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## **Spring Semester Begins with Annual Missions Conference**

**CEDARVILLE, OHIO** – More than 50 missions agencies and organizations and 85 mission representatives will participate in Cedarville University's annual Missions Conference January 10-12. The three-day event will be held in the university's Dixon Ministry Center.

Through the annual conference, missionaries, missions speakers and representatives will challenge the University's student body with the needs of the world. A goal of the conference is to expose students to the many cultures and people groups still needing a clear presentation of the Gospel.

The conference will feature well-known author and public relations consultant Johnnie Moore, Word of Life Bible Institute's (WOLBI) Vice President of International and Local Church Ministries, Kris Stout, and Cedarville University's retired Hall of Fame basketball coach, Don Callan.

Stout will kick off speaking duties with a message at 10 a.m. in Cedarville's Jeremiah Chapel, and will present again during the evening session at 7 p.m. A graduate of WOLBI, Stout began the Institute's ministry in France along with his wife in 1999, where he served for ten years before returning stateside to run WOLBI's International Division. Stout currently oversees more than 1100 missionaries in over 60 countries.

Moore will speak in the 10 a.m. chapel on Wednesday, Jan. 11, and again in the evening at 7 p.m. Moore is the founder of The KAIROS Company, a boutique publicity and marketing agency, and has run public and media relations across multiple sectors including higher education, entertainment, business and politics. He has worked with every major print, digital and broadcast outlet in North America, and has also worked extensively in the Middle East on a number of humanitarian projects. Moore has authored several books, including "Defying ISIS: Preserving Christianity in the Place of Its Birth and in Your Own Backyard."

Callan will conclude the Missions Conference with his morning chapel message on Jan. 12. When Callan retired as the Yellow Jacket men's basketball head coach in 1995, after serving in that capacity for 35 years, he was the third-winningest active coach in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

In addition to being a charter member of Cedarville's Athletic Hall of Fame, Callan was also inducted into the Ohio Basketball, NAIA, NCCAA, and Taylor University Halls of Fame. He now remains active in sports ministry and provides analysis on the Yellow Jacket video stream broadcasts.

Main speaker sessions will be streamed live online at [facebook.com/Cedarville](https://facebook.com/Cedarville) or [cedar.to/chapellive](https://cedar.to/chapellive), and the conference is free to attend.

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 3,760 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 100 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings, and leading student satisfaction ratings. For more information about the University, visit [www.cedarville.edu](http://www.cedarville.edu).