



NEWS OF SOUTHERN OFFICERS AND LAY PERSONNEL SERVING AROUND THE WORLD

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TOO OLD

She's too old was the recommendation to the board reviewing responses from applicants who wished to help get The Salvation Army recommenced and officially recognized in Russia, in the early 1990's. Esther Washburn was a school teacher with international experience, teaching first with the Armed Forces in Germany and later, at the urging of then Col. Paul Rader, in Seoul, S. Korea at the International Christian School. She entered training from Alexandria, Louisiana Corps where her parents were the Corps Officers at the time. Commissioned in 1942 as part of the Steadfast Session, she served as an Officer for more than 20 years, primarily as an assistant corps officer and later in divisional youth work in several divisions. Her first appointment had been to Anniston, Alabama.

In the mid 60's, when her parents retired and moved to Port Huron, Michigan to live with their son, Leroy and his family, she left the Army to be with them and finish her degree for teaching. She continued to be a loyal Salvationist. She also had another brother named Wycliffe who lived in Bradenton, Florida and eventually she moved to Lakeland and became a faithful soldier there.

Commissioner Fred Ruth, who was a participant in the efforts to re-open the Army in Russia, was sitting at the table where the board was reviewing applications and, hearing the words that she was too old, became quite indignant and knowing Esther and her qualifications and the needs to be addressed in getting things started, stated his feelings and that he highly recommended that reconsideration be given. Esther was accepted at 72 years of age and she gave 3 years of valuable service on the staff of the training school in Russia.

In these days, it is hard to believe that age was a factor in accepting someone for service, but there might be someone who reads this who may be tempted to think you are too old. Hopefully Esther's story will be of encouragement to you. Your mission field might be just around the corner... where God can use your talents and gifts.

In 2003, Esther married retired Brigadier Luther Smith, who had long been retired but continued serving in Birmingham, Alabama. His wife, Jewel, had died the previous year. Esther and Luther had known each other many years; she was the Smith's corps assistant in Macon, Georgia, at one point. Brigadier Smith was Promoted to Glory in 2011, and Esther returned to Lakeland where she continues to actively serve and played in the band until just recently. She lives alone and still does her own cooking. She gave up driving last year but has a friend who takes her grocery shopping and to corps activities. I caught up with her as she was preparing a Home League program about her international doll collection.

June 18th, Esther will turn 99 and we would like to encourage you to send her a card. These can be sent to the Lakeland Corps.

Addressed to:
Esther Washburn Smith
The Salvation Army
P.O. Box 928
Lakeland, FL 33802-0928

SAVE THE DATE - TUESDAY, AUGUST 13TH
Annual International Service Fellowship Breakfast
Lake Junaluska, NC (during Bible Conference)
with Captains Mike & Cathy Michels, serving in the Caribbean



MISSIONARY TRIVIA

Esther was the first to serve in Russia from the South. Can you name any of those who have served since?

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** After you pray, why not drop the person, or persons, prayed for a line; or send an email of encouragement and blessing. (Most are on Facebook)  
Please share with others these needs as your prayers do make the difference.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**LT. COLONELS KELLY & DONNA IGLEHEART – SOUTH AFRICA:** Chief Secretary and Territorial Secretary for Women’s Ministries. Pray for all the Officers and soldiers, as well as the Cadets. The Territory is moving towards self-reliance. [Kelly\\_Igleheart@SAF.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Kelly_Igleheart@SAF.salvationarmy.org)

**CAPTAINS OLIVER & CATHY MICHELS – CARIBBEAN:** PR and Development Secretary with additional responsibilities as IT Consultant and Secretary for Spiritual Life Development, League of Mercy Secretary and Retired Officers. Concern because of a breakout of Dengue Fever. Remember not only their daughter Cami (15), who is with them, but also James (university student) and eldest son Lee, married to Ashlyn. [Mike\\_michels@car.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Mike_michels@car.salvationarmy.org)

**MAJOR HOLLY NEEDHAM – UK:** Corps Officer in Dundee. Pray for the fundraising efforts to build a new corps hall on the current site and for Holly’s ministry with all of the corps folks. [Holly.needham@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:Holly.needham@salvationarmy.org.uk)

**CAPTAINS ASHISH & SANDRA PAWAR – AUSTRALIA:** Multi Cultural Plant Officers for the Blacktown Corps in the Australia Eastern Territory. Pray for them as they build relationships in the community and plant a new church. Also, don’t forget their daughters, Priya Grace (7) and Alina Rose (5) as she begins kindergarten. [sandrapawar@yahoo.com](mailto:sandrapawar@yahoo.com)

**MAJORS KEN & NEVA PHIOUTHONG – RECENTLY RETURNED FROM THAILAND:** Doors are beginning to open to establish the work and registration application was submitted to recognize The Salvation Army in Thailand. Pray that this will happen soon. Remember Neva and Ken as they are caring for Christopher, their son, in Nashville. Pray for continual healing. Remember Neville - (18, as he enters college here in the U.S this spring. [nevaphi@yahoo.com](mailto:nevaphi@yahoo.com)

**CAPTAINS ROBERT & GLENIS VIERA – UNITED ARAB EMIRATES:** Corps Officers to the UAE Corps, as well as, Assistant Regional Officers for the Middle East Region. Pray that the Holy Spirit will direct and guide them in new ministry opportunities and that there be unity. Also pray for their daughters Alana (8) and Leyla (7). [Vierarobert32@gmail.com](mailto:Vierarobert32@gmail.com)

**CAPTAINS CHRISTOPHER & JESSICA WELCH – ITALY & GREECE:** Corps Officers of the Torre Pellice Corps, Italy and with added responsibility as youth coordinators for the Command. Pray for the youth and this important ministry. Remember their sons, Raphaël Zane - 2 and Liam Matteo - 4. [christopherwelch@esercitodellasalvezza.org](mailto:christopherwelch@esercitodellasalvezza.org)

**MAJORS BOBBY & ANNE WESTMORELAND – DENMARK & GREENLAND TERRITORY:** Chief Secretary and Territorial Secretary for Women’s Ministries. Pray that things will continue to go well for them, and Major Bobby especially in learning the language. Pray for the THQ Staff. [westmor@icloud.com](mailto:westmor@icloud.com)

**MAJORS DIETER & BARBARA ZIMMERER – SPAIN:** Corps Officers of the Denia Corps and Directors of Camp Saron Conference Center. Each month they have had volunteers through a program called “workaway”, which has helped tremendously. Bookings for summer 2019 and 2020 are looking good, but more are needed in the off seasons. This is an answer to prayer for their financial situation and physical demands of their appointment! Remember their daughter Christiana (19) . [dieterzimmerer@hotmail.com](mailto:dieterzimmerer@hotmail.com)

We would like to recommend also that you pray, from time to time, for those other who are serving out of the Territory; not on “foreign” service, but sometimes may feel like it!

Majors Rick & Janeen McConnel (USA Central)  
Colonels Ken & Paula Johnson (USA East)  
Majors Daniel & Sarah Choi (USA East)  
Captains Mark & Sherry Czanderna (USA West)

(National Headquarters)  
Lt. Colonels Dean & Pam Hinson  
Lt. Colonels Ward & Michele Matthews  
Lt. Colonels Allen & Esther Satterlee  
Major Jason Swain  
Majors Earl & Janice Fitzgerald (Asbury)  
(Major Earl is in need of prayer as he recovers from a serious illness)

Please share with others these needs as your prayers do make the difference.

“FROM THE MISSIONARY BOOK SHELF”

“Acts Of The Apostles”, Bible book’s best commentary (same title) by G. Campbell Morgan.

THE NEXT ISSUE OF GLOBAL VIEW WILL BE AVAILABLE  
JULY 2019

SPECIAL DATES COMING UP  
(Birthdays unless otherwise noted)

APRIL

- 9 Major Holly Needham  
UNITED KINGDOM
- 14 Liam Matteo Welch  
ITALY (5 years)
- 21 Lt. Colonel Allan Satterlee  
NHQ
- 23 Major Bobby Westmoreland  
DENMARK
- 30 Lt. Colonel Donna Igleheart  
SOUTH AFRICA
- 30 Captain Jessica Welch  
ITALY

MAY

- 30 Captains Chris & Jessica Welch  
ITALY (10th Anniversary)
- 31 Lt. Colonels Dean & Pam Hinson  
NHQ (Anniversary)

JUNE

- 3 Rafaël Zane Welch  
ITALY (3 years)
- 4 Captain Cathy Michels  
CARIBBEAN
- 5 Captains Mark & Sherry Czanderna  
USA WEST (Anniversary)
- 20 Lt. Cols. Kelly & Donna Igleheart  
SOUTH AFRICA (38th Anniversary)
- 28 Majors Dieter & Barbara Zimmerer  
SPAIN (34th Anniversary)

JULY

- 22 Captain Chris Welch  
ITALY
- 25 Major Earl Fitzgerald  
NHQ (Asbury)
- 28 Major Anne Westmoreland  
DENMARK
- 28 Lt. Colonel Pam Hinson  
NHQ
- 28 Neville Phiouthong  
(19)
- 30 Christina Zimmerer  
SPAIN (20)

*“As the Father has sent me,  
so I send you.”*

*John 20:21*

ANSWER TO TRIVIA QUESTION



- 1992- Lt. Cols. James & Lillian Jay
- 1995 - Major Diane Johnson
- 1995 - Captain Evelyn Thornhill
- 1997 - Envoy Carol Hylton
- 2001 - Majors Brad & Anita Caldwell
- 2004 - Captain Maureen Diffley
- 2007 - Majors Vic & Ellen Tidman
- 2010 - Colonels Ken & Paula Johnson
- 2011 - Lt. Cols. Gary & Suzanne Haupt