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Support Ministry Leader's Dimensions Program April 5 Among Events During
Awareness Week

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—One of the leaders of a ministry that works to help victims of sex trafficking will help raise awareness of the issue during Dimensions at Gardner-Webb University on April 5. It is one of a variety of activities planned for Human Trafficking Awareness Week, an annual GWU event aimed at spotlighting the topic for the campus and greater communities.

The Dimensions program, which is free, open to the public and begins at 9:25 a.m. in the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center, will feature Mark Northcutt, stewardship director at Wellspring Living in Atlanta, Ga. Through a variety of initiatives for minors and adults, the ministry provides aid to domestic sex trafficking victims and others who are at risk. For more information about the organization, visit wellspringliving.org.

Other campus events during the awareness week include a worship night on the patio behind the Tucker Student Center on April 4 at 8 p.m., a movie night in the Time Warner Cable Theatre in the Tucker Center on April 5 at 9 p.m., and an open mic night on the first floor of the student center on April 7 at 8 p.m.

Gardner-Webb has hosted a number of programs to raise awareness of human trafficking, and the University offers a student club, Release, that works to educate the campus and greater communities about the global issue.

GWU's Dimensions programs aim to enhance the spiritual, intellectual and cultural life at the University and to promote a sense of community. More information is available by calling the GWU Office of Christian Life & Service at 704-406-4277 or visiting gardner-webb.edu.

Auxiliary aids will be made available to persons with disabilities upon request 10 days prior to the event. Please call 704-406-4253 or email servicerequests@gardner-webb.edu.

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leadership, and equipping them for well-rounded lives of lasting impact, Pro Deo et Humanitate (For God and Humanity).