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Emma Sleeth Davis to Discuss Earth Stewardship During Dimensions Program

By Brooke Kelly, Communications Intern

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—Author and environmentalist Emma Sleeth Davis will visit Gardner-Webb on Tuesday, April 7 to share ideas for improving the physical and spiritual world in which the University community lives. She will be the featured speaker during GWU’s weekly Dimensions program at 9:25 a.m. in Stewart Hall of the Tucker Student Center. The event is free and open to the public.

Davis is the author of “It’s Easy Being Green,” a book that explores the theology behind creation care and suggests practical steps people can take to protect the environment in schools, homes and communities.

“When Emma was in middle school, her parents became convicted about their stewardship of God’s creation, so they downsized into a house the size of their previous garage and made dramatic lifestyle changes,” shared Dr. Tracy Jessup, vice president of the GWU Office of Christian Life and Service and senior minister to the University. “Through her writing and speaking ministry, Emma shares the lessons her parents have taught her and lessons she has learned personally about living sustainably as a way of practicing her Christian faith.”

Davis is a graduate of Asbury University in Wilmore, Ky. When not speaking to high school and college students, she researches, writes and designs for Blessed Earth, an educational non-profit organization that inspires and equips people of faith to become better stewards of the earth. The organization bases its work on the biblical mandate to care for God’s creation and the belief that the Bible holds wisdom for today’s world.

For more information about Davis and the Blessed Earth team, visit blessedearth.org.

The goal of Dimensions is to enhance the spiritual, intellectual and cultural life at the University and also to promote a sense of community. More information is available by calling 704-406-4277.

Auxiliary aids will be made available to persons with disabilities upon request 48 hours prior to the event. Please call 704-406-4253 or email

servicerequests@gardner-webb.edu with your request.

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