

ALUMNI FOOTPRINTS

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LAUDATE HOMESCHOOL ORCHESTRA JOHN FINNEY, FOUNDER/ DIRECTOR



John and Jennifer (Hoen) Finney live in Windsor, Connecticut. Jennifer homeschools their four girls; John is Director of Worship at Grace Church in West Hartford. They maintain a piano studio in their home and John directs the Laudate Homeschool Orchestra that serves homeschool families. In December, the group performed two concerts. Their website is lorchestra.org.

ALUMNI DAY 2017

CONGRATULATIONS!

Save the Date:



EVENT SCHEDULE

- 8:30 - 9:15 Country Breakfast
- 10:00 - 12.30 Business Meeting/Praise Service
- 12:30 - 1:30 Indoor Picnic
- 2:00 - ??? Basketball Game - Stiffs vs Stars -
Want to be on a team? Contact David Withrow, Jr at 502-727-6242 or dwithrowjr@gmail.com. Team members get a free t-shirt.

2016/17 PROJECT

HENRIETTA GRIFFITH SCHOLARSHIP KMBC TEACHER FOR 61 YEARS



Miss Griffith taught the majority of KMBC's alumni. Many remember the anointed class periods, chapel messages and many other ministries she carried out so faithfully with her God-given gifts. In November, Henrietta turned 93, still a blessing on the campus and in the surrounding area.

Goal - \$12,000

Funds in as of December 31, 2016 - \$2,125.00

Make checks payable to: KMBC Alumni Project

Send to: Kentucky Mountain Bible College
855, Hwy 541
Jackson, KY 41339

REUNION CLASSES

1937, 1942, 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, 2012, 2017



Mike (Scott) Roorbach '69 was elected to a four-year term as County Councilman in Grant county, IN November 8. Mike brings a strong Christian ethic to the political field. He has also served on the Marion, IN School Board and City Counsel. Above picture of

Mike and Ben Carson was taken at a conservative political rally in SC in February. The Lord miraculously healed Mike of brain cancer 13 years ago.

Clark Vandegraft '92-'94 recently completed requirements at Methodist School of Nursing in Marquette, IL to become a registered nurse. He is employed at OSF Health Care Systems.

Rev. Dr. John Wesley '95 and Virginia Gakwaya '99/01 were elected to receive the Distinguished Service Award for 2016 from the Ohio Conference of the Free Methodist Church. Following John's 12 hour pancreatic surgery in August, he was given 24 hours to live. Following several miracles from the Lord, John's health is returning. He spent 121 days in the hospital, living in a coma for several weeks. John

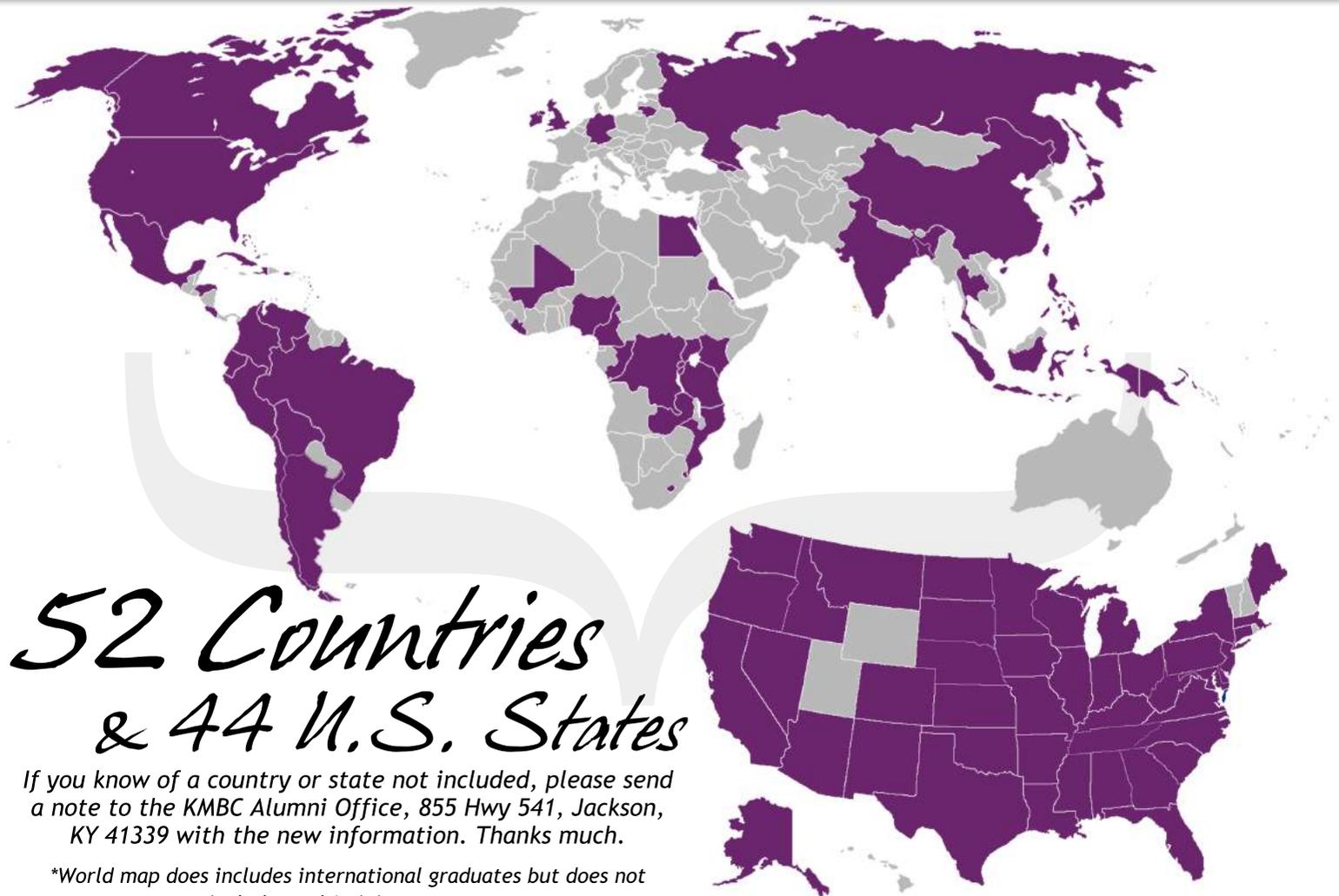


came home from the hospital in December and is taking intensive therapy. He is now able to walk some by himself. The tumor was not malignant. The award was presented to John and Virginia while he was still in the hospital. His first Sunday out was Christmas day when the family went to church. Jim '57 and Martha (Fruth '58) Kirkpatrick were invited to speak at the celebration service. Pastor John had been appointed as coordinator in charge of gathering Free Methodist immigrants coming from east Africa to the the U.S. into groups. They are then disciplined and presented to various church conferences in the areas where they are found. John has been pastor of the Free Methodist Church in Huber Heights, OH.



Dan Speas '13 completed requirements for his M.Div. from Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA on Dec. 16.

HOW FAR HAS OUR KMBI/KMBC FAMILY SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS OF FULL SALVATION?

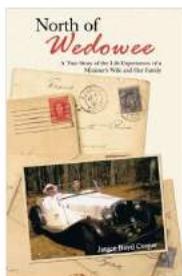


*52 Countries
& 44 U.S. States*

If you know of a country or state not included, please send a note to the KMBC Alumni Office, 855 Hwy 541, Jackson, KY 41339 with the new information. Thanks much.

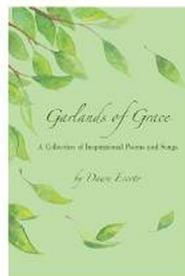
**World map does include international graduates but does not include work/ministry teams.*

NEW BOOKS



Janice Cospers in Wedowee, AL, has written a book titled, *North of Wedowee*, telling how her and Benny's '69 move to KMBI in 1963 held many challenges,

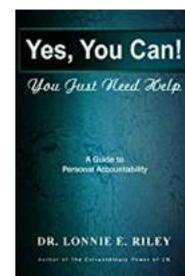
yet proved to be the foundation for their lives and ministry. In retirement, Benny helps in their home church, New Home in Wedowee and fills in for pastors in United Methodist churches in the area. You may order the book for \$12 by calling Janice at 256-363-2476.



Dawn Escoto '67 has published a book of poems and songs titled, *Garlands of Grace*. She spent 39 years in the classroom including three in Kasempa, Zambia, the rest in

Christian and public schools in MI. She taught French, Spanish, English, Bible, and a survey of multiple languages and has participated in 15 short-term mission trips teaching ESL or Bible. You may order Zonda's book by phone:

248-449-1335 or dawnjour@sbcglobal.net



Dr. Lonnie Riley '82 has written several books, one of which is titled, *Yes You Can, You Just Need Help*. He motivates you to build lasting accountability

relationships. Check out this and his other books at Freedom Ministries, Int., Freedom Place Press, Myrtle Beach, SC. Dr. Lonnie, in ministry for 40 years, is also a speaker and musician.

Scan the code to purchase on Amazon:



NURSERY

Will Joshua, third son of Brent and Carly Cooper '05-'11 was born August 8th.

A second son, Miles Reid was born to Anna (Marshall'04/'08) and Dema Kohen September 19.

Josiah James was born to Josh '99-'00 and TJ Marshall October 3. Josiah has a big sister.

Jonah Glen was born to Jeff '00 and Melissa Snyder November 7.



Bear Jennings, son of David '16 and Tori, was born prematurely on August 6 at only 25 weeks weighing 1 pound 15 ounces. He measured 13.8 inches long. As of Nov. 22, he is comfortably snuggled in at his home in Somerset KY. Praise God for His

ministries to the whole family during Bear's extended stay in a Lexington hospital. David pastors the Church of the Nazarene in Somerset, KY .

Elizabeth was born on November 29 to Travis and Katrina Johnson '15.

IN HEAVEN

Bertha Patrick '53 Patton passed away last fall. Among her survivors is a sister, Retha (Patrick '57) Moran. Before retirement, Bertha had been a school teacher.

Rita (Schell '78-'80) Boggs, wife of Joel Boggs '79 went to heaven October 18. Her brother, Jack Schell '80 survives her, also a sister, Renee Mercer '80/'81. Joel continues to live in Fairbanks, AK where he and Rita made their home.

Virgilene (Purchase '57) Campbell went to be with the Lord November 10. Among survivors are her husband Lloyd, four children, and brother Richard '58/'59. The Campbells were in evangelism ministries.

Doris Warren '47 passed away November 17. Among survivors are a niece, Brenda, nephew Warren. Doris was a career missionary with Evangelistic Faith Mission.

Donald Davis, husband of (Miriam Collins '57/'58) Davis went to heaven December 12. Don was a retired Methodist minister and 4th grade teacher. Besides Miriam, five sons and several grandchildren survive. Miriam lives in Gloucester, VA.

Amy (Huston '89) Light went to heaven December 13 after several years of struggle with cancer. She enjoyed teaching at Gateway Elementary School in Conneaut, OH and helping in her church. Survivors include her husband, Craig '89, in-laws - Laura (Light '82) Vaca, Tim '81, Daniel '84 and Lenae (Light '86/'87) Williams, several nieces and nephews.

DID YOU KNOW?



Since retiring, Aaron '64 and Kathy (Anderson '65) Rummage are now serving in pastoral care and as counseling pastor at New Life Wesleyan Church in LaPlata, MD.

Mike Pounds '67 has been in full-time ministry to the addicted poor for 49 years (as of November '16). Mike is now the founder of Restore, homes for men just out of jail and in addiction recovery. This ministry opened their 5th home in August. Randy, a graduate of the program, is Program Director. Mike reports that they have now opened two homes for women and children.

In retirement, Terry '69 and Karen '70 Duncan are involved with World Gospel Mission's International Ministries Team, helping train new missionaries headed all over the world. The Duncans are also in charge of ministries to WGM's retirees (over 120). Terry and Karen have also developed the Missionary Emeritus Program with over 30 retirees who volunteer their experience and wisdom for one to twelve months on some field. Their home is in Plant City, FL.

After retiring from teaching school in New York City, Marcia (Smith '78) Riffkin enjoyed a lengthy time of travel to various parts of the world. She is now settled in her new home in the Virgin Islands.

Mike and Cheryl (Andrus) Jack '88 have moved to Nashville, TN where Mike is an Airport Supervisor.

Chris Lewis '96 is the Physical Education/Health teacher at Grove City Christian School in OH. He earned Impact USA volleyball certification, CPR/first aid certification and coaches basketball and volleyball. He also teaches Driver's Education. He is Activities Supervisor and has many other ministries. He and Melody live in Grove City.

Jeff Snyder '00 is Worship Leader at the Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church in Johnson City, TN. He is also an agent at Farmer's Mutual Insurance Company. He previously enjoyed singing with The Greenes and the Bowling Family.

Shushan Richardson '10/'11 was recently reassigned from the country of Georgia to Lithuania where she is tutoring ESL, teaching a speech communication course and the Gospel of Mark.

Stacy Windi '16 is an assistant in an ACE school in Lae, Papua New Guinea where her mother, Lilian '01/'02 also works. Her father, Philip '02 has opportunities for lay ministries.