1990's
THE ENVIRONMENTAL DECADE

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THE MAN IN THE GRAY SHIRT

"Let's ask the man over there in the gray shirt."

Many of the visitors to Whitman Mission National Historic Site ask staff members who wear gray shirts all kinds of questions, both in the visitor center and out on the park grounds. Some of those people are what the National Park Service call interpreters, some are members of the Whitman Mission maintenance staff. All staff people try their best to answer visitor questions or help in any way they can.

People in gray shirts take the history here, about the Walla Walla Valley, about how to get from here to some place else. They talk to school children, give cultural demonstrations and sell books and postcards. They are qualified to give first aid and help in emergencies.

If you call on the phone, the person who usually answers does not wear a gray shirt, nor does the one who keeps track of the budget, or the curator who catalogs the artifacts. These folks render a vital service to the smooth operation of Whitman Mission.

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# CULTURAL DEMONSTRATIONS

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## YOUR PET IN THE PARK

Pets have traditionally been an important part of American families. It’s hard to argue against a “dog being man’s best friend,” unless of course you’re a cat lover.

Today, pets are allowed in almost all National Park Service areas, but they still must stay on a leash, or be kept in the car. They are not permitted to run loose at any time. Pets are not allowed where they will come in contact with geese, ducks or other wildlife, nor are they permitted in public buildings or at interpretive talks. The parks are not prepared to care for pets, nor are they ready to handle problems or conflicts between pets, visitors and wildlife.

Before your next visit to Whitman Mission, consider your pet’s feelings, and possibly those of other visitors. Decide if your pet will enjoy a visit to the park as much as he might enjoy being left at home with friends. If your pet is not historically minded, she might prefer the shade of her doghouse, and feel more important being the watchman while you are away from home.

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## HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBILITY

Whitman Mission is striving to promote full access to park programs by people with physical and mental disabilities. Our goal at Whitman Mission is...

...To provide the highest level of accessibility possible and feasible for persons with visual, hearing, mobility, and mental impairments, consistent with the obligation to conserve park resources and preserve the quality of the park experience for everyone.

### SERVICES AVAILABLE

#### Mobility

- Wheelchair for loan.

#### Hearing

- Script to 10 minute park orientation program.
- Script to outdoor wayside exhibit recorded messages.

#### Sight

- Large type version of park information brochure.
WHITMAN MISSION BOOKS

TAKE HOME A MEMORY OF WAIILATPU

Marcus and Narcissa Whitman and the opening of Old Oregon
By Drury.
Two volume set, includes personal data on Marcus and
Narcissa from their early years to the journey west &
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Historian. 178 pgs. $7.95

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Narcissa Whitman's journal written on the overland
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Whitman Mission. By Thompson
A history of the Whitman's and
their mission, plus the
present day park
A GPO Book.
92 pgs. $3.00

Stout Hearted Seven By Frazier
True story of the Sagers,
orphaned on the Oregon Trail,
adopted by the Whitmans.
Written for Junior and Senior
High School age. 174 pgs
$3.40

Chief Joseph Country. By
Gulick.
Well illustrated history of
the Nez Perce Indians. Hard­
bound. 316 pgs. $34.95

Whitman Mission National Historic
Site beginners beading kit
Includes instructions and all
materials needed to construct
a simple medallion of traditional
Cayuse design.
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History of the small Cayuse
band which Marcus and Narcissa
Whitman first white
Missionaries settled
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THE MISSION AT WAIILATPU

Waiilatpu, meaning "place of the people of the rye grass" is the site of a mission founded in 1836 among the Cayuse Indians by Marcus and Narcissa Whitman. As emigrants began moving across the continent during the 1840's the mission became an important station on the Oregon Trail.

Interest in the Old Oregon country was stirred in the 1820's by an article in a New York Methodist publication which described the visit to St. Louis by some western Indians seeking teachers and the white man's "Book of heaven" - the Bible. This mostly fictional story stimulated interest in work among the Native Americans in Oregon.

Dr. Marcus and Mrs. Narcissa Whitman along with Rev. Henry Spalding and his wife Eliza and William Gray were selected by the American Board of Foreign Missions to go to the Oregon Country and choose mission sites. They headed westward soon after the Whitmans were married on Feb. 18, 1836.

The journey was a notable one as Narcissa Whitman and Eliza Spalding were the first white women to cross the continent overland. The missionaries light wagon, reduced to a cart, was the first wheeled vehicle to travel as far west as Fort Boise. The party reached the Columbia River on September 1, 1836. After a brief visit at Fort Vancouver, the Hudson's Bay Company headquarters, the men returned up the Columbia to select their mission stations. The women remained temporarily behind as guests of Chief Factor John McLoughlin.

Then, on November 29, 1847, a band of Cayuse attacked the mission and killed Marcus Whitman, his wife, the Sager boys, and nine others. A few survivors escaped, but 50, mostly women and children, were taken captive. Two young girls - Louise Sager and Helen Mar Meek - and a small boy died from the measles. The others were ransomed a month later by Peter Skene Ogden of the Hudson's Bay Company. The killings ended Protestant missions in the Oregon Country and led to war against the Cayuse by settlers from the Willamette and lower Columbia Valleys.

In 1848 Joseph Meek, carrying news of the Tragedy and petitions from the settlers to Congress, reached Washington, D.C. Congress created the Oregon Territory in August of that year, the first formal territorial government west of the Rockies.