



RESURRECTION JOY!

Celebrating the joy of the risen Lord is fuel for our souls every day of every year. Check out the painting above. Isn't it exquisite? The talented Secretary of EDUF (Education Development United Foundation), Beth Restrict, created it just for this newsletter, as a special thanks to people interested in our mission - *"Equipping Christ-like leaders in Africa"*.



My husband, Jon, and I served for years as Nazarene missionaries in Eurasia and then in southern Africa in theological education and coordination of Jesus Film teams. Right away we learned *"You can leave Africa but Africa will never leave you!"* Our first visionary missionary leader there was Dr. Ken Walker. When he moved from Africa, Africa didn't leave him! In 2006, he started a 501c3 called Education Development United Foundation to keep on ministering there. Recently he retired from the presidency of EDUF. Dr. Randy Craker and I were elected to lead EDUF -- with a new team of officers that are pictured to the left.



The Main Reason For This Letter
is to share different ways that YOU may CONNECT with people and projects in Africa.



Our website EDUF.org, includes a bit of our history, bios of board members, past and present project descriptions and newsletters, instructions for making donations by check or online and a window to "Education Development United Foundation" Facebook Page on which we post frequent news.



Originally EDUF had meetings in which members gathered physically but that modality was curbed during the pandemic so we created new ways for you to connect to our mission in Africa as a Prayer-er, a Volunteer, a Donor or a Trustee. Please keep reading to find out more. I'm grateful for your attention.

Thanks and blessings to you, Margaret Scott

Officers Photos: Beth Restrict, Randy James, Margaret Scott, Randy & Robbie Craker, Pat Crane, Lauralee Nothstine

CONNECTING TO EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT UNITED FOUNDATION

EDUF (Education Development United Foundation) is a Stateside, volunteer-based, non-profit that resources education by active communication with leaders in Africa and by raising awareness of their needs. EDUF is also a network of people who want to know more about Africa and who support the mission to resource education through the core activities.

CORE ACTIVITIES of EDUF

Connection - Creative Academics - Funding-the-Mission - Library Development
- Project Teams - Prayer

HOW DO YOU WISH TO CONNECT TO EDUF?

Which role best fits you?

- **Pray-ers** commit to pray on a regular basis for the concerns communicated by EDUF
- **Volunteers** help with a specific project or activities of EDUF
- **Donors** give monetarily to EDUF on a regular basis
- **Trustees** elected members of the board of governance of EDUF

Would you choose to sign on as a "friend" or a "member"?

Friends of EDUF agree with the objectives and mission of EDUF, choose a role for action and then complete the Application for Connection on the next page.

Members of EDUF agree with the objectives and mission of EDUF and are in good standing as defined by these qualifications:

1. Completion of the Application for Membership (the next two pages) indicating
 - a. Agreement with the Apostles' Creed
 - b. Desire to assist EDUF in its mission by choosing a role for action
 - c. Recommendation by an active member of EDUF
2. Approval by the board of Trustees
3. Demonstration of active engagement in EDUF in activities, campaigns and projects
4. Attendance at the Annual Meeting of EDUF which may be conducted as an in-person event or digital event at which reports will be given and elections of officers held by. Elections of officers may be held by write-in ballot, which must be received by the secretary 24 hours prior to the commencement of the meeting.

AFTER COMPLETING THE NEXT PAGE(S) PLEASE SEND THE APPLICATION TO
Rev. Pat Crane, 1016 4th Ave. SW, Puyallup, WA, 98371

OR SCAN THE COMPLETED PAGE(S) AND EMAIL TO Admin@eduf.org

APPLICATION FOR CONNECTION TO EDUF

To be completed by applicants choosing to be "friends" and to be "members"

Name (please print)

Address

Phone _____ **Email address** _____

Home Church

Which role(s) do you choose? (You may check more than one)

Pray-er **Donor** **Volunteer** **Trustee (Membership required)**

Which means of communication do you prefer for connecting with others in EDUF?

Phone call **Text** **Email** **Any of the three**

Please tell us how you became interested in EDUF and any past connection you have with Africa.

Signature

Date

For individuals choosing to be "friends", send this page to

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RETURN BY EMAIL TO Admin@eduf.org

To apply to be a "member", please continue on to the next page.

APPLICATION FOR EDUF MEMBERSHIP

To be completed by individuals who want to be "members"

1. I have indicated my desire to assist EDUF in its mission and I chose my role(s) for action by completing the first page of this application.

2. RECOMMENDATION BY AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF EDUF.

Please share with the Board of Trustees the name and contact information for the EDUF member who knows you and will recommend you.

2. AGREEMENT WITH THE APOSTLES' CREED

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried
He descended to the dead
On the third day He rose again
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father
He will come again to judge the living and the dead*

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

SIGNING BELOW ATTESTS TO MY AGREEMENT WITH THE APOSTLES' CREED

Signature of applicant

Date

AFTER COMPLETING THE TWO PAGES OF THE APPLICATION MAIL TO
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Equipping Christ-like pastors is the number one priority in Africa.
Churches in Africa continue to expand rapidly but the training of leaders
for them has not kept pace with the growth.

Why does EDUF exist? *striving to make a significance difference, EDUF works alongside national leaders to equip Christlike leaders in Africa.*

MORE ABOUT THE CORE ACTIVITIES of EDUF

Connection: ways to join us are as a Pray-er, a Volunteer, a Donor or a Trustee.

Creative Academics: on-line teaching and consulting currently; traveling when possible

Library Development: currently strategizing e-book libraries for student pastors on digital devices with solar chargers.

Project Teams: past teams have worked on building projects at college campuses and churches laying foundations, making bricks, painting, repairing roofs, and other tasks, held services, visited agricultural project sites, orphanages and other mission centers.

Prayer: underlies everything, educational concerns are presented to pray for learners, leaders and institutions in Africa through our Facebook page and newsletters

Funding-the-Mission: donations may be made electronically from our website EDUF.org or by mailing a paper check to our treasurer:

Mrs. Lauralee Nothstine, 2411 Wildflower Cove, Mishawaka, IN 46545

EDUF to Date God has blessed EDUF with donations from many people. From January 2007 to date, EDUF has paid out more than \$407,900 in grants and scholarships.

Top Needs Cited By African Leaders	Current EDUF Projects <i>For more info on any of these items, contact us at Admin@EDUF.org.</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> properly prepared pastoral trainers 	Scholarships at SANU (Southern Africa Nazarene University, TNU (Trevecca Nazarene University), NNU (Northwest Nazarene University)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> quality educational materials 	E-Readers with solar charges for 50 student preachers \$150 each
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> adequate infrastructures 	Planning a Project Team or two in 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sustainable economic development. 	Recruit volunteers to teach and equip entrepreneurs

REFLECTING ON OUR BENT-DOWN JESUS

By Dr. Randy Craker

My recent preaching has been based on the title of a book by Mike Lodahl, When Love Bends Down. In his gospel, John reminds us that Jesus was willing to bend down, taking on flesh and blood, moving into the neighborhood, and tenting among us for a time. ***Now is the time to let our hearts and minds dwell on what it means for Jesus to empty Himself and come among us.***

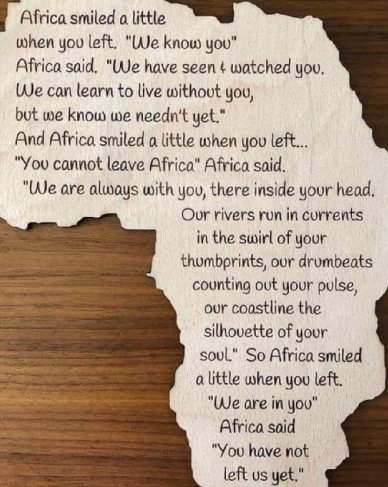
A bent-down Jesus wrote in the dirt, stooping to the same level of the humiliated woman accused of adultery. He heard what she heard, cries for her to be stoned. He stood and invited those without sin to throw the first stone and then he bent down again. When everyone had left, and they were alone, he looked into her fear-filled eyes and she looked into his love-filled eyes. She heard his words, "I do not condemn you." She also heard his invitation to leave the pathway of sin. ***Now is the time to reflect on how we can be people of loving grace and mercy to the fear-filled people around us.***

I spoke with missionary speaker, Hugh Friberg, years ago: "I want to take my church to Africa, where should we go?" Without hesitation he said, "Mozambique." The country was coming out of over two decades of war and unrest and was not attracting Work & Witness teams. The Church of the Nazarene there had been given two blocks of property. The plan was to build a school to train pastors. Teams were needed to build. We went to begin building.

Realizing a lifelong dream of going to Africa, I soaked in every moment thinking this would be my one and only time to visit. God had different plans, and now, after a dozen trips, the love for the people of Mozambique remains deep in my heart. My engagement in EDUF comes from an ongoing commitment to do all I can to help spread the good news in Africa. ***Now is the time to think back to what caught our attention, enflamed our passion for engagement, and ask again, "Lord what can I be doing for the advancement of your Kingdom?"***

I see the bent-down Jesus again. He's washing feet. May our hearts be open to reflect on the humility of our bent-down Lord. Then, with renewed hearts let Him say to us again, "Follow me".

Who knows - He might lead you, too, to help spread the good news in Africa.



Africa smiled a little when you left. "We know you" Africa said. "We have seen & watched you. We can learn to live without you, but we know we needn't yet." And Africa smiled a little when you left... "You cannot leave Africa" Africa said. "We are always with you, there inside your head. Our rivers run in currents in the swirl of your thumbprints, our drumbeats counting out your pulse, our coastline the silhouette of your soul." So Africa smiled a little when you left. "We are in you" Africa said "You have not left us yet."

