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"The world is my parish"

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**"Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to Your Name be the Glory." (Psalm 115:1)**  
(A picture's worth a thousand words.)



**Ken Wales**, producer of the movie *Amazing Grace*, with "William Wilberforce" during a scripted interview at CASA's annual *Heritage of Faithfulness* awards presentation in Irvine, CA.



**Pat Boone & Roger** on TBN's *Praise the Lord* set in Costa Mesa, following an interview about Roger's drama ministry. Pat is on the Board of Reference for *The Friends of John Wesley & St. Patrick*.



**Eric Heckman**, Military Community Youth Ministry director in Garmisch, Germany, and **St. Patrick**, following a performance of *The Confession* behind the Army chapel in the Bavarian Alps.



**Jim & Barbara Meredith** at the Army chapel in Stuttgart, Germany, **Col Meredith** (ret. USA), interim European director of MCYM, set up Roger's July tour of Army bases in Germany. **Thank you, Jim!**



Seeing double? **NO**. **BJ Johnston** of Jackson, MS, also performs *The Man From Aldersgate* by permission of *The Friends of John Wesley*. BJ and Roger have been friends for 31 years.



**Bethany** of Fox River Valley UMC's confirmation class showed up at *Grace UMC*, Naperville, IL, during Roger's 30th Anniversary tour in the Chicago area last January.



**Brian Hershey**, MCYM director, Naples, Italy, at the annual MCYM retreat in Wildberg, Germany. Roger coached Brian during a rehearsal of his dramatic presentation of *Philippians 1*.



Roger with an *M47 Combat Tank* at the Army base in Schweinfurt. The M47 was a forerunner to the *M60 Main Battle Tank*, on which Roger was a crew member during his OCS training at Ft. Knox, KY.



Dear Friend,

Praise God for an awesome first 7 months of 2008! The photos in this issue reflect some of the things that God has been up to in our ministry. Yep, I wouldn't want to attempt it without YOU lifting me up in prayer. Thank you very much!

My 30th Anniversary tours were big highlights this year with performances of *TMFA* at the **Chicago Temple** and the historic **Christ Church in Savannah, GA**, where **John Wesley** served as rector for his only two years in America. Another marvelous tour came just before I left for **Germany**, to **St. Peter's Episcopal in Lake Mary, FL**, where I did both plays and enjoyed rich fellowship. In July, it was off to **Germany**, for a tour of US Army bases plus an unplanned performance in **Switzerland**. It was arranged by my friends **Ueli & Maja Frey-Baumann**. I had a great time with their kids, bicycling and swimming most every day during my stay in their beautiful home in **Buchs (near Zurich)**. My itinerary:

**JULY**

- 10 US Army base, Schweinfurt, **Germany**
- 11 US Army base, Schweinfurt, **Germany** (St. Patrick)
- 13 US Army base, Stuttgart, **Germany** (St. Patrick)
- 18 **Military Community Youth Ministries**, Wildberg, **Germany**
- 19 MCYM, Wildberg, **Germany** (St. Patrick)
- 20 MCYM, Wildberg, **Germany** (Wilberforce)
- 26 US Army base, Garmisch, **Germany**
- 27 US Army base, Garmisch, **Germany** (St. Patrick) (AM)

**AUGUST**

- 2 Aarau Methodist Church, Aarau, **Switzerland**

Serving as interim **European Director** for **MCYM**, retired Army Colonel **Jim Meredith** set up my tour of the US Army bases and **MCYM** staff retreat. He and his wife **Barbara** also set up two performances in **Athens, Greece**, during my 1982 world tour. In addition to performing at the retreat, I was blessed by the P&W sessions and Jim's dynamic messages. It was such an honor to spend time with the many dedicated youth workers and their young families from military bases all over **Europe**: Turkey, Italy, Czech Republic, Belgium, & Germany. My soul was restored.

In closing, I once again ask you to prayerfully consider becoming a member of my regular financial support team. Unfortunately, we had to release our Event Coordinator in April, due to lack of funds. With rising costs and a decrease in bookings this fall, I need about 10 more people to step in and help me out. Will you be one of them?

Shalom in the Hebrew name of our Lord, **Hamashiach Yeshua**,

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- ★ **URGENT!** More bookings for 2008 (several more coming in for 2009).
- ★ Ten more good people to join TFOJW financial support team.
- ★ **TOTAL HEALING** for **Jane Rumph** (breast cancer) and also for **Kathy Ehlers** (abdominal cancer), who is now in a critical phase.
- ★ **The Five S's:** Safe travel, Stamina, Solid relationships, Sterling performances, & Souls.

**2008-2009 Itinerary (as of 9-3-08)**

(All bookings for TMFA unless otherwise specified)

**2008**

**September**

- 14 South Pasadena UMC, South Pasadena, CA (AM)

**October**

- 11 Bethany Church, Sierra Madre, CA
- 24 Kingdom Come, Sacramento Methodist Assembly, Sacramento, NM

**November**

- 13 CASA Leadership Conference, Costa Mesa, CA (Wilberforce)

**2009**

**February**

- 21 Air Force Village West, Riverside, CA

**March**

- 15 The LifeHouse Theater, Redlands, CA (St. Patrick)
- 27 Bellevue UMC, Nashville, TN

**April**

- 19 First UMC, Oklahoma City, OK (AM)

**May**

- 1 Hope Ridge UMC, Mentor, OH



**Dr. Mel Cheatham** interviews **William Wilberforce** at **Palm Desert Community Presbyterian Church**. Dr. Cheatham, a retired neurosurgeon, serves as a board member for both the **Billy Graham Evangelistic Assn.** and **Samaritan's Purse**. He is also on the Board of Reference for **TFOJW**.

**PTL for these UNSOLICITED MESSAGES in 2008!**

"What a privilege it is to encounter an actor who can do what very few are able to: completely inhabit a character and become that person. *I feel that I, like many who have seen you perform, have met the man John Wesley.* Thank you for embodying the spirit, mind, heart and soul of a great man. It takes a great actor to do that. What a very thoughtful and thorough rendering of character, physicality, everything ... so much subtlety and detail in your work ... not to mention everything Wesley said came through with clarity, precision, depth and good humor. Keep up the wonderful work."

**Actor Grant Goodeve: *Eight Is Enough, Northern Exposure***

"*You gave us a living portrait of a man we yearn to know better* in a way that made his words and passionate faith as inspiring and vital as when they were first written down. The love of God and of Jesus Christ shone through your performance." **Mary Henderson, Chicago, IL**

*The Man From Aldersgate* was a very moving and educational experience. *Even my 12-year-old son said it was 'awesome.'* Although fatigued from a hectic day, he never once closed his eyes." **Cheryl Ameiss, Naperville, IL**

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[Includes the Video Discussion Guide plus 6 bonus feature tracks (36 min)]

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[Includes the Video Discussion Guide]
- The Confession of St. Patrick** (42 min.) \$15.00

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