



Evergreen Notes

Evergreen Association of American Baptist Churches

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Easter Early Morning Worship Service

For the third year, Evergreen Association invites you to join in the

Easter Early Worship Service

Sunday, April 4, 2010

St. Ignatius Chapel
Seattle University Campus
7:30 AM

The community worship service will feature

- Evergreen's Executive Minister, Rev. Dr. Marcia J. Patton, preaching
- Mount Zion Baptist

Church Men's Chorus, singing, and

- Yukio Sakiyama of Japanese Baptist Church, Tim Phillips of Seattle First Baptist Church and Curtis Price of Wedgwood Community Church as worship leaders.

Join us. Perhaps this year, weather permitting, we'll be able to begin in the Japanese Garden.

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Prayer Concerns—

• *Ruth Hunter recuperating at home*

• *Dianne Plourde following surgery*

• *Mike Cooper, member of Mt Lake Terrace, Snohomish Councilman*

• *Barry and Anne Briscoe*

• *Yosh Nakagawa much improved*

A Time for Thanksgiving



Ken Curl, Evergreen Chair

With Easter fast approaching I can't help

but be full of the spirit of thanksgiving. We have so much to be thankful for during this season. First and foremost the life, death and resurrection of our God's only begot-

ten son, Jesus. Oh how God must love us to sacrifice his son for all of us.

I am also thankful for my family and the

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Events & Happenings Around the Association



Come and support *Deacon Ken Curl*, Chair of the Evergreen Association, as he preaches his trial sermon on Saturday, April 10, 2010, 3:00 p.m., at **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH**, Renton, Washington. The church is located at 4519 NE 10th Street. The church's telephone number is (425) 255-1446. A reception will follow.



SEATTLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

invites you to experience the labyrinth walks each second Sunday April 11th and May 9th, 6—8 PM in the fellowship hall; the lower Seneca Street doors open to the fellowship hall.

And on April first—Maundy Thursday, in addition to the Labyrinth Walk, Seattle First will offer a light supper in the parlor adjacent to the fellowship hall. Supper is \$5 and will be served until 6:30 PM.

Communion of bread and grapes will be available in the center of the labyrinth.



United Church of Moscow will ordain Jodie Tooley, May 1, 2010.



Ministers Council Retreat, April 11-13, Camp Burton, with Jeff Woods, Associate General Secretary, ABCUSA

A Time for Thanksgiving

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acceptance of my call to ministry. I pray God will continue to use me as He sees fit and that I will be obedient as Jesus was in going to the cross.

I am also thankful for my Evergreen Family. God is using us in a mighty way. You will find many articles in this month's newsletter that attest to that. For example, the Dance and Play for Haiti fundraiser allowed University Baptist Church and New Beginnings Christian Fellowship to form a stronger bond as they worked together to make the event such a success.

And New Walk Christian Church celebrated its fifth anniversary during the month of March. I am thankful that all the churches of Evergreen feel empowered to do wonderful works for the Lord through serving the least, lost and left-out in their communities.

Please continue to share your stories with the entire association. And lastly I want to pass on some great news that makes me even more thankful to our Father. The entire senior class at Chicago's only public all-male, all-African-American high school has been accepted to four-year colleges. At last count, the

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107 seniors had earned spots at 72 schools across the nation.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/features/happynews>

Ken

Evergreen Trip to Haiti—Proposed Itinerary

Sept. 14 (All) Leave Seattle at 10:50 pm for Miami

Sept. 15(All) Leave 9:40 am for Port-au-Prince; Arrive Port-au-Prince 10:45 am
Tour earthquake damage and spend night in mission hostel

Sept. 16 (All) Ground transportation to Cap-Haitian; tour mission grounds; establish ground base for the week.

Sept. 17-19(All) Visit mission sites and worship on Sunday.

Sept. 20 (Mission Education

only) return to Port-au-Prince via ground transportation; return to Miami on 4:15 pm flight. Spend the night in Miami.

Sept. 21 (Mission Education only) leave Miami at 8:40 am; arriving Seattle at 12:20 pm.

Sept. 20-24 (Mission Ed. & Work) Engage in work project.

Sept. 25 (Mission Ed. & Work) return to Port-au-Prince via ground transportation; return to Miami on 4:15

pm flight. Spend the night in Miami.

Sept. 26 (Mission Ed. & Work) Leave Miami at 8:40 am; arrive Seattle at 12:20 pm.

If either of these group possibilities is interesting to you, please plan to join us. Approximate costs: 1,200 for Mission Education only Group and 1,500 for the Mission Ed. & Work Group.

Contact Ron Kirstein via email: rkirstein@verizon.net or telephone: 206-533-9285.

Moscow Holds Ordination Council for Jodie Tooley

The United Church in Moscow ID hosted an ordination council for their newly installed pastor, Jodie Tooley on Saturday, March 13. The Ministerial Standards Committee took a road trip from Seattle to Moscow to be present for the council. The church provided comfortable wonderful hospitality overnight and breakfast for the

members of the committee. United Church was encouraged to proceed with the ordination, now scheduled for Saturday, May 1.

Now here's the Test: In the picture (right) can you name the first and second grade Sunday School teacher, the pastor, the deacon, and the former church council member, all members of the Minis-



terial Standards and Concerns Committee? (answer elsewhere in this newsletter) Marcia Patton and Jodie Tooley are also in the picture.

Kaleidoscope Institute

Leadership training in how to lead diverse groups of people will happen outside Seattle at beautiful Rainbow Lodge in North Bend Washington. Eric Law and other Kaleidoscope

leaders will train folks August 16-20. Training in facilitation and debriefing, photo language, Gospel Cycle of Living, power analysis, and the Band-aid play are just the

beginning of the list. If you are interested, email kscopeinstitute@aol.com and tell them you are interested in the Northwest Kaleidoscope Institute.

Dance and Play for Haiti Benefit Fundraiser a Success

Thanks so much for your contribution and support for the Dance and Play for Haiti



fundraiser. The event was a fun and rewarding experience.

The combined efforts of University Baptist Church and New Beginnings Christian

Fellowship reportedly raised a bit over \$4,800 in donations and it is expected at final tallying to reach \$5,000!



One half of the funds raised will be sent through the American Baptist Haiti relief efforts (One Great Hour of Sharing), 25% for Partners in

Health, and 25% for Friends of the Orphans.



Pamela Taylor South of New Beginnings and **Carol Sutton** of University were co-emcees for the evening



Evergreen Association an ABC Collection Agency is Up and Running

Evergreen Association churches have done an excellent job of implementing the new procedures for sending American Baptist mission dollars to the Region Office as your new collection agency.

We have successfully received and processed your generous giving for Haiti relief, United Mission, Love Gift, One Great Hour of Sharing, America for Christ and other specific, targeted and designated American Baptist Related gifts since January 2010.

We are excited as we work to turn this new venture into a means to improve communication with our member churches.

Please be reminded that though certain months have been designated for promotion of the four annual offerings, you may give to UNITED MISSION and these offerings at any time throughout the year.

Your gifts to UNITED MISSION are particularly needed

OFFERINGS
America for Christ—March
One Great Hour of Sharing—May
World Mission Offering—October
M&M Thank You—December

at this time. We are way behind last year's giving to-date. The majority of Evergreen's income is through your giving to UNITED MISSION. Please give generously to UNITED MISSION today.

Coalition for Refugees from Burma (CRB): A new direction for Burma refugee mutual assistance

For centuries, colonial and indigenous powers in Burma used a “divide and rule” strategy to dominate the many ethnic minorities there. As a result, people in Burma speak over 100 different languages, with a rich variety of ethnic minority cultures. But they don’t traditionally get along well, having been encouraged to fear and envy one another for so long. Ethnic divisions often parallel religious differences, further complicating relations between the groups.

It’s easy to make contact with the Christian refugees in churches we know. It’s harder to reach refugees who only speak a language not used in the refugee churches here, or those of a different faith (non-Christian refugees from



Coalition for Refugees from Burma

Coalition for Refugees from Burma is a Washington State based Mutual Assistance Association and non-political entity, striving to assist all refugees from Burma to become socially and economically self-sufficient, and become contributing members of the society by accessing educational opportunities, teaching job skills, strengthening family relationships, and promoting and preserving traditional customs.

www.allburmarefugees.org

Burma may commonly be (Buddhist, Muslim, or animist). Jesus commands us to love all people, not just those who are like us, so we want to serve more than just those we can easily meet.

The Coalition for Refugees from Burma (CRB) was formed late in 2009 by Burma refugee community members who’ve been known to Evergreen churches for a long time. CRB is being inten-

tional in drawing leadership from all the Burma refugee ethnic and faith groups, and is among the very first Burma refugee organizations in America to bridge these centuries-old barriers.

We expect that they’ll help us serve the harder-to-reach refugees. We’re blessed to have them in the State of Washington, and look forward to partnering with them in a variety of service ministries. Please visit their website, and participate with them if you can.

Dr. Paul Roby
Burma Refugee Services
Coordinator

Ordination Council for Woun Kim at JBC



Japanese Baptist Church (JBC), in conjunction with the Evergreen Association Ministerial Standards

Committee, will be a part of the Ordination Council for Woun Kim on Sunday afternoon, April 11, 2010, 2:30 PM at JBC.

All participants will have the opportunity to ask Woun questions about the content of his paper, copies of which will be made available prior to the event itself.

JBC called Woun to serve as Minister of Outreach beginning January 1, 2010. As such, he has been actively involved in ministry to young

adults (including college students) and refugees in the Greater Seattle area, and has been seeking ways to network with others in serving our community.

Your attendance at the council, 160 Broadway, Seattle, will be of great encouragement to Woun.

SUKIYAKI DINNER

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2010
JAPANESE BAPTIST CHURCH

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- ~NW Taiko
- ~Japanese Dance by the Seattle Japanese Community Queen's Court
- ~Evergreen Men's Chorus
- ~Poem singing/ Calligraphy
- ~Okinawa-ken Cultural Program
- ~KEBANA DISPLAY
- ~CRAFTS
- ~BAKED GOODS

Volunteer Opportunities at Bacone College

As you look through this newsletter you will see more than a few opportunities to participate in a variety of experiences. If you have a desire to make a difference for people, particularly people of a different culture, but are reluctant to go to Haiti, yet want to get further away from home than helping with the people from Burma who have relocated here, Bacone College and the Native Americans in Oklahoma are looking for help.

One hundred and thirty years old, Bacone, founded by American Baptists, is a four-year college that even offers a D. Min. It maintains its com-

mitment to serving American Indians within a culturally diverse community. Bacone has a full Volunteers in Mission program. The school is currently involved in a Habitat for Faculty program to repair and renovate eleven houses on campus that are homes for Bacone instructors. Individuals and groups who volunteer will provide assistance to the institution in landscaping, masonry work, carpentry and painting.

Various service opportunities allow volunteers to become long-term and often develop life-long relationships with the campus community.

“Bacone College and the Native Americans in Oklahoma are looking for help.”

For further information contact Wil Brown by email at brownw@bacone.edu or via telephone at 918-685-0129.

Missional Church Learning Experience—An Invitation

Evergreen Association and the American Baptist Home Mission Society (National Ministries) are teaming up to cordially invite all Evergreen Churches and PCBA churches to enter a learning experience with other churches where you will be led in a step by step process to engage with your community to make a difference. We are offering this experience in two places. There will be meetings in the Bay Area of California and in the Seattle Area in Washington. It is a 14-month experience designed to help churches become more involved with their communities in ways that demonstrate Christ's love. In partnership with National Ministries, Evergreen and your local church, all participating churches will receive 4 training sessions with a group of churches. Every church will design and put into practice a community project that will serve as your

learning tool. Give this invitation to change the world serious consideration.

Every church is asked to develop a Missional Church Learning Team of 5 people: the pastor, three lay members and one youth member. The Learning Team commits to attending the four training sessions and doing the work generated by those training sessions. We are asking every church to pay \$100 to enter the program*. This will help cover the cost of food shared at the training events. God will guide the team beyond this commitment.

For our California and Utah Churches, the first session is scheduled for Saturday, May 15, 2010 and subsequent workshops will be Saturday, September 11, 2010; Saturday, January 29, 2011; and Saturday, April 9, 2011. Locations for all events will be announced. They will not all be held at the same loca-

tion.

For our Washington, Moscow and Palmer Churches, an introductory workshop will be held on Sunday, May 16, 2010 at a place to be determined. You don't have to bring a team to this introductory meeting. You are most welcome to come to this event and find out more of what might be involved. The four training events will be held on Sunday, September 12, 2010, Sunday, January 30, 2011, Sunday, April 10, 2011 and a date in July 2011 yet to be determined; however, that July date will be announced at the May 16 introductory gathering. Palmer and Moscow, you're invited to be present on May 16 via SKYPE.

*Note: The \$100 entrance fee will be payable when you decide to enter the experience with a team and commit to the 4 training sessions.



Spring Revival at MLK Memorial- Jeremiah Wright, Guest Revivalist

Spring Revival services will held nightly at 7:00 pm, beginning Wednesday April 28 - Friday, April 30.

Guest revivalist will be the Reverend Dr. Jeremiah A. Wright Jr., Pastor Emeritus of the Trinity United Church of Christ .

You are invited to join in a special afternoon session with Dr. Wright for pastors, ministers and church leaders on Thurs-

day, April 29 from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

A nominal donation of \$35 will include the cost for lunch. Dr. Wright's new book entitled "A Sankofa Moment", the 48-year history of the Trinity United Church of Christ emphasizing the building of the largest UCC congregation within the denomination will be available for purchase.

Space is limited for the luncheon and presentation. Please RSVP with your \$35 as soon as possible or no later than April 15, 2010.



The revival services and the afternoon session will take place at Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Baptist Church, 4519 NE 10th Street Renton, WA 98059.

Your Gifts to Evergreen – Have you remembered us in your giving?

Friends and family of Evergreen who receive the newsletter via snail mail also receive an envelope reminder that we need your continued support. Thank you for your responses.

Those who receive the newsletter via email do not receive

that subtle reminder, so here is the “ASK”: Please remember your gifts to Evergreen make possible some of the many ministries mentioned in this newsletter, postcards and other mailings you receive. We would appreciate your donation soon. You may

donate online at www.ea-abc.org or send your check/money order made payable to Evergreen Association-ABC, 409 Third Avenue S, Suite A, Kent WA 98032.

And as always—THANK YOU!

SBU-Hosted Active Clergy & Spouse Royal Argosy Dinner Cruise August 10, 2010

More info to follow as the date nears.

Following are excerpts from a string of emails within the ABC family. Write your own headline:
Subject: Hygiene Baby Kits

Hi, Virginia,

Just wanted to let you know that some 17 to 18 members of McKee were gathered together this week, and we made personal donations totaling more than \$300 and used those funds to purchase items sufficient to make 40 hygiene kits and 8 baby care kits. Vickie will be dropping the kits off along with a \$96 check from the McKee treasury to cover the shipping for them. We pray these gifts will be a blessing.

Take care.

Marilyn,

When I returned to the office (finally!) this morning, I found our CWS kits collection box filled to the brim with hygiene and

baby care kits and 2 checks on my desk payable to Church World Service that total \$150 for shipping costs. God is good! Thank you so much for communicating the need and facilitating the help of others who attended the McKee consultation.

I learned this morning that Church World Service still has a high need for kits; their supply had been low before the Haiti earthquake, and hurricane season is approaching. We will ship these kits onward immediately. Thank you, thank you!

Virginia

Greetings all,

... hard to embrace that the kits we made in NJ would be in Haiti touching lives there. ..

Blessings, Tondi

PCBA NEWS

Baptists Lunching Together

Spring Conference

Saturday, May 1, 2010

Speaker: David Gregg of Chicago

Theme: Being Baptist Today

First Baptist Church

305 N California Avenue

Palo Alto CA 94301

Make reservations at FBC- Palo Alto, Pastor Rick Mixon

Telephone: 650-327-0561

(Answer to photo question on page 3: Jodie, Dawn MacNab, the former Church Council member, Priscilla Lowe the deacon, Dennis Plourde the pastor, Bob Fukano the Sunday School teacher, and Marcia)

Take Your Pastor/Church Leader to the Mariners' Baseball Game

It's time to begin planning to join with our Evergreen family in the fifth annual Take Your Pastor and/or



Church leader (s) to the Mariners' Baseball Game.

This year our annual outing will feature a game



between the Seattle Mariners and the Minnesota Twins on Tuesday, June 1, 2010, 7:10 PM at Safeco Field.

BASEBALL TICKET(S) ORDER FORM



Name _____ Date _____

Tickets _____ @ 2 for \$20 or \$10 each = _____ Amount Enclosed

Mail Tickets to: _____

Please make check or money order payable to Evergreen Association; send to 409 Third Avenue S, Suite A, Kent WA 98032

You may also phone, fax or email your request, and when payment is received, the ticket (s) will be mailed to you.

First Baptist Church—Salt Lake City Youth Present Penny Project Funds

The youth of First Baptist Church—Salt Lake City participated in the Penny Project and raised over 101,000 pennies for youth in poverty. We gave the money to Crossroads Urban Center here in Salt Lake because they are such a huge advocate for the poverty issue.

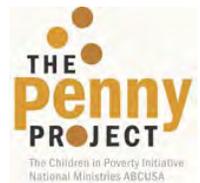
Above is a picture from the press conference that was held in Salt Lake City.



Thank you, Salt Lake City youth, for being the hands and feet of Christ in this

project. Indeed, your efforts point out that pennies add up, and every penny counts to help children in poverty.

Your congregation is invited to collect pennies (nickels, dimes, quarters, dollars) too, and help in your own communities.



Bring the Seminary to Church—Topic: Womanist Theology and the Bible



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*Add some
new life in
your Bible*

*study group or adult
Sunday School class by
studying along with a
seminary professor and
seminarians!*

This course will introduce students to womanist theology, using Bible and variant approaches to this theology. By theologically examining gender and race, students will see practical applications in womanist theology for daily living. Womanist theology focuses on African American women as previously overlooked conversation partners in theological discourse. But, it's more than that. Because liberation theology is connected to various movements of liberation for many groups of people (Hispanic, Asian, feminist, African American) the course begins

by introducing students to these connections. Familiarity with African American history is helpful as the course is multidisciplinary.

By the end of the course, students should be able to identify differences between womanist and feminist theologies, define liberationist theology, and provide critical engagement with womanist theological concepts.

THE FORMAT:

Engage the course topic based on your current group's format and schedule through recorded online video lectures and corresponding Bible study material designed for church groups.

THE COST:

Flat registration fee of \$150.00 per church gives limited-time access—UNTIL DECEMBER 1, 2010—to the same lectures given to Seminary students along with specialized online

Bible study materials corresponding to the lectures.

THE ACTION:

Register your church online by May 15, 2010.

For more info contact:
Blake Horridge, Registrar
bhorridge@absu.edu
510.841.1905 x237

THE PROFESSOR Rev. CL
Nash, M.Div., PhD (2010)



Education: Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from University of Edinburgh, Great Britain (2010); M.Div. from School of Theology/Virginia Union University, Richmond, VA; Certificate of Anthropology from Tangaza College of Nairobi, Kenya; BA in Mass Communications/Journalism from University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI; Many and varied experiences in: domestic and international teaching and speaking engagements, research, published writings, and professional service activities

Bountiful Requests Your Help

First Baptist Church in Bountiful Utah is stepping out on faith and beginning a new thing for them. The moderator of the church, Bob Vandegrift asks you to check out their website and send any assistance you can their way.

They'd really like to get that baptistery built this time, and

you are asked to help. For more information, go to their web address at :
<http://www.fbcbountiful.com>

**Pastors,
Treasurers,
Moderators:
Remember Your
Church's Annual Report
is DUE by April 30th.
You may submit your
report on-line at
annualreport.abcis.org**

Best Practices: Mission Ideas that Work-Panther Lake's Concert on the Lawn



Like many churches, Panther Lake Community Church had hoped to reach into the community by offering a summer vacation Bible school. For a while it worked. The children came, our teenagers helped teach, and all was well with the world. As time passed, however, fewer children attended, the teen helpers went off to college, and the outreach effort seemed to have outlived its usefulness.

Some creative minds started thinking outside the box, and the "Concert on the Lawn" was born.

Every year in late spring Pan-

ther Lake offers an outdoor concert featuring the big band sounds of "The Kings of Swing." "The Evergreen Women's Chorus" opens the evening. As people gather they sit on blankets and chairs on the church's front lawn. When the band heats up, a few start to dance. Hot dogs, chips, sodas, and ice cream for dessert are served in the shade of a nearby canopy.



Kids on bicycles start gathering early—probably more for the hot dogs than for the music. Young families pushing strollers come by and stay awhile. It's not unusual to see people wearing everything from beautiful Ethio-

pian robes to Seik ceremonial daggers sitting alongside others wearing polyester and denim. Someone brings a frisbee or a football and games of catch break out. It is truly a community party.

We don't tell Bible stories, and we don't sing choruses. Not one wooden bird house is ever nailed together, but this event brings the community together, and we think that's what our church should be doing.

Pastor Stan Smith

Kids + Fun + God + Nature = Camp Burton, Vashon Island

Although Spring is just attempting to arrive, it is time to start thinking about summer camp! Camp Burton has wonderful programs scheduled for the following ages:

Junior Camp, July 18-22, 2010, for campers entering grades 3-5, Director: Susan Hahn from West Seattle Baptist Church, cost \$165

Junior High Camp, July 11-16, 2010, for campers en-

tering grades 6-9, Director: Ginnie Shea from Lynden Community Church, cost \$220

Family Camp, August 8-14, 2010, for all kinds of families, Directors: Kelly and Cameron Pruitt, past affiliation with Peninsula Baptist Church, cost varies

Youth New Horizons Camp, July 11-16, 2010, for campers with developmental disabilities and over age 16,

Directors: Jennifer Sivertsen and Gina Thompson, past affiliation with Delta Baptist Church, cost \$235.

Please refer to the Camp Burton website, www.campburton.com for details and a registration form or call 206-463-2512 for more information.

See you this summer!

Judson Press Offers “Books Like New” at Discounted Prices

In response to the economic concerns of the past two years, Judson Press has launched a program to help book buyers find quality resources at discounted prices. Titled “Books Like New,” the on-line program offers both current and out-of-print favorites at 60% off their original retail price.

“Though their covers may show some wear, the books’ readability is completely unaffected, making them an excellent choice for churches, libraries, students, and book

collectors,” notes marketing director Kim Shimer. Publisher Laura Alden remarked on some of the out-of-print gems that are being made available for purchase. “We’ve been surprised at what’s turned up in the warehouse. Shoppers will find classics by George Vanderlip, Robert Laurin, William Willimon, Glenn Asquith, Orlando Tibbetts, and many others.” “Books Like New” are available in a variety of categories, including Christian Living, Church and Pastor Re-

sources, Sermons and Preaching, Devotionals and Meditations, African American interests, and more. With most of these books available only in limited quantities, Judson Press recommends that customers order early for best selection. There are no guarantees that additional copies will become available, though Alden notes that new titles are being added daily; so shoppers will want to visit the site often. Because of the low prices, all “Books Like New” purchases are non-returnable.

Black Caucus Bar-B-Que Cook-off Fundraiser—July 17, 2010

The Black Caucus of Evergreen Association invites you to calendar the date and plan to feast with us on Saturday, July 17th at the Cedar River Trail Park picnic shelter. Our grill chefs—Pastor Chris Boyer (giving the Euro Caucus their props, too!), Deacon Ken Curl, and Deacon Julian

Hunter—promise to delight your palates, as will our side-cooks. Experience baked beans prepared by chef Walter Commandest; the likes of which you’ve only tasted if you were with us last year! Save the date! Support Evergreen! Have some fun together!



Bar-b-que 2009 was “filling”!

PNW ABW Conference in Yakima—April 23–25, 2010

The American Baptist Women of the Pacific NW (ABW/PNW) will hold its 2010 conference at the Clarion Hotel, 1507 N First Street, Yakima on April 23–25, 2010.

The Bible Study leader, Rev. Sandra L. Demott-

Hasenauer, Associate Executive Director of ABWomen’s Ministries, ABCUSA. The Mission Speaker, Rev. Carol Sutton, retired from service with ABCUSA and is currently a member of our own University Baptist Church.

Mission Project: Children

in Poverty—Bring gently worn coats, shoes and blankets to be distributed among the refugee centers in Kent, Tri-Cities and Spokane.

To register call Lorna Flannery-253-752-0024 or Lorraine Harris—206-324-9647

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GOD's Power El Poder de DIOS

GOD's Way El Camino de DIOS

- Reunite and fellowship with family and friends

- Be inspired by preachers, speakers, missionaries

- Witness transforming ministries across ABC and our partners

- Share in the forming of the future of our denomination

- Experience God's movement with our ABC/Puerto Rico family

- Renew yourselves and revive your

ministries

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Important Note from the ABC Travel Agent – **Flights can be booked up to 11 months in advance.** Sunday and Monday are difficult travel days because of returning cruise passengers. Attendees should be advised to book flights as far in advance as possible.

PLAN AHEAD!

Area Churches Come Together to Feed the Hungry/Homeless

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Baptist Church and New Beginnings Christian Fellowship have joined with the Renton Salvation Army and roughly 12-15 other Renton-area churches to estab-

lish a Monday through Friday dinner program for the hungry/homeless in Renton.

The group is on schedule to offer the first meal on June 7, 2010.



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Evergreen Notes, the newsletter for member churches, ecumenical partners, national affiliates, and friends of the Evergreen Association of American Baptist Churches, is published monthly.

Please submit articles by the **23rd** of the month prior to expected publication.

You are encouraged to copy and/or reprint information and articles.



Rev. Dr. Marcia J. Patton
Executive Minister

Building Bridges, Resourcing Churches & Translating Our Unity

Calendar of Upcoming Events

APRIL

2—Good Friday; Office Closed

4—**Easter Sunrise Service, St. Ignatius Chapel, Seattle University Campus, 7:30 AM**

10—Ken Curl preaches licentiate sermon, MLK Baptist Church, 3:00 PM. All invited.

11—13 Ministers Council Retreat, Camp Burton

24—Sukiyaki Dinner Fundraiser and Cultural Program, Japanese Baptist Church (see article on page 6)

30—May 2— ABW/PNW Annual Conference, Yakima

MAY

16—Ordination Council for Woun Kim, JBC, 2:30 PM

17—Good Shepherd holds

Open House for Shepherd's

Garden Senior Housing, 11 AM

24—Executive Committee Meeting, JBC, 5:30 PM

JUNE

1—**Take Your Pastor to the ballgame, Seattle Mariners vs. Minnesota Twins, Safeco Field, 7:10 PM**

12—**Association Board Meeting, Wedgwood, 9 AM**

JULY

17—Bar-B-Que Fundraiser sponsored by the Black Caucus, Cedar River Park

AUGUST

10—SBU Hosted Active Clergy/Spouse Dinner Cruise

16-20 Kaleidoscope NW Training, Rainbow Lodge...

MISSION STATEMENT

Being a culturally diverse people who are one in Christ and who value the liberties of our American Baptist Heritage, the Evergreen Baptist Association will **Build bridges** between communities; Provide resources to **equip member churches** to share Christ and teach God's word; and **Translate our unity** to the world.