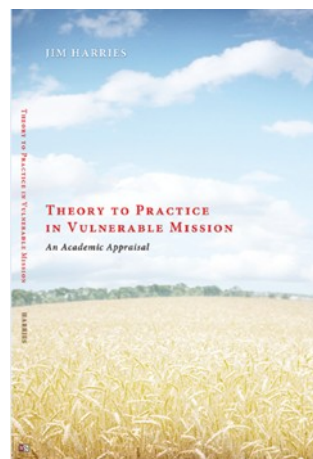


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Welcome to those who have just joined the mailing list for this Bulletin from the University of Birmingham, and from Redcliffe Missionary Training college in the UK.

- **Live-streaming of conference!** You can watch and participate in the vulnerable mission conference to be held in Texas 7th to 10th March 2012 LIVE from your sitting room for a fee of just \$10! [Click here for more information on this and on the US conference.](#) **Places are still available to attend the conferences.** UK conference in Derbyshire 20th to 21st March; details of UK conference [here](#). (For details of speakers and the programme at the US conference, see below.)
- I am very pleased to be able to announce that we now have two ladies who have come on board to assist the AVM administratively. Cathy Randle (cathy@vulnerablemission.org) and Kathleen Weyers (kathleen@vulnerablemission.org) both live in Andover in Hampshire, UK. Cathy is from New Zealand and offering time she has available while also working and rearing her family. Kathleen is a retired school headmistress, with long-term experience of working in the Czech Republic. Both have agreed to help us until the end of May 2012.
- Jim Harries' third book is now available. Click [here](#) to find details of this book entitled 'Theory to Practice in Vulnerable Mission'. A review done by Tim Reeves from Norwich is [here](#). To purchase the book, go here: [purchase information for Jim's latest \(3rd\) book](#). Or order from Veronica at veronica@vulnerablemission.org Here is part of a review by Chris Flanders, Associate Professor of Missions, Abilene Christian University:
"Dependency comes in many shapes and sizes. In this provocative work, Jim Harries deals with them all, . . . not only . . . issues of financial dependency but also those that come in linguistic, communicative, translational, and theological forms. Harries writes with both theological and missiological depth but also great personal wisdom . . . *Theory to Practice in Vulnerable Mission* is a must-read for anyone concerned with empowerment, indigeneity, dependency, and mission."
- This article, entitled: 'The Effect of Language on Economic Behavior: Evidence from Savings Rates, Health Behaviors, and Retirement Assets', considers the impact of the structures of language on economic behaviour. While perhaps falling short of some of the complexity that we deal with in our look at



language in the AVM, it demonstrates that consideration of language determinism is still a hot topic in academia: [Language and economic behaviour.](#)

- Jim Harries has been in the UK since December 2011. Go [here](#) to listen to a message looking at a Biblical case for vulnerable mission that he shared with Norwich Central Baptist Church in January 2012.
- Previous editions of the AVM Bulletin are available [here](#).
- Programme for US conference

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THURSDAY, MARCH 8 (Biblical Studies Bldg. Room #129; Afternoon Campus Center Living Room)

7:45 Registration

8:30 Welcome

9:00 [Dr. Jim Harries](#)-Alliance for Vulnerable Mission (Author of *Vulnerable Mission*)

10:30 [Mary Lederleitner](#)-Wycliffe International (Author of *Cross-Cultural Partnerships*)

1:30 [Dr. Paul Yonggap Jeong](#)-Fuller Theological Seminary (Author of *Mission from a Position of Weakness*)

3:00 [Dr. Woodrow Walton](#)-Shattuck, Oklahoma

7:00 [Jean Johnson](#)-World Mission Associates

FRIDAY, MARCH 9 (Campus Center Living Room)

8:00 [Dr. Stan Nussbaum](#)-Global Mapping International (Author of *Reader's Guide To Transforming Mission*)

9:30 [Dr. Robert Reese](#)-Mid-Atlantic Christian Univ. (Author of *Roots & Remedies: Of the Dependency Syndrome in World Missions*)

11:00 [Barbara Shantz](#)-TWR

1:30 [Ben Runyon](#)-Director of Sustainable Development, Association for Development through Education, Costa Rica

3:00 [Dr. Kent Smith](#)-Abilene Christian Univ.

