

# First Press

## First Reformed Presbyterian Church

— A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America. —

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### 2007 Spring Missions Conference

#### *WORLD MISSIONS: A Mission of Faith and Wisdom!*

We are looking forward to the Spring Missions Conference to be held the weekend of March 9 - 11, 2007. This year we welcome back Dr. Natee Tanchanpongs as our conference preacher. He will be preaching from the book of Nehemiah with the conference theme *WORLD MISSIONS: A Mission of Faith and Wisdom!* Natee has completed a Ph.D. program at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Systematic Theology this year. Natee and Bee Tanchanpongs have been supported by our church since Natee graduated from Covenant Seminary in 2000.

Natee returned to Thailand after completing his M. Div. from Covenant Theological Seminary in 2000 under the sponsorship of Presbyterian Missions International. He joined a cooperative effort with a new MTW church planting team in Bangkok under the direction of Rev. Dave Veldhorst. The team's strategy involves direct church planting, university ministry, community development/mercy ministry and the establishment of a training center. To find out more about this church planting effort in Bangkok, visit the team's website at [www.mtwthailand.org](http://www.mtwthailand.org).

After their marriage in May 2002, Natee and his new bride, Bee, moved to Chicago so that Natee could pursue the Ph.D. program at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. During their doctoral studies in Chicago, Natee and Bee served as ministry leaders in a local Thai church. Natee plans to return to Thailand this spring and teach at the Bangkok Bible College and Seminary and rejoin the MTW/PMI church planting team. Natee met with the dean of BBCS in Chicago recently and is encouraged by the great opportunity to give the Thai church, its pastors and ministry leaders a grace-centered outlook and to lay a well-grounded Biblical foundation. Bee will not be able to attend the conference since she is 7 months pregnant with their first child.

Rev. Bob and Shirley Woodson, long term Faith Promise supported missionaries will also be part of this year's conference. Bob and Shirley have been ministering for many years in Peru. In 1993, they and two other couples began a church plant in Surco, a middle class area in the capital of Lima. Bob has served as a co-pastor of the work and Shirley has been involved in developing leaders among the women. Carla Stevens from Belize will also be participating in the conference. Carla has been an MTW missionary directly involved in the Belize Presbyterian elementary schools, establishment of Cornerstone High School, and the implementation of the Belize Teacher College Program in 2006. Also participating will be Dale and Linda McLane who served the Belize Teacher College Program in July 2006.

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## COMING EVENTS

**FEBRUARY 4**  
Congregational Meeting  
after A.M. Worship

**FEBRUARY 17 - 18**  
Junior High Snow Camp

**FEBRUARY 20**  
7:00 p.m.  
Joint Session/  
Diaconate Meeting

**FEBRUARY 24**  
9:00 a.m.  
WIC Prayer Breakfast

6:00 p.m.  
Young Families  
Fellowship Dinner

## LOOKING AHEAD

**MARCH 9-11**  
Missions Conference

And now these three remain:  
**FAITH, .....  
& HOPE  
& Love.**  
..... But the greatest  
of these is love.  
I Corinthians 13:13

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The conference begins with dinner at 6:15 PM on Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> with Dr. Tanchanpongs preaching and introductions of all the participants. The Saturday morning program features the "festival format" with module presentations presented by Bob and Shirley Woodson - Peru, Natee Tanchanpongs -Thailand; and Carla Stevens, Dale and Linda McLane - Belize Teacher College Program. Conference participants will be able to rotate among all three modules, which have been expanded this year to allow more time for interaction and prayer with the missionaries. A special Children's Missions Program will be provided Friday evening after dinner and Saturday morning for children age 4 through grade 6.

On Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> the adult Sunday School class will feature a course on World Missions taught by Dr. Rick Stiffler. On Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, a combined Sunday School will feature a panel discussion with all our participants moderated by Pastor Bowlin. We will receive our Faith Promise pledges in the morning service with Dr. Tanchanpongs preaching.

We anticipate a wonderful time together at our Spring Missions Conference focusing on our partnership in World Missions. Special events, meals and activities are planned for the conference. Please reserve the dates, we look forward to seeing you and your entire family at the conference!



Congratulations to  
Eric and Julie Douglas  
Upon the birth of their son  
*Luke Jacob*  
On December 8, 2006

### Baby Bottle Collection for Crossroads Pregnancy Services



Bottles will be available beginning February 11. Fill them with change to benefit Crossroads Pregnancy Services. Return it to the church by March 11. For further details, contact Beth Pifer, Chairperson, WIC Salt & Light Committee.

## February Birthdays

1	Sarah Faber	15	Chris Miller
3	Lisa Murphy	17	Earl Lintelman
4	Caleb Sabella Joshua Sabella	19	Fran Campbell
		20	Vanessa Anthony
7	Michael Lintelman Ed Stephens	21	Gretchen McElhinney Dan Roseum
8	Mya Bremmer Denise Dalbey Judy Lawyer Shauna Renda Maree Vizino	23 25 27	David Conrad Jacob Crawford Lori Andrzejewski Ken Boyer Luke Mattson
11	Justin Pifer		
12	Ann Magnuson Seth Master Jessica Roseum	28	Cullen Boyer Cheryl Hamilton
13	Ray Crawford		
14	Tyler Campbell Randy Lintelman		



## Financial Summary January 1 - December 31, 2006

<b>Operating Account:</b>	
Receipts	\$ 426,421
Disbursements	\$ 472,078
<i>Account Balances -</i>	
Operating Checking	\$ 14,582
Operating Saving	\$ 83,295
<b>Benevolence Account:</b>	
Income	\$ 106,986
Disbursements	\$ 130,979
<b>Deacons' Fund:</b>	
Income	\$ 25,182
Disbursements	\$ 12,797
<i>Account Balances - (as of 1/22/07)</i>	
Deacons' Checking	\$ 12,871
Deacons' Money Mkt.	\$ 10,724



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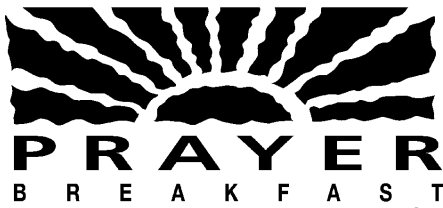
# February



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*Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday*

<p><b>Each Sunday:</b>                  9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages                  10:45 a.m. Morning Worship                  5:30 p.m. Promises                  6:30 p.m. Evening Worship</p>				<p><b>1</b>                  9:30 a.m.                  WIC Bible Study</p> <p>6:30 p.m.                  Pioneer Girls,                  First Boys Club</p>	<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>3</b>                  9:00 a.m.                  Missions                  Committee                  Meeting</p>
<p><b>4</b> 10:45 a.m.                  Lord's Supper                  Congregational                  Meeting after                  A.M. Worship                  4:45 p.m.                  Joint Youth Group                  5:45 p.m.                  Missions Conf.                  Prayer</p>	<p><b>5</b>                  6:45 p.m.                  Bowling</p>	<p><b>6</b>                  7:00 p.m.                  Plum Covenant                  Group</p>	<p><b>7</b>                  6:45 p.m.                  College &amp; Career                  Bible Study</p>	<p><b>8</b>                  9:30 a.m.                  MOPS</p> <p>6:30 p.m.                  Pioneer Girls,                  First Boys Club</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b></p>
<p><b>11</b>                  4:45 p.m.                  Joint Youth Group                  5:45 p.m.                  Missions Conf.                  Prayer</p>	<p><b>12</b>                  6:45 p.m.                  Bowling</p>	<p><b>13</b>                  7:00 p.m.                  McLane                  Covenant Group                  7:30 p.m.                  Murrysville                  Covenant Group</p>	<p><b>14</b>    <i>Valentine's Day</i>                  6:45 p.m.                  College &amp; Career                  Bible Study</p>	<p><b>15</b>                  9:30 a.m.                  WIC Bible Study</p> <p>6:30 p.m.                  Pioneer Girls,                  First Boys Club</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b>                  Junior High                  Snow Camp</p>
<p><b>18</b>                  4:45 p.m.                  Joint Youth Group                  5:45 p.m.                  Missions Conf.                  Prayer</p>	<p><b>19</b>                    PRESIDENTS'                  DAY                  6:45 p.m.                  Bowling</p>	<p><b>20</b>                  7:00 p.m.                  Joint Session/                  Diaconate Meeting</p>	<p><b>21</b>                  6:45 p.m.                  College &amp; Career                  Bible Study                  7:30 p.m.                  Crawford Covenant                  Group</p>	<p><b>22</b>                  9:30 a.m.                  MOPS</p> <p>6:30 p.m.                  Pioneer Girls,                  First Boys Club</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b>                  9:00 a.m.                  WIC Prayer                  Breakfast                  6:00 p.m.                  Young Families                  Fellowship Dinner</p>
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9:00 a.m.  
Saturday, February 24

All ladies are invited to join us for a devotion, breakfast and prayer for First Reformed, our ministries and missionaries.

Speaker: Betsy Ellebaum from  
Christ Presbyterian PCA

*Childcare is available by request*



## Calling All Young Families...

- Do you need a night out with your spouse?
- Could you use an evening of fellowship with other adults?
- Would you like to start a meal and finish it all at one time?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, plan to spend Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> fellowshiping with other parents over a nice slow paced meal. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. and our evening will end at 8:00 p.m. Childcare and a snack will be provided for your children.

**Cost: \$5.00/couple**  
Please bring a side dish to share

Our meal will include cheese fondue, marinated chicken, your delicious side dishes, and end with Chocolate Fondue!

Please RSVP to Chrissy Cole at 724-327-9599  
chrissycole@comcast.net or sign up at the Welcome Center  
(please indicate if you need childcare and number of kids)