

The Whetstone

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Little Lights: Whitney Dumford

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Ellen G. White once espoused, "God tests and proves us by the common occurrences of life. It is the little things which reveal the chapters of the heart."

We have a way of not noticing the little things in life, but it is those ignored minuscule details that make the greater picture magnificent. It is in this vein that the Whetstone sought out one of the small guardians who works in the background unnoticed but wholly effective.

Whitney Dumford is a quiet, beautiful, intelligent young lady who is responsible for the simple yet aesthetically attractive drawings on the student activities board. Her impressionistic doodles bring life to the simple world of "event announcements". Whitney, a freshman at Montreat, has been a frequent attendee of the summer conferences held at the college. She



then fell in love with the enamoring landscape and opted to pursue her tertiary education here.

She loves creating things using different methods and media (take time to check out her Etsy shop if you can). She is inspired by words and daily occurrences, picking up memories and thoughts from the smallest of things. Her favorite professor is the ever-enchanting Lloyd Davis, who she calls the most sarcastic but funniest sage she has ever met. Whitney does a good job of playing out what Christ hopes we become, small lights illuminating in the background (yes it is a Lecrae song). We are not to seek any fame or glory for the things we do, whether great or small. All that is required is our investment in lives, utilizing even the smallest of our gifts. So take some time to stare at those doodles the next time you go by the board in Belk.