the needs of the Romany people. This couple has spent hours dubbing Christian films, children’s videos, and audio versions of scripture into the Romany language. In addition to these beneficial ministries, Keith and Mary are also involved in Romany outreach in Moldova. This country, which was once considered the “bread basket of Europe,” today is known as the poorest country in Europe. Teams are needed to assist local believers in holding a Vacation Bible School/Day Camp in a Romany village. The VBS/Camp will be in the afternoons. The team will coordinate with a local pastor to arrange physical recreation, music, crafts, and other activities. Contact Keith and Mary if you are interested in learning more about these opportunities at holmesvr@online.nl.

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Seminary Teachers Needed

The Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary in beautiful Baguio needs volunteer teachers in the following areas (arranged according to need):
1. Church History
2. Pastoral Care and Counseling
3. Systematic Theology
4. Preaching

Our classes are offered quarterly. This is the 2013-2014 schedule.
1st Term - June 10 to August 2
2nd Term - Aug 12 to Oct 4
3rd Term - Oct 14 to Dec 13
4th Term - Jan 20 to Mar 14

Contact Rev. Michael R. Janapin, Th.D.
Academic Dean
PBTS Baguio City, Philippines
http://mulingsilang.wordpress.com
http://www.pbts.net.ph
The Baptist Bible School of Belize needs teachers one week at a time, three times a year. Contact Susan Pasour for details. spasour@yahoo.com

Liberia. The Liberia Baptist Theological Seminary needs theological educators to assist six to twelve months at a time for the next five years as the Academic Dean, Rev. Brooks, is in USA complete his Ph. D. The Seminary also needs a developer and maintenance person and a projector writer and project manager. Contact Dr. Arnold Hill at amimp9@yahoo.com for details.

International Mission Board

To learn more about each of these opportunities contact www.imb.org or the website of the IMB, SBC.

Teach at Kodaikanal International School in India See Web site http://kis.in/ for full job descriptions. Teachers are expected to fully support residential life in a boarding environment. Several positions are open now.

Teach Bachelor’s level Business in China This job entails teaching bachelor’s level Business to Chinese and international students. Minimum of master’s degree required for this position. Fee for trip is $1,270 plus airfare. The university will provide monthly living allowance based on educational experience. Length: 120 days

Teach a Missionary Child in Senegal You could be blessed by teaching 5th and 6th grade to an 11 year old MK, allowing her parents more time to continue their ministry with the Fulbe people. Be a part of our family’s ministry in the bush. Fee for trip is $420 plus airfare. Length: 14 days

From the Edge Institute comes this opportunity for teaching conversational English outside Chengdu, China. The team will arrive in Chengdu for training and then travel to the host school outside of Chengdu. The team will be working with HuaMei Education and Training Center, a private school located in Chengdu. More information is available to those who are interested. Please share this opportunity with others. Anyone who can speak English and has a heart for lost people who live in the 1040 window is qualified to teach in this program.

The Edge Institute uses English as a platform to share with those who are seeking.

Description:
EFL Volunteers (8-12)
Sichuan, China – Team Leader: Marketa Cross
Dates: July 27 – August 10, 2013
Arrival Date: July 25, 2013
Departure Date: August 11, 2013
Project Task: Teach English while building relationships with 12 to 18 year old students in an area outside Chengdu, China.
Curriculum is provided, leading activities such as games, music, sports, etc. Teacher Qualifications: Adults and teens are welcome, 14-18 year olds must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Estimated cost: $800.00 plus airfare.

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Teach in Mission Schools
Schools are recruiting staff and faculty now for 2013 - 2014

Bamako Christian Academy, Bamako, Mali
The Bamako Christian Academy is a small K -12, international, inter-mission day school serving the mission and international community in Mali. http://bcmali.org/site/home%20.html

Believers Community School, Bangalore, India is an English medium Christian School. E-mail: bcs4me@gmail.com
Roger Zunigha, Principal

The Black Forest Academy, Germany, has a staff of 160 who come from all over the world: the United States, Canada, Australia, UK, Europe, and other countries. Available positions are listed online, complete with a basic job description of each role. www.bfacademy.com/staff/join-our-team/current-openings/.

The Bucharest Christian Academy, Romania Join the Team
Are you looking for a wonderful place to start or continue your teaching experience? We are currently recruiting teachers and staff. http://www.bcaromania.org/

The Dakar-Christian Academy, Dakar, Senegal, West Africa offers a base subsidy of $5000 per year and base benefits including furnished housing, utilities stipend, and transport to and from campus for work. Dakar Academy teachers take pleasure in sharing in the lives of students in the classroom and in extracurricular activities, including sports, drama, youth group, and outreach.
If you would like to apply for a teaching position email the following information to Director Joseph Rosa: your resume, a completed application and references http://www.dakar-academy.org/
Hawaii Baptist Academy, Honolulu, Honolulu USA
http://www.hba.net/student_life/high_school
HBA is an independent, Christ-centered preparatory school located in Honolulu, Hawaii. All of our graduates qualify for college, and more than 100 students become Christians each year.

Inter-American School, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala
is located in the beautiful highland valley of Quetzaltenango, Guatemala. http://www.ias-xela.org/

International Christian Academy, Nagoya, Japan

International Community School, Bangkok, Thailand http://www.icsbangkok.com/


Kunming International Academy
Kunming, Yunnan Province, China http://www.kia-china.org/index.php2

Kathmandu International Study Center School http://www.kisc.edu.np

Missionary Aviation Fellowship Schools http://www.ehow.com/list_6903855_missionary-aviation-schools.html are located around the world.

Mountainview International Christian School, Salatiga, Central Java, Indonesia http://www.mountainviewics.org/

Nicaragua Christian Academy
http://www.nca.edu.ni/

Oasis International Schools
http://www.oasisis.org/
Locations: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, China, Ghana, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Peru, Singapore, South Korea, Suriname, Turkey, and Venezuela

Oaxaca Christian School, Oaxaca, Mexico
www.oaxacachristianschool.com
All classes are taught in English. Teachers raise their own support and volunteer their time.

Okinawa Christian School International
http://www.ocsi.org/employment.html

Operation Mobilisation Ships offer a variety of opportunities in Moldova, Argentina, Cacaucus, etc.
http://www.om.org/en/opportunities

Class Teacher
We are looking for qualified kindergarten, primary, and secondary teachers to serve on board our British curriculum school. The successful applicants need to be enthusiastic to serve as volunteers in this Christian environment. Small class-sizes, with children coming from many different countries and the family atmosphere within this school provide a unique teaching experience.

Ricks Institute, Liberia, Africa
http://www.ricksonline.org/
Ricks_Institute_Liberia/Welcome.html
Ricks Institute, a grade school from K to 12

Teacher and students at Hawaii Baptist Academy

We are looking for qualified kindergarten, primary, and secondary teachers to serve on board our British curriculum school. The successful applicants need to be enthusiastic to serve as volunteers in this Christian environment. Small class-sizes, with children coming from many different countries and the family atmosphere within this school provide a unique teaching experience.
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