

Heartland Presbytery

THE COVENANT OF HEARTLAND PRESBYTERY: As the body of Christ, we covenant with God and with each other to affirm our unity in Jesus Christ and share Christ's ministry with others as the Holy Spirit leads us.
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Heartland Connection

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January 19, 2010

Joys and Concerns

The Rev. James Wilkins
Jim Cottrell
Paul Thomas
Rickeye McCollough
Rich Nolf
The Rev. Jim Tilton
All Looking for Employment
Jack Dalton
The Rev. Lloyd Haney
Christopher Gower
Barbara Bever
Those Touched by Violence
Allison Hart
The Rev. Bob Curtis
Sammie Johnson
All Military Personnel
Kenya
Victims of Natural Disasters

Heartland Presbytery is asked to pray for the crisis in Haiti and our own congregation Christ Presbyterian Church, the First Haitian Christian Fellowship and their CLP, Olain Francois. Olain and members of the congregation have been unsuccessful in reaching family and friends in Haiti. We offer prayers of support to all those waiting for news from Haiti. (Submitted by presbytery staff 1/19/10)

Our deepest sympathy is extended to The Rev. Ron Roberts, family and friends in the death of his son Andrew Roberts. Ron is a former honorably retired minister member of Heartland Presbytery who served many years at the Grace United Church and Second Presbyterian Church, KCMO. (Submitted by presbytery staff 1/12/09)

Link to additional Joys and Concerns:
<http://www.heartlandpby.org/joysconcerns/joysconcerns.htm>



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Office Hours: Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Parking lot entrance located off of Woodland Avenue behind building

A Partnership of Prayer

Please pray for all the Honorably Retired, at-large members who are not currently serving churches, all Ministers serving in validated ministries, and support staff of the churches each week.

January 17, 2010

Mound City Presbyterian Church, Mound City, MO

Mr. Carson McCormack, III, Clerk of Session

First Presbyterian Church, North Kansas City, MO

The Rev. Wilbur Whiteside, Pastor Emeritus

Ms. Jolene N. Shaw, Clerk of Session

Ms. Donna Schnoor, Communicator

Ebenezer, Cantón Los Angeles, San Felipe

The Rev. Pedro Mejía

January 24, 2010

New Horizon Presbyterian Church, Odessa, MO

The Rev. René Meyer, Pastor

Ms. Phyllis Ferguson, Clerk of Session

Ms. Kim Jeffery, Communicator

First Presbyterian Church, Olathe, KS

The Rev. Mark A. Hawke, Pastor

Mr. Chuck Lupton, Clerk of Session

Ms. Di Lupton, Communicator

Of Special Interest

Congregational Ministries Division Training for Congregations *Embracing Hope* Saturday, January 23, 2010, First Presbyterian Church, Olathe, KS. On line registration at: <http://www.heartlandpby.org/files%20misc/EmbracingHope2010.htm> (Submitted by presbytery staff 1/11/10)

The Partnership committee is welcoming Juan Lopez Gomez of Maya Quiche Presbytery while he visits January 20 through 26, 2010. He will be meeting and speaking and be a presence for the Maya Quiche Presbyterian brothers and sisters. You are invited to hear him during worship at 10:15 a.m. Sunday, January 24, 2010, at the Second Presbyterian Church, 55th and Oak, KCMO. (Submitted by Robert Griffey 1/12/10)

Your Help is Needed: On the last Wednesday of each month from Noon to 1:30pm Cherith Brook offers a special time just for women to come by for various services that we know they enjoy, such as haircuts/color, massages, mani/pedicures, facials, a shower, clothing and a meal. Volunteers arrive at 11:30am and finish up around 2pm. **Our next Women's Day is scheduled for January 27. We are in special need women's hair stylists who are able to cut/color women's hair.** We also offer free haircuts every 2nd Saturday from 9am to 11am. We need volunteers who are able to cut men's and women's hair on those days! **The next date for these haircuts will be February 13.** Also, on every 2nd Saturday from 9am to 1pm, we host a work day full of various types of projects around our property, from organizing donations, painting, framing, maintenance, and more! Please join us when you're able. **Our next work day is scheduled for February 13.** If you need further information, please contact Sarah at Cherith Brook Community, 3308 E 12th St Kansas City, MO 64127, 816-241-8047 or email cherithbrookkcmo@yahoo.com. Check out their blog at www.cherithbrookkc.blogspot.com (Submitted by Sarah Cool 1/12/10)

On Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 4 PM, Dr. Wallace S. Hartsfield, II will give the E.A. Freeman Lecture for Central Baptist Seminary and at 7 PM be installed to the Fred E. Young Chair of Hebrew Bible. These events will take place between the Gem Theater and the Jazz and Negro Baseball League Museums in the 18th & Vine District of Kansas City, MO. For more information visit www.cbts.edu (Submitted by Tamara Miller 1/15/10)

On Sunday, February 14, 2010 at 3 PM there will be a dialogue between Rev. Scott Myers, Westport Presbyterian Church and Rabbi Alan L. Cohen, Director of Interreligious affairs for the Jewish Community Relations Bureau/American Jewish Committee (JCRB/AJC) at the Jewish Community Center, 5801 W. 115th St., Overland Park, KS 66211. The dialogue will continue for 45 minutes with 15 minutes for questions and answers. The dialogue will conclude with both gentlemen considering "What would Moses say if he were attending a Passover Seder today? or an Easter Sunday gathering today? For more information visit www.jcckc.org. Those present will help determine future topics. (Submitted by Tamara Miller 1/15/10)

On Monday, February 22, 2010 from 8:30 AM - 12 Noon, a Clergy Institute sponsored by the Community Relations Bureau/American Jewish Committee (JCRB/AJC) on the topic "The Understood and the Misunderstood: a Muslim - Christian - Jewish Dialogue" featuring Father Dennis McManus, Emily Soloff (AJC) and a member of the Islamic Community. It will begin with breakfast and conclude at noon. Location TBA. For more information contact JCRBAJC@jewishkc.org (Submitted by Tamara Miller 1/15/10)

On Sunday, February 28, from 7 - 8 PM at the Jewish Community Campus, 5801 W. 115th St., Overland Park, KS 66211, a planning meeting for those interested in exploring interfaith learning opportunities. This would include conversation on how to proceed but no commitment. Contact Tamara Miller at LinwoodUnited@sbcglobal.net to let her know of your interest and availability for this. (Submitted by Tamara Miller 1/15/10)

First Presbyterian Church of Kansas City, Kansas is in the process of disbanding. We have church furnishings and office equipment that churches and ministries may be able to use. A list of items is posted on our website: www.firstpresckc.com. Churches and ministries may offer to buy items or you may request that we donate items to you. The deadline for offers and requests is February 10. All items must be picked up by February 28. (Submitted by Josef Walker 1/19/10)

Presbyterians for Earth Care...(formerly Presbyterians for Restoring Creation) publishes a quarterly Newsletter called *PEC Update*. In the most recent edition, Jerry Rees is a featured author in an article entitled "Uplifting the Sacredness of Creation in Worship". Jerry states, I suggest that the single most significant action that churches can take on behalf of the environment is to address in worship the crisis and its impact on God's Creation and God's People, especially the least among us. The idea is to **move people from denial to hope to action.**" Jerry is a regional representative of PEC and a member of Village Presbyterian Church as well as Earthkeepers. (Submitted by Diane Waddell, Earthkeepers 1/19/10)

Dear PWP Moderators: As the country is struggling with economic recession, women in the PC (USA) are turning to the PW Leadership Development Grant program in increasing numbers. Please note that the forms and guidelines of the grant program have changed, and these changes are effective immediately. There are two significant changes to note: 1. Beginning January 1, 2010, individuals and groups are eligible to receive grants only once within a four-year period, instead of three. The purpose of these two types of grants is to offer leadership training opportunities to women in the church. 2. In addition to the application form, every applicant must submit a completed appropriate tax payer ID form which is an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) form. Individuals and groups residing in the US should use **W-9**; foreign nationals living outside the US should use **W-8BEN**; groups and organizations outside the US should use **W-8EXP**. These forms are available at www.irs.gov.

The guidelines and grant forms are posted on the PW website. For those who may not have internet access, we also encourage you to keep the IRS forms as electronic files on your computer by downloading them from www.irs.gov so that you can send the requestors an appropriate IRS form along with the grant form. Please share this information widely with women in the church and encourage everyone to discard the dated forms and only use the newly revised forms that are dated 12/18/09. Thank you for your ministries! Leadership Development Grant Committee (Submitted by Janet Hibbert 1/19/10)

Link to all current items Of Special Interest <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/specialintrest.htm>

Job Opportunities

Link to all current Job Opportunities <http://www.heartlandpby.org/Job/jobs.html>

Upcoming Events

- Embracing Hope (Officer Leader Training Event Sponsored by Congregation Ministries Division)—January 23, 2010—First, Olathe, KS <http://www.heartlandpby.org/files%20misc/EmbracingHope2010.htm>
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—February 20, 2010—Southminster, Prairie Village, KS
- Stewardship Kaleidoscope –March 15-17, 2010—Indianapolis, IN <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/StewardshipKaleidoscope2010.pdf>
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—April 20, 2010—First, Pleasant Hill, MO
- Festival of Peacemaking/PW Spring Gathering—April 24, 2010—Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—June 15, 2010—Hosted by St. Paul, KCMO at Linwood United, KCMO
- Presbyterian Youth Triennium 2010—July 20-24, 2010
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—September 18, 2010—First, St. Joseph, MO
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—November 16, 2010—Effingham, Effingham, KS

Links to additional Upcoming Events: <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/events.html>

Deadline for articles to be posted in the next weeks Heartland Connection is 4:00 p.m. Thursday

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