

# October 2009 News

Mission Indy Inc.  
57 N. Rural Street  
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## Sep 19<sup>th</sup> Service Day

Groups from Kingsway Christian Church, Wilkinson Church of Christ and Clinton 1<sup>st</sup> UMC joined MI for a day of service.



Several of the members of the Week # 4 group from Clinton came back to finish the house painting they started in late July.



Kingsway CC worked on an Englewood Community Development Corporation demolition project. Here the guys are removing an old brick chimney.



Many trips were made to the dumpster!

Wilkinson Church of Christ went to the Mapleton-Fall Creek area and worked on a house for Rose Gordon, an 80-year-young senior!



Rose is an amazing person who is a great example of perseverance and determination. She has taught herself to do most any home repair job there is. She may be the first person Ron has found who works more than he does! She has worked hard on her house for so many years and done such a great job of keeping up the property. She inspired the group from West Towne CC this summer as we painted her house. Now she continues to inspire all who have the chance to meet her. It is MI's privilege to be able to help Ms. Gordon. Please join us in praying for her and her role in the neighborhood.



Currently the group is removing a ceiling that had water damage, so the plumbing can be repaired and new drywall put on the ceiling.



The group worked hard and lunch time was welcome!

## Saturday Service Day Help Needed

Mission Indy desires to do a better job with our Saturday Service Days and we need your help! Our goal is to develop a pool of some of you from various churches who are interested and available for perhaps one Saturday per school year.

MI would schedule a short training time that you could attend and learn what a Site Leader entails and how easy it can be. Please call Ron at 423-3505 or 538-9565 (cell)

Pray for this new effort!

**From the Director - Many of you may be interested...**

## **Through the Consuming Fire:**

**ECONOMIC FAITHFULNESS  
IN AN AGE OF CONSUMERISM**

Consumerism is one of the greatest challenges facing the church in North America today. Ultimately, consumerism is a form of self-indulgence that does great harm to our brothers and sisters around the world and indeed to all of Creation. At the Through the Consuming Fire conference, we will explore what economic faithfulness would look like – particularly as shaped by denying ourselves, taking up our cross and following Jesus. Specifically, we will examine three themes that when taken together will give us a good start on the journey toward economic faithfulness: community, contentment and creativity. In community, we learn to prefer others to ourselves, to bear one another's burdens and to be a local culture with its own economy. In contentment, we learn to trust in God's super-abundant provision and to find joy in what we have and thus we nurture gratitude, and become able to resist consumerism's constant longing for more. In creativity, we learn to become producers instead of consumers, to fix and re-use things instead of disposing of them, to find ways of celebrating that revel in the gifts of persons, rather than in those of stuff. With an eye toward the coming Advent season, and beyond, let's gather to discuss these things that we might grow in the economic faithfulness and freedom to which we have been called through the death and resurrection of Jesus.

### **Main Speakers:**

Shane Claiborne – Author of *The Irresistible Revolution*

Will Samson – Author of *Enough: Contentment in an Age of Excess*

Kelly Johnson – Author of *Fear of Beggars: Stewardship and Poverty in Christian Ethics*

**[www.englewoodcc.com/consumingfire/](http://www.englewoodcc.com/consumingfire/)**

**Friday Nov. 13 and Saturday Nov. 14**

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**[Registration on line or print off the form from the above site.](#)**

Registration includes 5 meals & materials.  
Regular: \$75/person (on/before Oct 1) \$100/person (after Oct 1)  
Student: \$65/person (on/before Oct 1) \$90/person (after Oct 1)