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ASBURY
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MARCH 5-MARCH 9

WEEK SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MARCH 5

Chapel — 10am, Hughes

Dr. Jerry Walls,

“A Defense of the War in Iraq”

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

Art Gallery Exhibition — 7:30-9, Kinlaw

Sandra Martens,

“Wholly Family, Holy Ground”

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

Chapel — 10am, Hughes

Dr. Chuck Gutenson,

“The War in Iraq: A Pacifist Inquiry”

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

Coffeehouse — 7:30-9:30, Cafeteria

Panel Discussion,

“Questions and Answers on Iraq”

FRIDAY, MARCH 9

Chapel — 10am, Hughes

Omar Al-Rikabi,

“Redeeming ADAM: Stories of growing up Arab-American in a time of War”

ABOUT OUR SPEAKERS

Lt. Kevin Dean '92 is a Church of the Nazarene ordained elder and a U.S. Navy Reservist. He served 14 years as a combatant Religious Program Specialist and three years as a non-combatant Chaplain. He is the Battalion Chaplain for the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 24 with whom he deployed in 2005 to Iraq's Al Anbar province in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. As a third-generation military service-member, Dean is intimately familiar with the challenges and struggles of military personnel and their families. He is especially sensitive to the moral dilemmas Christians face serving in uniform. Dean holds a B.A. in Christian ministries from Asbury College and his M.Div. from Asbury Theological Seminary. He also works full-time as the research administrator for the College of Health Sciences at the University of Kentucky. He and his wife, Janet, have two children, Jonathan and Rowan.

Omar Hamid Al-Rikabi will complete his M.Div. at Asbury Theological Seminary in May and is a candidate for ordination in the United Methodist Church. A Texas native, Al-Rikabi was raised by a Christian mother from the United States and a Muslim father from Iraq. Today, he endeavors to be a voice for understanding, repentance, reconciliation and peace with the Middle East by calling the Church to respond to the Arab world in a Biblical way. Al-Rikabi is writing a collection of stories and observations of growing up as an Arab-American in the heart of the Bible Belt in his blog: firstbornson.blogspot.com. He is married to Jennifer, who is also a student at ATS.

Dr. Jerry L. Walls is a professor of philosophy at Asbury Theological Seminary, where he has taught since 1987. Walls holds his Ph.D. in philosophy from Notre Dame and other degrees from Houghton College, Princeton Seminary and Yale Divinity School. He is a senior speaking fellow for the Morris

Institute for Human Values and a member of the Dulles Colloquium of the Institute for Religion and Public Life. Among his books are Hell: The Logic of Damnation; Heaven: The Logic of Eternal Joy; Why I am Not a Calvinist; The Chronicles of Narnia and Philosophy; Basketball and Philosophy: Thinking outside the Paint; and The Oxford Handbook of Eschatology. Walls is the father of Angela Rose'03 and Jonathan Levi '07.

Dr. Charles E. Gutenson is an assistant professor of philosophical theology and associate dean of distributed learning in the School of Theology at Asbury Theological Seminary. He holds his Ph.D. from Southern Methodist University, M.Div. from ATS, and B.S.E.E. from the University of Kentucky. He studied for a term at the University of Munich under renowned theologian Professor Wolfhart Pannenberg and has since focused his dissertation and numerous essays on Pannenberg's theology. His scholarly articles range from "What Swinburne Should Have Concluded," to "Can Belief in God be Basic? A Pannenbergian Perspective on Plantinga and Basic Beliefs." Dr. Gutenson is a member of the International Society of Theta Phi, an honor society for theological students, scholars in the field of religion and outstanding religious leaders. Before pursuing his theological training, Dr. Gutenson spent 15 years in private industry as an engineer, president and chief operating officer. He and his wife, Bobbie, have a daughter, Sara.

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