

The Morning Star

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Madeline Barot (1909-1995)

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In Sep 1939, during the first week of WWII, the Alsatian theologian, Suzanne Diétrich, then head of the World Student Christian Federation, spoke to a meeting of the Christian youth movements in France. She said it was inconceivable that youth movements would remain preoccupied with themselves during this time of suffering in

Europe. Rather, they should seek to serve the most unfortunate and witness to the love of Christ among them.

At that meeting were members of the French Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, the YMCA and YWCA, and the student Christian Movement. Christian youth groups were—and still are—a big deal in France. Well-organized, well-attended, shaped by passionate conversation about Christian witness, vocation, theology and ethics. The young people who gathered that September started an international umbrella organization to unite youth movements to help refugees and evacuees of WWII. CIMADE: Comité inter-mouvements auprès des évacués. It is still active today.

Madeline Barot, who had just returned to France from Rome, was appointed secretary general of the nascent CIMADE. Like Diétrich, she had been a leader in the French student Christian movement, having been shaped by her own high school and university youth groups in Versailles and Paris. She devoted her intelligence and energy to coordinating the help to victims of Nazism and the church's theological response to it. In 1941 with Visser't Hooft, she initiated the meeting of 14 French Pastors and theologians who wrote the Thèses de Pomeyrol, which declared the resistance of the French Reformed Church to Nazism. After the liberation Barot was in charge of detainees suspected of collaboration. And after the war she held many

ecumenical positions devoted to peace and justice. The commitment of CIMADE was fidelity to Jesus Christ, solidarity with the marginalized through whom Jesus Christ is present and ecumenical solidarity with those who organize themselves to work for justice. During WWII solidarity meant to be physically present with those imprisoned by Hitler.

In Sep 1940, CIMADE and the 31-year-old Barot became involved in the concentration camp in Gurs in southern France. There about 40,000 foreigners and Jews were imprisoned under the Vichy regime. How to get into the camps? Imprisoned Jewish women were giving birth in the camp. Barot presented herself at the gate carrying a package of bedding for the newborn infants. The camp was ill-prepared to help new mothers, so the guards let her enter. Together, with a colleague, she visited the camp every day, each time on a different pretext. After a month she received permission from the commander of Gurs to open a CIMADE branch in the barrack. Barot took up residence in the camp and began to hold worship services. This was the pattern she used to gain admission to other camps and install a CIMADE team.

Barot continued to live in the Gurs camp and worked to obtain the release of prisoners. She succeeded in having children and elderly transferred to facilities she opened under CIMADE in the town of Le Chambon. Beginning in 1942, through an underground network she was able to get some of the detainees into Switzerland. Barot's courageous activities are through to have saved hundreds of Jews. On Mar 28, 1988 the Yad Vashem recognized Madeline Barot as Righteous among the nations. Hers is a story of a half century of Christian commitment, courageous witness and energetic action at the heart of the ecumenical movement. It is also the story of the power and potential of youth groups: to shape the hearts and intellects of young people around the living Christ and to spur them to seek not their own goals but Christ through their neighbor.

From the Registrar's Office:

- For students looking to stretch those dollars there are a couple of programs offered by the UTSU that can help. These are available to any student in a conjoint program (awarded by both Wycliffe and U of T), and range from discounted tickets for AGO, Ripley's Aquarium, Absolute Comedy, Cineplex to Printing and Photocopying. See <https://www.utsu.ca/services/> for a full list of what's on offer. For students with families you can sign up to newsletter from the Family Care Office by sending an email to fami-ly.care@utoronto.ca and include your full name and U of T affiliation.
- There is also a Food Bank at the U of T located at the U of T Multi-Faith Centre, 569 Spadina. The site is wheelchair accessible and operates on Fridays from 12-3pm, although you need to collect a ticket as early as 9:00 am to secure the time you can collect the food. Please take your own bags. For more information contact UTSU.

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Nov 1: Andy Witt
"Kindness"

Nov 22: Judy Paulsen
"Gentleness"

Nov 8: Thomas Power
"Generosity"

Nov 29: Peter Robinson
"Self-Control"

THE VISIBLE SHAPE OF
CHRIST'S LIFE IN US

Nov 15: Ephraim Radner
"Faithfulness"

Dec 6: David Kupp
"God and Evil"
(Mt 7:17-19)



Student Council Movie Night

Martin Scorsese's
Silence (2016)

Warning: Rated R for Violence

Friday, Nov 2, 7-10pm

\$5 for Pizza & Popcorn

Wycliffe Writing Series

Oct 31, 1:45-3:15

*Preparing for
Work & Ministry*

Register with Rachel Lott at
rlott@wycliffe.utoronto.ca

Saturday, November 3, from 9:00a-5:00p

Keynote Speaker: Annette Ford, "You Are Not Alone: Foundational Partnerships that Strengthen Children and Family Ministry"

Workshop Tracks: Theological and Biblical Foundations; Building Children's Ministry; Culture and Impact; Special Needs; Evangelism and Missions; Curriculum and Developmental Theory; Family Ministry; Paid Staff

General Admission: \$40

Student Admission: \$25

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This Wednesday

3:00 Sadlier Lecture: Bishop Mwita Akiri (Diocese of Tarime, Tanzania)

"The Prosperity Gospel: Its Concise Theology, Challenges and Opportunities"

4:45 EUCHARIST (homilist: +Mwita Akiri)

6:00 COMMUNITY DINNER



Mark Your Calendar!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30 Morning Prayer: James Sholl	31 3:00 Wed. Event: Sadlier Lecture: +Mwita Akiri 4:45 Eucharist: +Mwita Akiri 6:00 Community Dinner	NOV 1 Morning Prayer: Andrew Witt Evening Prayer: Glen Taylor	2 <i>Student Council Movie Night: "Silence"</i>	3 <i>Children's Ministry Conference</i>
4	5	6 Morning Prayer: Robb Sykes	7 3:00 Wed. Event: Aaron Smith & Allison DeFoor 4:45 Eucharist: Allison DeFoor 6:00 Community Dinner	8 Morning Prayer: Tom Power Evening Prayer: Glen Taylor	9	10 <i>St. Mike's Convocation</i>
11	12	13 Morning Prayer: Ben Tshin	14 3:00 Event: +Nigel Shaw 4:45 Eucharist: Esther Acolatse 6:00 Community Dinner	15 Morning Prayer: Ephraim Radner Evening Prayer: Glen Taylor	16 <i>IBR Conference (Denver) AAR/SBL (Denver)</i>	17 <i>IBR Conference (Denver) AAR/SBL (Denver)</i>
18 <i>AAR/SBL (Denver)</i>	19 <i>AAR/SBL (Denver)</i>	20 Morning Prayer: Muriel Tse <i>AAR/SBL (Denver)</i>	21 3:00 Event: Integrative Learning Assessment 4:45 Eucharist: Andrew Stuart 6:00 Community Dinner	22 Morning Prayer: Judy Paulsen Evening Prayer: Andrew Shen	23	24 <i>Women's Breakfast</i>

Chapel Service Schedule

	Service	Sacristan	Officiant / Homilist	Readers, Servers, etc.	Greeters
Mon	MP	S. Lawley	E. Radner	B. Jenkins; N. Drenth	B. Tshin
	Taize	Z. Bartkus	A. Brownlee	B. Poole	
Tue	MP	L. Hurst	P. Robinson; J. Sholl	B. Tshin; J. Duerrstein	J. Duerrstein
	Evensong	S. Lawley	E.-R. Teel	A. Tremblett; J. Mangina	A. Tremblett
Wed	MP	B. Poole	+SGWA	N. Drenth; R. Henderson	N. Drenth
	Eucharist	B. Poole	Officiant: +SGWA Homilist: +M. Akiri	C. Curtis; N. Drenth; L. Hurst	C. Curtis
Thu	MP	J. Loe.-Samuels	J. Paulsen; A. Witt	Z. Bartkus	Z. Bartkus
	P&P	Z. Bartkus	R. Bartlett; G. Taylor	R. Bartlett; J. Duerrstein	J. Duerrstein
Fri	MP	J. Loe.-Samuels	A. Brownlee	M. Taylor; R. Bartlett	A. Tremblett
	Inform. EP	Z. Bartkus	L. Hurst	J. Duerrstein; A. Tremblett	J. Duerrstein

CHAPEL SERVICE TIMES

Morning Prayer
Mon-Fri, 8:30a

Wine Before Breakfast
Tue, 7:22a

Taize Evening Prayer
Mon, 5:30p

Sung Evensong
Tue, 5:30p

Community Eucharist
Wed, 4:45p

Prayer & Praise
Thu, 5:00p

Informal Evening Prayer
Fri, 5:30



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