

NEW SOUTH FOCUS

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THOUGHTS FROM LOIS HUFF

This afternoon I received two texts. One let me know school was cancelled again tomorrow, and the other let me know that a couple in our conference were going to serve as missions promoters for one of our New South churches. Which do you think made me happier? Since I don't teach any more, and since I'm not in middle school, the answer is obvious.

Do you see the connection between a church having a missions promoter and the many political signs now along our highways --not to mention the ads on TV? People who want your vote make sure you know their names, and a missions promoter helps congregations Know, Pray, Give and sometimes even Go, through keeping the names of our global leaders on our minds.

From multiple baptisms in an Asian creative access country to mothers of ICCM children praying for hours together in Togo to new house churches (and maybe even new countries) being started up in the Middle East to the expansion of meeting places in Portugal to multiple new leaders being trained to disciple other new leaders in Latin America, the Holy Spirit is at work through the global Free Methodist Church!

I confess I enjoy watching this year's Kentucky Wildcats any time I can see them play, but I don't write fan mail, pray for them to win, send contributions or even try to attend a game in person. No, I am in agreement with something Dr. Delia Nuesch-Oliver liked to say when she was the Latin American Area Director, "Yours for the only thing that really matters." May our reaching out to the world be part of all the New South churches. It really, really, really does matter!

Lois Huff, NSC Missions Promoter

Conference / Superintendent's Calendar (all times eastern)

February 25: MEG Zoom, 7:00p
March 12: DL Zoom, 9:30a
March 14: FMH&P – Gallatin #1 of 2
March 20: District Leaders – Wilmore, 2:00 – 5:00 p
March 20: BOA – Wilmore, 6:00 – 10:00 p
March 21: MEG/MAC – Wilmore, 8:00 a - noon
March 31-April 2: Global Overseers Team (GOT) - Indianapolis
April 9: DL Zoom, 9:30a
April 18: FMH&P – Gallatin #2 of 2
April 26-28: ABS - Tampa
May 14: DL Zoom, 9:30a
May 29-30: New South Annual Conference, Wilmore FMC
June 7-9: ABS - Indianapolis
June 15-20: NSC Teen Camp
June 11-14: NSC Family Camp
June 22-26: NSC Kids' Camp
August 9-11: ABS – Baltimore
August 25-28: Starting Strong for new pastors - Indianapolis
September 23-25: New Room Conference, Nashville, TN

Psalm 100 New International Version (NIV)

A psalm. For giving grateful praise.

1

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

2

Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

3

Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

4

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

5

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

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