

MEDIA RELEASE

Dr. George O. Wood, general superintendent of The General Council of the Assemblies of God, Springfield, Missouri, will be guest speaker at (place), (address), on (day, date, time), according to the Rev. (name), (position).

A popular speaker and writer, Dr. Wood was elected chief executive officer of the church at the 52nd General Council in August 2007. As general superintendent of the Assemblies of God, USA, part of the largest Pentecostal denomination in the world, he is a member of the denomination's Executive Leadership Team and Executive Presbytery. The church has over 12,900 congregations in the United States with over 3 million members and adherents.

The U.S. Assemblies of God is part of a larger World Assemblies of God Fellowship with a membership of over 67 million. Prior to his present position, Wood served the church as its general secretary for 14 years. He was assistant superintendent of the Southern California District Council from 1988-93. Wood pastored Newport-Mesa Christian Center in Costa Mesa, California, for 17 years. He was elected to serve as chairman of the World Assemblies of God Fellowship at its meeting in Lisbon, Portugal in May, 2008.

The son of missionary parents to China and Tibet, Wood holds a doctoral degree in pastoral theology from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California, and a juris doctorate from Western State University College of Law in Fullerton, California; and is a member of the California Bar and admitted and qualified as attorney and counsellor of the United States Supreme Court. He did his undergraduate work at Evangel University (College) in Springfield, Missouri, and served the college in several capacities, including being director of spiritual life and student life from 1965-71. He was ordained by the Southern Missouri District in 1967.

Dr. Wood is author of a number of books including: *Roadtrip Leadership*, *Core Values*, *Living in the Spirit*, *A Psalm In Your Heart*, *Living Fully*, *The Successful Life*, and a college text on the book of Acts. Sermons by Dr. Wood may be heard at www.georgeowood.com.

Wood and his wife, Jewel, have a daughter and son.