

# FAITH and social justice conference

Hosted by:  
REDEEMER UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

January 19, 2008  
10 am - 5 pm  
Registration at 9 am

## Speaker/Workshop Information

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#### Plenaries

##### Dirk Booy ~ Executive Vice President, World Vision

Dirk Booy was appointed Executive Vice President for World Vision Canada's head office in Mississauga in 2006. Previously, he was the Vice President of International & Canadian Programs, which he had held since 2002. Prior to this, Dirk worked for more than 20 years in Africa, most recently as national director of World Vision in Tanzania where he supervised a national community development-based response to HIV/AIDS with a focus on orphans and vulnerable children. Dirk has extensive experience as a consultant and a trainer/facilitator in community and organizational development.

Dirk is a Canadian and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Economics from Calvin College and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Guelph in Rural Planning and Development.

##### Brian Walsh ~ Campus Minister (University of Toronto) and Professor of Theology (Wycliffe College)

##### Sylvia Keesmaat ~ Professor of Biblical Studies (The Institute of Christian Studies)

Brian Walsh serves as a Christian Reformed campus minister at the University of Toronto and as Adjunct Professor of Theology of Culture at Wycliffe College.

Dr. Sylvia C. Keesmaat is Adjunct Professor of Biblical Studies at the Institute for Christian Studies. She is the co-author, with Brian Walsh, of *Colossians Remixed: Subverting the Empire*.

#### Workshops

##### Panel Discussion: Incarnational Living

Heard of or read "Irresistible Revolution"? Ever wondered what it means to live out radical love in your neighbourhood? Meet and ask questions of people passionately living out the Revolution.

##### Panel Discussion: Impact of Missions Abroad

Considering missions work? Ever wonder what it's like to live, work and do ministry in another country? Come and discuss with a panel of short-term missionaries about their experiences and the impacts of missions trips.

##### Todd Bender ~ City Kidz Ministries, Hamilton

##### Kidz, Social Justice and Christianity

Todd will discuss how City Kidz programs implement social justice in the community using Christian principals.

##### Dirk Booy ~ Executive VP, World Vision

##### IDP Camps

An inside look at the conditions of Internally Displaced Peoples Camps. See the resources used by World Vision in the camps.

##### HIV/AIDS

A real life look at AIDS in Africa.

##### Sue Carr ~ Chaplain, Missions Services, Hamilton

##### Faces of Poverty

The Poor: Who are they, how do they get there; the stories behind the faces. A mission trip on your own doorstep.

*More Workshops on back...*

#### Workshops... can't

##### Sylvia Keesmaat ~ Professor of Biblical Studies (The Institute of Christian Studies)

##### Strange Neighbours and Risky Care: Globalization and the Bible

Does a book written in an agrarian context and in a world without the internet have anything to say to a cybernetically connected global economy? Hope so! Bring your Bible.

##### Mark Sinke ~ SIM (Serving in Mission), First CRC, Hamilton

##### Developing Communities in North India and the Gospel

A look at how the gospel could and does affect communities in the context of caste system, religious tension, gender discrimination and poverty.

##### Brian Walsh ~ Campus Minister (University of Toronto) and Professor of Theology (Wycliffe College)

##### Beyond Homelessness

Why is there a rise in homelessness on our streets? What are the economic, cultural and spiritual causes of homelessness and how does a kingdom vision of the world address this crisis?

#### Registration Information:

Registration Forms found at:

[www.redeemer.ca/students](http://www.redeemer.ca/students)

Price:

Redeemer Students = \$10

Other Students = \$25

Non-Students = \$40

Deadline:

January 10, 2008

(Forms and cheques)

For more information, please e-mail

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