

“The brochure for the 2010 workcamps has arrived!” In a National Youth Conference year, most workcamps offered are for junior high youth, but there are still options for senior high youth, including an ***intergenerational workcamp*** co-led by On Earth Peace and ‘We Are Able’ and co-sponsored by Caring Ministries. In addition, a young adult workcamp in Haiti is scheduled for the end of May. Registration opens January 25 at 7 p.m. Central Time. For more information or request a brochure, go to www.brethren.org/workcamps or contact cobworkcamps@brethren.org or 800-323-8039 ext. 286. As soon as we receive a copy of the brochure, it will be placed on the bulletin board in the east alcove of the sanctuary.

Church of the Brethren general secretary Stan Noffsinger was one of more than 40 American faith leaders to sign a letter calling for Congress to do everything in its power to close the ***Guantanamo Bay detention facility***. The letter sponsored by the National Religious Campaign Against Torture (NRCAT) states, "Guantanamo is the symbol of our country's violation of our deepest values. Regardless of how it is operated now compared to how it was operated in earlier years, it stands, in the minds of hundreds of millions of people in our nation and around the globe, as a place where America broke faith with itself and used torture as an interrogation technique."

Manchester College and Parkview Health Systems have announced a collaboration on the college's new School of Pharmacy campus in central Fort Wayne, Indiana. In 2012 the college will assume the Fort Wayne Cardiology building, according to a release from the college. The release added that Manchester will now focus on hiring a dean for the new campus, carrying out the extensive pre-accreditation process for a School of Pharmacy, and raising \$10 million in start-up costs. Manchester expects to enroll 265 students into the School of Pharmacy, with 30 faculty and 10 staff members.

-- In more news from Manchester, the leader of the college's environmental studies, Jerry Sweeten, will be honored in Washington, D.C., as the 2009 Indiana Professor of the Year on November 19. Sweeten and his family attend the North Manchester Church of the Brethren. He is among 38 state winners being honored, along with the 2009 US Professor of the Year. The award is given by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. Sweeten is the second member of the Manchester College faculty to receive the award; art professor emeritus James R.C. Adams was the 2002 US Professor of the Year.

SERRV is announcing new markdowns of more than 150 items from its Fall/Winter Catalog, "just in time for holiday shopping!" The announcement