

News and Information About Presbyterian Women and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



Sara Cordery Joins the Cloud of Witnesses

Sara B. Cordery, moderator of Presbyterian Women from 1991–1994, died

June 13, 2007 following a lengthy illness. Sara was the first African American woman to be elected moderator of Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and the first African American female to chair the Presbyterian committee on the Self Development of People Committee (1983–1984). Sara graduated from Barber-Scotia College in 1940. She served the college as a member of its faculty, as vice president for Academic Affairs and dean of the School of Business and Management. She was an elder, a commissioner to General Assembly and an author.

Mark Your Calendar

September is

- National Preparedness Month (www.ready.gov)
- National Menopause Awareness Month (www.pcusa.org/nationalhealth)
- September 21 International Day of Peace (www.internationaldayofpeace.org)



October is

- Domestic Violence Awareness Month (www.ncadv.org)
- National Breast Cancer Awareness Month (www.pcusa.org/nationalhealth)
- October 2–7 World Mission '07 (www.pcusa.org/missioncelebration)
- October 24 Take Back Your Time Day (www.timeday.org)
- October 25–28 National Presbyterians for Restoring Creation Eco-Justice Conference (www.prcweb.org)

Peacemaking Offering

World Communion Sunday



"And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations" (Revelation 22:2)

Peacemaking Offering

This year's Peacemaking Offering theme is taken from a verse in *Revelation* that is part of a section in which John describes the new Jerusalem. One of the images John uses is the tree of life, with its twelve kinds of fruit produced every month and leaves to be used for the healing of all nations. It is an image of a world at peace, with enough for everyone to eat and the "medicine" to heal all the wounds and illnesses of humankind.

We live in the hope of that vision of peace expressed so vividly in the tree of life. The Peacemaking Offering is a tool of our efforts to live and work within that hope. You are invited to be a part of the work for peace in our world and to have your congregation receive the Peacemaking Offering as one way to work toward peace. Most churches receive the Offering on World Communion Sunday, the first Sunday in October. This year that falls on October 7. You are encouraged to use whatever Sunday works best for you. To learn more visit www.pcusa.org/peacemakingoffering.

Earth Sabbath Earth Justice

Protecting God's Gifts of Food and Fuel

2007 National Eco-Justice Conference of
Presbyterians for Restoring Creation



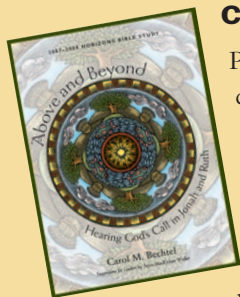
Mo-Ranch Presbyterian Center
Hunt, TX
October 25-28, 2007

Eco-Justice Conference

Join with people of faith across the nation and from all walks of life—pastors, educators, students, lay leaders, activists and scientists—for this national eco-justice conference of Presbyterians for Restoring Creation. Through worship, workshops, plenaries, reflection groups, field trips and world-renowned speakers Karl Rabago, Anna Lappe, and Catherine Keller, participants will explore the themes of just and sustainable food and energy sources for all of God's creation in a time of global climate change.

The event takes place in Hunt, Texas, October 25–28. Conference sponsors include Texas Interfaith Power and Light, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presbyterian Hunger Program, Jubilee USA Network and Eco-Justice Team of the Presbytery of the Cascades. For more information, visit www.prcweb.org.

Correction



Please note the following correction to the 2007–2008 *Horizons* Bible study, *Above and Beyond: Hearing God's Call in Jonah and Ruth*. On page 45, under the heading

“Inform,” the first sentence should read, “Ask a participant to read aloud the summary of Lesson Six (p. 34), followed by the summary of Lesson Seven (p. 40).”

New DVD!

Becoming the Beloved Community: People of Faith Working Together to Eradicate Racism is a new Presbyterian Women (PW) audiovisual resource to help strengthen PW's commitment to creating a beloved community among us and beyond. The DVD features a circle of eight PW sisters telling, with frankness and conviction, their experiences of racism and their commitment to creating God's beloved community. Divided into four 15-minute segments and accompanied by a helpful study guide, this DVD is an excellent resource that promises to encourage meaningful dialogue on this important topic. To order call Presbyterian Distribution Service (PDS) at 800/524-2612 or visit www.pcusa.org/marketplace; item PWR-06-120; \$20, plus shipping and handling.

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Goodbye and Thank You, Leah!

Leah Ellison Bradley, senior associate editor for Presbyterian Women, has accepted a call as director of alum and church relations at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Leah was part of the staff of Presbyterian Women and *Horizons* for nine years, and her creativity, dedication and energy shaped much of the content of *Horizons* in the past few years. Presbyterian Women wishes her the best in her new position at her alma mater!