

LAY ASIDE EVERY WEIGHT

HEBREWS 12:1



MISSIONS CONFERENCE ● NOVEMBER 6-21, 2021



WELCOME

If you look at the world around us, the chaos and uncertainty of a global pandemic, political upheaval, social strain and economic uncertainty seem to rule the day. In our own lives, we can be distracted from the call to make disciples by worries, sorrows, personal conflicts and our own sinful patterns.

**As believers in Jesus, we know God is Sovereign and through the power of the Holy Spirit we can -
Lay aside every weight!**

**Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely,
and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us. – Hebrews 12:1**

We invite you to join us as we worship, pray, examine our own hearts and connect with our missionaries during our 2021 Missions Conference. We encourage you to take advantage of as many of the opportunities as possible.

On Sunday mornings, we will have the privilege to hear from three guest speakers as we explore ways to:

- "Lay Aside Every Weight: Partnering with your Missionaries"
Matt Kent, Cru
- "Lay Aside Every Weight: Mobilizing the church for outreach"
Jim Boerckel
- "Lay Aside Every Weight: How to revive your heart for missions"
Robert J. Morgan

In these tumultuous times, people in our communities and around the world are looking for hope and answers to hard questions. We know the One who is truth and life and who provides the only true hope.

In his great mercy, God calls all of us, despite our sins, failures and weaknesses to be beacons of light in a dark world. Our prayer is that God would speak to us individually and corporately as we seek to "Lay aside every weight" and proclaim the gospel and that we would seek to build God's kingdom instead of our own.

Welcome to Missions Conference 2021!

For the East White Oak Mission team,
Ron Miller



CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Sunday Speakers

Sunday | November 7 | 9:00 & 10:30
Matt Kent

Sunday | November 14 | 9:00 & 10:30
Jim Boerckel

Sunday | November 21 | 9:00 & 10:30
Robert J. Morgan

Main Events

Saturday | November 6 | 5:30
The Amazing Race of Faith
with Matt Kent

Saturday | November 13 | 8:00
Men's Breakfast with
the Boerckel Brothers

Tuesday | November 16 | 7:00
Ladies' Missions Connection with Jenny
Klouse

Sunday | November 7 | 4:00
Global Worship

Saturday | November 13 | 6:00
Taste of Missions with Jim Boerckel

Saturday | November 20 | 6:30
Coffee Night with Robert J. Morgan

Adult Bible Fellowship

Sunday | November 7 | 9:00
Bagley - 171 (virtual)
Noden - Banquet Room

Sunday | November 14 | 9:00
Dobos - 171
Klouse - Banquet Room

Sunday | November 21 | 9:00
Missions Fair - Family Life Center

Sunday | November 7 | 10:30
Bagley - 171 (virtual)
Noden - Banquet Room

Sunday | November 14 | 10:30
Dobos - 171
Klouse - Banquet Room

Sunday | November 21 | 10:30
Missions Fair - Family Life Center

Youth Events

Sunday | November 7 | 4:00
Global Worship

Sunday | November 21 | 9:00
Missions Fair

Children's Events

Wednesday | November 10 | 6:30
AWANA - Noden

Wednesday | November 17 | 6:30
AWANA - Dobos

Sunday | November 21 | 9:00
Missions Fair

Prayer Meeting

Wednesday | November 17 | 6:30
Jenny Klouse & International Student Ministry



Meet the *SPEAKERS*



Matt Kent

CRU

Matthew Kent is a Field Director with Cru and oversees the care and development of 250 Campus Ministry Staff and Interns on 20 Cru teams in the Mid-Atlantic, Midwest and Mid-South regions. He has been with Cru for 28 years and has served with Cru in central Illinois, Freiburg, Germany, Berlin, Germany, and now lives and works in the Indianapolis area. Married for 25 years, Matt and Michelle have three sons who have somehow ended up working in or with the US military. Aside from the occasional woodworking injury, Matt enjoys building furniture, traveling with Michelle to visit the boys, and getting time outdoors, especially hiking. Matt and Michelle attended East White Oak for 8 years when just starting their family and appreciate the incredible personal connections and ministry partnership they've had since 1994. He is really excited to be invited to be part of the Missions Conference this year!



Jim Boerckel

CTEN (Commission to Every Nation)

Jim & Kathy Boerckel serve in West Michigan with CTEN. They have served in ministry for almost 40 years. They started off in college campus ministry with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship in Peoria, IL where they served for 5 years. They then served for 6 years among refugees in Austria, where they focused on ministry among Iranian people. From there, they served for 8 years in Southern California where they served among Iranian churches. For the past 20 years, they have been serving among refugees, immigrants, and international students in Michigan. They continue to establish and develop ministries, and train others to reach out cross-culturally according to their gifts and personalities.

They are parents of 4 grown sons, have 3 amazing daughters-in-law, and 6 fantastic grandchildren. Jim is Pastor Scott's brother, and Kathy is Carol's sister.



Robert J. Morgan

The Donelson Fellowship

Robert J. Morgan is the teaching pastor of The Donelson Fellowship in Nashville, Tennessee, where he has served for over 40 years. He is a best-selling, gold-Illuminations, and gold-medallion winning writer with more than 35 books in print and approximately 5 million copies in circulation in multiple languages. Rob has appeared on numerous television and radio shows. He speaks widely at churches, conferences, schools, and corporate events. Rob was also a homemaker and a caregiver for his late wife of 43 years, Katrina, who battled multiple sclerosis and passed away in November of 2019. He and Katrina have three daughters and sixteen grandchildren. They are co-owners of Roan Mountain Bed and Breakfast in Roan Mountain, Tennessee. In 2014, Rob was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree from his alma mater, Columbia International University.

MAIN EVENTS



THE AMAZING RACE OF FAITH ***WITH MATT KENT***

Saturday, November 6 at 5:30 ● Gym* **

Are you up for the challenge? Join us for a fun event for all ages where we'll navigate detours and road blocks on the Amazing Race of Faith! Nacho bar and drinks will be provided. At 7:00 PM Matt Kent, missionary with Cru, will share aspects of his "Race of Faith" with us.



GLOBAL WORSHIP

Sunday, November 7 at 4:00 ● Worship Center**

Join us as we lift our hearts and our voices in praise to our glorious King! We'll worship together and celebrate ways that music allows people of every tribe, nation and tongue to worship our creator. All ages are invited!



A TASTE OF MISSIONS ***WITH JIM BOERCKEL***

Saturday, November 13 at 6:00 ● Gym* **

Taste your way around the world with "Food Truck" stations. Join us for Avanti's gondolas plus the chance to taste bite-sized samples of food from different cultures. All ages are invited. We'll also have the chance to hear from Pastor Scott's brother, Jim Boerckel, as he shares about his ministry to Muslims.



COFFEE NIGHT ***WITH ROBERT J. MORGAN***

Saturday, November 20 at 6:30 ● Banquet Room* **

Visit the East White Oak "Coffee House" for a time of fellowship and spend an evening with author & Bible teacher Robert J. Morgan.

MEN'S BREAKFAST ***WITH THE BOERCKEL BROTHERS***

Saturday, November 13 at 8:00 ● Banquet Room

Bring your appetite for the food as well as your spiritual appetite for fellowship and encouragement. Be inspired to live on mission as we hear from the Boerckel Brothers – Scott, Jim & Ritch

LADIES' MISSIONS CONNECTION ***WITH JENNY KLOUSE***

Tuesday, November 16 at 7:00 ● Banquet Room**

Join us for a night of sweet treats and sweet fellowship with one of our East White Oak missionary partners. We'll hear from Jenny Klouse's outreach to college campuses in California.

MISSIONS FAIR

Sunday, November 21 at 9:00 ● Gym

Explore ways you can bring the good news to people in our community and around the world! Check out ways you can partner, pray, give or go with local ministries, short term missions and mission agencies around the world.

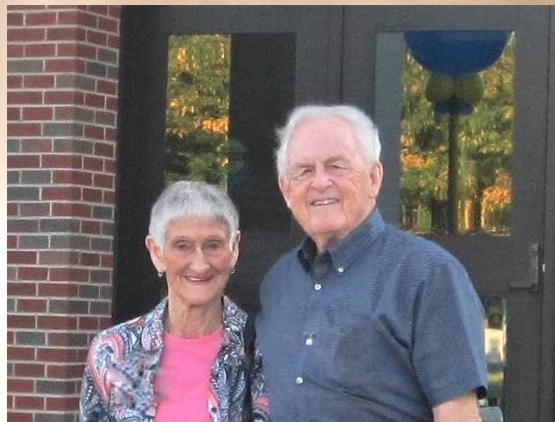
*Nursery & Childcare Provided

**Livestream available for the speaker portion of event

Featured *missionaries*



Bill and Gloria Bagley
RHMA



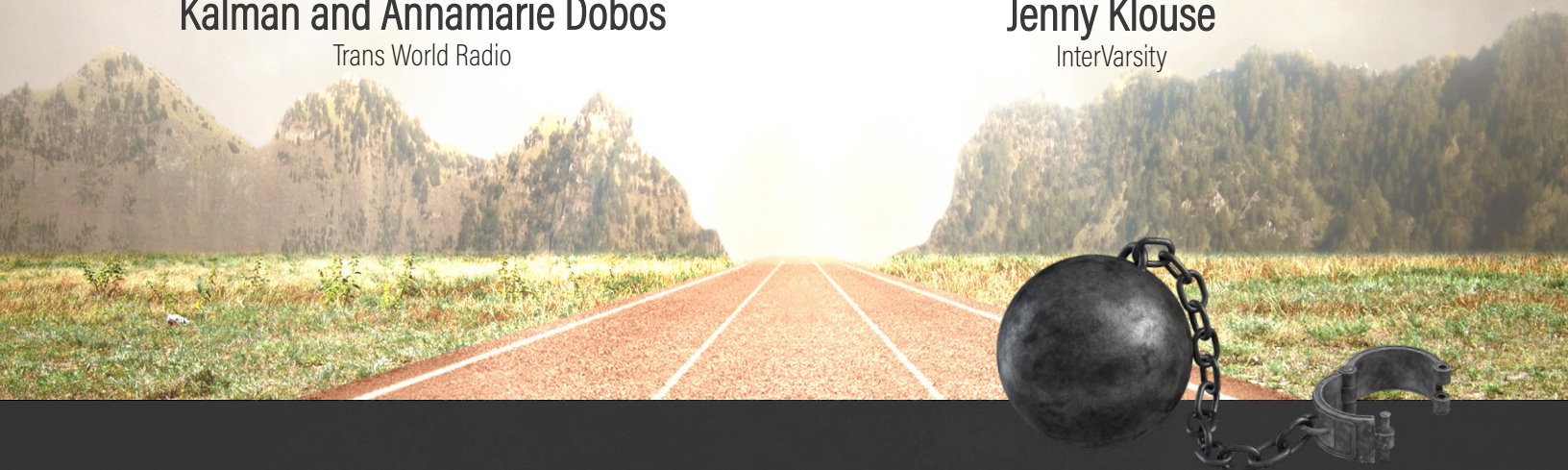
David and Darlene Noden
AIM



Kalman and Annamarie Dobos
Trans World Radio



Jenny Klouse
InterVarsity



OUR MISSIONARIES

Bill & Gloria Bagley

Rural Home Missionary Association
Garden City, UT

John & Linda Berger

International Students, Inc.
Normal, IL

Gary & Cindy Blunier

FamilyLife
Little Rock, AR

Oscar & Ana Maria Campos

SETECA
Guatemala

Sheila Dilworth*

AIM Int'l
Groveland, FL

Kalman & Annamarie Dobos

Trans World Radio
Santa Clarita, CA

Nancy Eldert

Brazil Gospel Fellowship
Winston-Salem, NC

Don & Nancy Estep

AWANA
Decatur, IL

Chuck & Anita Howard*

Reach Beyond
Ecuador

Josh & Amelia Jenkins

His Mansion
New Hampshire

Doug & Sara Johnson

Kids Alive
Guatemala

LeRoy & Barbara Kenney*

Biblical Ministries Worldwide
Mazomanie, WI

Matt & Michelle Kent

CRU
Indianapolis, IN

Jenny Klouse

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
Santa Rosa, CA

Mel & Marian Kunz*

IMI/SOS
Ocala, FL

Mark & Meg Kuzdas

World Outreach
Costa Rica

David & JoAnn Loewen*

SEND
Farmington, MI

Bruce & Cindy Maurer

FamilyLife
Bryant, AR

Steve & Martha McNair

Salem4Youth
Normal, IL

Bill & Debbie Miller

Global Service Network
Argentina

Todd & Hannah Morr

SOMA on The City
LaMesa, CA

David & Darlene Noden*

AIM Int'l
Stillwater, OK

Doug & Lisa Orner

AIM Int'l
Kenya

Gloria Orner*

Africa Inland Mission
Minneola, FL

Lucas & Jamie Orner

InterAct Ministries
Siberia

Steve & Bekah Orner

AIM Int'l
Madagascar

Jim & Paula Roberts

Wycliffe
Duncanville, TX

Dennis & Janet Schlagel

Fellowship of Christian Farmers
Bloomington, IL

John & Pat Sharp

Ethnos360
West Melbourne, FL

Jim & Susan Simmons

AIM Int'l
Tanzania

Laurie Soliday

CRU
Germany

Josh & Rachael Weakly

The Navigators
Bloomington, IN

Josh & Katie Yates

SonLife Ministries
Tigard, OR

Dwight & Phyllis Zimmerman

Cedine
Spring City, TN

Eunice Zimmerman*

Avant Ministries
Kansas City, MO

Supported Agencies

Calvary Evangelistic Mission
Child Evangelism Fellowship
Cornerstone Christian Academy
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Home Sweet Home Mission
Interim Ministries
Lake Waubesa Bible Camp
Ministry & More
Nassa Theological College
Pregnancy Resource Center
Rural Home Missionary Association
Salvation Army-Safe Harbor
Spread Truth Ministries
Tanzania Children's Rescue Center
Young Life - McLean County

Due to the sensitive location of certain ministry partners, we do not post their names or locations.
Please remember them as well.

*Retired

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and sin which clings so closely,
and let us run with endurance
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