

**GREETINGS!** Welcome to the Presbytery of Northern New England's e-newsletter!

New items highlighted in **yellow**

***Please note in SUNDAY'S BULLETIN:*** **pray** – North New Portland (ME) Community Church and their pastor the Rev. Scott Planting.

**ALSO:** Pray for God's will in healing Paul McCay and Laura Therrien.

## **NOT FOR SALE CAMPAIGN – FREEDOM SUNDAY, February 21, 2010**

27 Million People live in slavery around the world today. The Not For Sale Campaign, an active abolitionist movement, is asking people of faith, specifically church leaders, to preach on the topics of Freedom and Anti-Slavery on Sunday, February 21, 2010. They are sending this request to all clergy of all faiths so that we can show a united front against slavery, and specifically human trafficking on Freedom Sunday.

Eric Goodwin, a program coordinator in the Harvard University Provost's Office working in the global health initiatives human trafficking program has asked that clergy share their commitment and intention to preach on these issues on Freedom Sunday, so that they can track who participates. You can send an e-mail to Ann Marie Simone at [Click Here](#), who is keeping the list of Presbyterian Churches participating in this Presbytery to send to Eric.

There is a great bible study that can be downloaded online at [Click Here](#) if that interests you or your congregation.

## **JOURNEY OF FAITH: A PILGRIMAGE OF DISCERNMENT FOR MINISTRY**

Cost: Participants will pay a \$500 registration fee. The only other costs will be personal expenses and possible transportation to and from Atlanta if you live within 200 miles of Atlanta.

Dates: April 19 - 21, 2010 Orientation (Columbia Seminary)

April 21 - May 5, 2010 Pilgrimage

July - August, 2010 Reflection Process

**November 19, 2009** is the dead line for completed applications.

Participants will be notified of acceptance by December 18, 2009.

Requirements for Participation:

- Pastors of any denomination are eligible to apply
- 5 years of ordination
- Current service in a congregation
- Completion of application including 2 letters of reference

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### **PC (USA) CONFERENCES:**

#### **“Emergence NOW” event at Columbia Theological Seminary, January 26-29**

Decatur, GA—“Emergence NOW,” Columbia Theological Seminary's annual January Seminars, takes place January 26-28, 2010, on the seminary campus in Decatur, GA. Leaders include acclaimed editor, author, and lecturer Phyllis Tickle, along with pastor and moderator of the PC (USA) Bruce Reye-Chow, and author/ theologians Tony Jones and Philip Clayton Jones. Barbara Brown Taylor, renowned preacher and author, will lead worship on Tuesday afternoon and Thursday morning. Offered by the Center for Lifelong Learning, “Emergence NOW” will feature plenary sessions, daily worship, and workshops. The \$265 program fee includes two lunches. More information and online registration for the event and housing is available at 404.687.4587.

**APCE ANNUAL EVENT** January 27-30, 2010 – A Conference of Presbyterian Church Educators Nashville, TN. For information [Click Here](#)

#### **NEACE 2010 April 21-23, 2010**

Warwick Conference Center Conference Planning Team ~ Reformed Church of America Friends. A social justice conference with a hands-on service project included

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Clifton Kirkpatrick - President, World Alliance of Reformed Churches. More information to come in the near future.

**PRINCETON FORUMS ON YOUTH MINISTRY** – Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey April 26-30, 2010. More Information [Click Here](#)

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NOTICE: Updated Presbytery Policy Manual is available on-line [Click Here](#)

**219<sup>th</sup> GA July 3-10, 2010 – To Register or for more Information** [Click Here](#)

219<sup>th</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY (2010) FORM OF GOVERNMENT TASK FORCE report is available online. [Click Here](#)

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