



Presbyterian Communicators' Network

a multi-directional exchange of information, ideas and stories

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Greetings Communicators,



219TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY (2010) 
TWIN CITIES AREA | MINNEAPOLIS

Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water." - John 7:38

June is here and with it come thoughts of our upcoming General Assembly meeting in Minneapolis, July 3-10. In preparation for GA, Stated Clerk Gradye Parsons offers [seven hopes he has for the meeting](#). I find these inspiring and think you will, as well.

You can help Presbyterians keep up to date with assembly activity. All kinds of information about the assembly and a live stream of plenary sessions may be found on the [219th General Assembly website](#). Business before the assembly can be tracked at [PC-Biz](#).

Independence Day falls during our assembly and there will be a special picnic to celebrate the holiday the evening of the Fourth on an island in the Mississippi River. I invite any members of the Presbyterian Communicator's Network attending the assembly to gather together at the picnic for a time to enjoy one another's company. Look for the PCN banner. I look forward to greeting you there.

Blessings,
Karen Schmidt
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[New mission co-worker commissioning](#)



Hunter Farrell

“World Mission new co-workers and long term volunteers appointed in 2009 and 2010 will be acknowledged at a commissioning service that will take place during the General Assembly meeting in Minneapolis on July 8th,” stated Nancy Cavalcante, Mission Services Recruitment Coordinator. The General Assembly voted to increase the number of mission co-workers in 2008. Total personnel engaged in World Mission currently exceeds 200 serving in approximately 50 countries. “We estimate that, given adequate funding, we would seek to recruit 70 new mission co-workers in response to the requests of global partners and in fulfillment of our strategic plan,” stated Hunter Farrell, Director of Presbyterian World Mission. “At any given time, we have more than 100 people “in process” applying for mission service. We receive 300-400 information requests a year from Presbyterians about mission service through World Mission.”

If you have an interest in serving internationally, [see a list of open positions](#) or call (800) 728-7228, x 2530.

Learn about the Women of Faith Award winners

Four women have been named recipients of the 2010 Women of Faith Awards by the General Assembly Mission Council of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The Reverend Margaret E. Howland, the Reverend Elizabeth Knott, Ms. Elona Street-Stewart and Ms. Joyce Uyeda will be honored at the Women of Faith breakfast, July 4, during the 219th General Assembly (2010) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in Minneapolis, Minn.

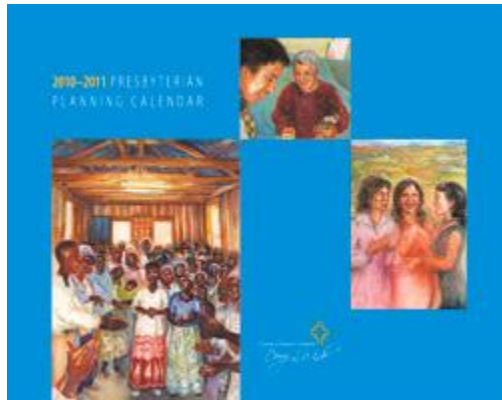
The Women of Faith Awards were established in 1986 to honor women in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) whose lives exemplify their Christian commitment through witness, service and leadership. The theme for this year’s awards is “Women with a Peaceful Heart: Guiding Paths of Peace” and therefore honors women who have helped the church grow in its witness and commitment to peacemaking. [Read more about these women.](#)

Honor military chaplains at General Assembly



As we approach the annual observance of Independence Day on July 4 - when we will recognize the service of our military chaplains during opening worship at the 219th General Assembly (2010) - may it be for us Presbyterians not only a special time to remember the freedoms that we enjoy, but also to pray for those among us who serve faithfully as military chaplains, called to embody the hope of Jesus Christ in some of the world’s most perilous places. Through our prayers and our [gifts](#), together we can make a difference to those whose ministry touches so many.

Order your [2010-2011 Presbyterian Planning Calendar](#)



The art of Kelly Rider and selections of Scripture uplift and interpret the General Assembly's commitment to "[Grow Christ's Church Deep and Wide](#)" in the [2010-2011 Presbyterian Planning Calendar](#). Kelly is a former Young Adult Volunteer, and she has taught art in New Mexico, Chicago, and California.

The calendar also features:

- Monthly calendar pages from June 2010 through December 2011
 - Liturgical days, programmatic emphases, and secular holidays
 - Synod, presbytery, and GA staff directories
 - Foldout synod/presbytery, and world mission maps in color
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Evento Nacional Hispano/Latino 2010 - Una familia un llamado proposito



July 23-25, 2010

Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas

"Ustedes son una familia escogida, un sacerdocio al servicio del rey, una nación santa, un pueblo adquirido por Dios y esto es así para que anuncien las obras maravillosas de Dios, el cual los llamó a salir de la oscuridad para entrar en su luz maravillosa" (1 Pedro 2:9)

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Order your curriculum materials



Responses from around the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to the newly revised [We Believe: God's Word for God's People](#) are overwhelmingly favorable. We Believe sales have risen 14 percent in the past year and [Congregational Ministries Publishing](#) (CMP) is grateful for feedback and evaluations from congregations that have guided them in making changes to better suit educational needs. [Learn about Multiage](#), a new addition to the We Believe curriculum in response to the needs of the smaller church school. Discover CMP's highly anticipated new adult studies, brand new this fall: [Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding](#). [Order your church curriculum](#) for the fall now.

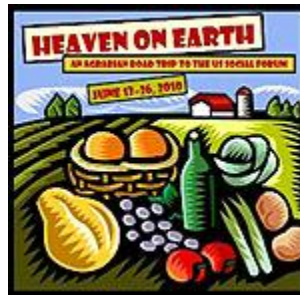
Responding to spring flooding



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is responding to flooding that has affected Kentucky and Tennessee. One Great Hour of Sharing [<http://www.pcusa.org/oghs/>] funds have been provided to help with immediate needs related to the flooding, and members of the PDA National Response Team are working with the Presbytery and PC(USA) congregations, planning long-term recovery efforts.

Volunteer work teams and clean up buckets are needed here and in other locations.

[Find out how you can help](#) →



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