

In July, **Mary Mikhael**, author of the 2009-2010 Horizons Bible Study, **Joshua, A Journey of Faith**, spoke to groups gathered at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Wichita, and First Presbyterian Church, Newton. Ms. Mikhael, who is President of the Near East School of Theology in Beirut, Lebanon, spoke about her book and about events occurring in the Middle East. Pictured above are Anna Fralick, Covenant Presbyterian Church and Mary Mikhael, along with Mary Ediger and Pastor Jim Anderson of First Presbyterian Church, Newton.



On The Wind

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Thoughts From Our General Presbyter

New Lay Leadership Academy

A new Lay Leadership program will begin for the Presbytery this fall. This program is designed to meet the requirements for those who wish to become qualified for Commissioned Lay Pastor and those who want to further their education for leadership in the church. It will contain courses that may be taken on-line through Dubuque Theological Seminary and courses that may be taken locally and taught by Pastors and other leaders within the Presbytery.

An introduction to this program will be held on Sat., September 26th, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Presbyterian Center, 3521 W. 21st Street North, in Wichita. This introductory time will give an overview of the complete program for CLP training, as well as, an overview of the Lay Education program. Two classes will be offered this fall. A class on Reformed Worship & Sacraments and a class on The Psalms & Spiritual Discipline.

For more information and a brochure, just call the Presbytery office or ask your Pastor.

Don Owens

Youth Directors.....Don Owens highly recommends:

National Youth Workers Convention 2009 www.nywc.com
9/24-9/28/09 – Los Angeles, CA
10/29-11/2/09 – Cincinnati, OH
11/19-11/23/09 – Atlanta, GA

“Meeting Moses” in Garden City, KS

Presbyterian Church “VBS Mornings for Pre-Schoolers” June 2009



Mary Buchele
(Christian Education Director) and a friend design a banner while others explore the sands of the “Nile River.”

Upcoming Events

Sept 15, 2009
Gaither Vocal Band
Kansas State Fair
www.kansasstatefair.com

Sept 25-Oct 2
World Mission Challenge 2009
Rev Mary Nebelisick

Oct 18-20, 2009
"Oasis" Christian Education Event
Excelsior Springs, MO
www.pbysk.org

Nov 2-6, 2009
The Art of Transitional Ministry (MALT)
Synods of Mid-America & Lincoln Trails
Mercy Center, St. Louis, MO
www.synodma.org

Nov 10, 2009
Presbytery of Southern Kansas
Meeting - Pratt Presbyterian Church

Jan 11-15, 2010
Ks Pastors & Educators Seminar
Cross Wind Conference Center
Hesston, KS www.pbysk.org

October 20 and 25, 2009

**First Presbyterian Church
Freeport, KS** will celebrate
the church's 125th Anniversary
beginning with a concert on
Sunday, October 20, 2009,
3:00 p.m. at the church.



On October 25, 2009, the anniversary events continue with morning worship service at 11:00 a.m., covered dish dinner following worship, and a special celebration service in the afternoon.



Back row L-R: Kristi (from FPC Dallas), Dakota Larkin (A), Miarra West (A), Cayla Bromlow (W), Nick Lockyear (W), Chlesea Smith (W), Halee Broadhurst (W), Paula Steinbacher (W).
Front row L-R: Kadon Hodson (A), Laura Hodson (A) Abby Arie (A) Sarah Scruggs (A), Tiffany Moser (A), Addie Steinbacher (W).
(A=Arkansas City W=Winfield)

The youth of First Presbyterian Church, Winfield, and First Presbyterian Church, Arkansas City journeyed on their mission trip to **The Stewpot** in Dallas, TX. They spent time working with under-privileged and homeless children, helping serve meals at the homeless shelter, and visiting a women's violence center and a Presbyterian nursing home. An excerpt of the newsletter article written by the Winfield youth is as follows: "All of these things have made us realize all the hurt in our own country. It's filled us up with love toward people we used to think of as untouchable and has opened our eyes to God's love working in our lives."