

Presbyterian Women in the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Summer Conference



**Come To the Party -
There's Room for Us All!!**

July 11 - 13, 2008

Chapman University, Orange, CA

"...when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed." Luke 14: 13-14a

**The Reverend Kikanza Nuri-Robins
The Reverend Eugenia Gamble
The Reverend Ruth Santana-Grace**

COST: **\$215 Full Time** (2 nights and 6 meals) **\$200 if received by June 10**
(rooms are double occupancy; add \$30 for a single room {limited availability})
\$65 Full-time Commuter (no meals)
\$35 One-Day Commuter (no meals)
(Meals for commuters may be purchased with registration or on-site as desired)

Registration Deadline: June 24, 2008
No refunds after deadline. You may send a substitute.

Mail registration to:
Susan Skoglund, 28420 Coachman Lane, Highland, CA 92346

Information regarding directions to Chapman University, check-in procedures, and what to bring will be mailed to registrants about 10 days before the conference begins.

Childcare will be offered on **Saturday, July 12 only** from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM at a nearby location. **Arrangements for children MUST be made prior to registering for the conference by calling Maia Autrey-West at (909) 392-3321.** If no prior arrangements are made, childcare will be canceled.

Conference Staff
Dean: Pam Hodges – (310) 645-0258 or PamHaji@ca.rr.com
Registrar: Susan Skoglund – (909) 425-9751 or skoglunds@aol.com

ACCOMMODATIONS:
The conference is held on the campus of Chapman University in Orange, CA. Plenary sessions are in the Waltmar Theater; Friday Forums, workshops and the Mercado are in Beckman Hall; meals are in Argyros Forum. Overnight lodging is in a dormitory, 2

people to a room with a private bath. A limited number of single rooms are available for an additional fee.

WORKSHOPS

(Indicate your workshop choices on the Registration form)

Saturday Morning

- A1 Con Fe, Esperanza y Amor hay Fiesta - Leticia Morales**
Queridas hermanas vengan y celebremos con Jonas y Ruth el Llamado deDios, su fe, esperanza y Amor y hagamos Fiesta.
- A2 Healing Community - Jong Mi Ko**
Led by the wife of Rev. Tae Hyung Ko of the Korean Good Shepherd Church in Hacienda Heights. (Korean language)
- A3 Whoo Hoo! All Are Invited! – The Reverend Cheryl Raine**
Have you ever wondered about "those people" and why they continually show up when Jesus is around? Come and find out how the new Luke Bible study will challenge us to invite all of God's children to the party.
- A4 Can Divisive Issues Come to the Party? - Ervin Bullock** (Associate for Network Support for the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program)
Some issues bring a party to a halt, but the church is THE place to look at them in light of our faith. Explore ways to create safe space even for those of us with conflicting views. Peaceably, that is our goal.
- A5 Sabbath Economics: Household Practices – The Reverend Matt Colwell**
How does our faith relate to money? A helpful framework for turning daily economic activities into expressions of our faith. Personal financial choices impact hungry people and poor communities in the U.S. and abroad.
- A6 Today's Slave Trade: Trafficking in 2008 - The Reverend Ann Hayman**
How does the faith community respond to this newest manifestation of the world's oldest profession?
- A7 Your Home: Gaining Financial Security – Annie Burns**
Facts many need to remain at home & have money for expenses. Is a reverse mortgage the best solution? Materials & tools provided to help make informed decisions.
- A8 Sisters: Joined & Knit Together in Love – Janice Takeda & Susan Jackson-Dowd**
The Global Exchange program goes to Eastern Europe. How did Global Exchange begin and why does it matter? Building relationships between participants and those visited is

transforming. Presbyterian Women do Mission in a unique way.

Saturday Afternoon

- B1 QUE ES SER MUJER? - Margarita Reyes**
Quieres descubrir tu verdadera identidad? Entonces ven y juntas abriremos los regalos que Dios nos ha dado y--comeremos pastel. Hay una rebanada para ti!!!
- B2 Korean Women: Let's Be Advocates – Jerri Rodewald and Myoung Lee**
Learn about the Advocacy Committee for Women's Concerns plus a network of women within our Synod. (Korean translation)
- B3 Let's Celebrate with a Teaching Party – Jeanne Hatfield**
There is room for us all to learn new teaching methods and "hands on" techniques will help circles have a great year with our Luke study. Bring your study along
- B4 Room for Israelis & Palestinians, too? - Ervin Bullock**
Surely Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, can help make room at the party for both sides of his family. Let's better understand Palestinians and Israelis, explore Jesus' teachings and learn ways to work for justice and peace in the Middle East.
- B5 Celtic Spirituality: One Among Many – The Revs. Sara McCurdy & Linda Flatley**
Take a virtual pilgrimage to the Scottish Isle of Iona for a time of renewal centered around the history and practice of Celtic Spirituality.
- B6 Is There Food for Us All at the Table? Andrea Azuma**
Obesity is a major public health concern, as Americans' waistlines expand. Yet many have poor access to healthy, affordable foods in their neighborhoods. Learn about efforts towards "food justice" in Southern California.
- B7 Do You Know. . . ? - Sara Bauer**
Learn surprising facts about Presbyterian Women's history, featuring prominent women from the past as we share our own journey in this inclusive, caring community of women. PW: Celebrating 20 years of Purpose.
- B8 Come to Worship! Explore Dance & Movement – Allison Becker**

Biblical basis for including dance & movement in worship. Move, dance, and explore using our bodies in expression of worship. Come comfortably dressed & be ready to move!

If you'd like more information before choosing your workshops, contact:

Carolyn Kingshill, Workshop Chair
(909) 625-6069 or CarolynRK@earthlink.net

WHO'S WHO:

The **Reverend Kikanza Nuri Robins** is a consultant, writer and clergy member, active in the Presbytery of the Pacific. Kikanza is a talented textile artist and a lover of fast cars and slow music. She has known since she was nine that she would be a minister, but it took her 40 years to run out of ways to say *No*. Kikanza currently serves at Knox Presbyterian Church in Los Angeles as a consulting pastor.

The **Reverend Ruth Santana-Grace** is the Executive Presbyter for San Gabriel Presbytery, the first Hispanic-American woman to serve in that capacity. She is known to be not only linguistically trilingual but theologically bi-lingual. She loves the church of Jesus Christ as embodied by the Presbyterian Church (USA) and believes that God's plans for it are far greater than our ability or inability to understand and see its future.

The **Reverend Eugenia Gamble** is a PCUSA pastor, author, retreat leader and spiritual director. She was most recently Senior Pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Birmingham Alabama and is now working on a series of three volumes on women martyrs, mystics and reformers and serving as Director of Spiritual Development for First Presbyterian Church, San Luis Obispo.

SCHEDULE

Friday, July 11

9:30 AM Begin check-in at dorm for full-time participants
11:45 AM Lunch in Argyros Forum
12:30 AM Check in for commuters begins in Waltmar Theater lobby
1:00 PM OPENING PLENARY
3:00 PM Friday Forums
4:00 PM OPTIONS:
Mercado, Book Store, Free Time
5:45 PM Dinner
7:00 PM PLENARY II
9:00 PM Refreshments and Fellowship

Saturday, July 12

7:30 AM Breakfast
9:00 AM PLENARY III

10:30 AM WORKSHOP A
12:15 PM Lunch
1:30 PM PLENARY IV
2:30 PM WORKSHOP B
4:00 PM OPTIONS:
Mercado, Book Store, Free Time
5:45 PM Dinner
7:00 PM PLENARY V
9:00 PM Refreshments and Fellowship

Sunday, July 13

7:30 AM Breakfast
9:00 AM PLENARY VI
10:30 AM Break
10:40 AM Worship and Communion
12:00 Noon Adjourn

FRIDAY FORUMS

(Open-ended discussions; no advance sign-up needed; choose your Forum that day)

- **BEYOND BORDERS: Mas Allas de la Fronteras – Hagar Benitez, Donna Cadwallader, & Jean Vieten**
Can we reach beyond borders? Learn about border ministries and issues from three women who participated in the PW's USA Mission Experience to El Paso and Juarez in April.
- **THERE'S ROOM FOR ALL: Women Included - Ann Hayman, Jerri Rodewald, & Louise Davidson**
We will discuss some of the issues from the 52nd U.N. Commission for the Status of Women: financing for gender equality and how it impacts issues pertaining to women around the world.
- **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: GET WIRED! - Mary Lee & Susan Jackson-Dowd**
Learn what PW is doing in the world, what we're doing here at home and what we can do. Make this a two-way forum with questions, suggestions, and issues. Ideas will go back to Louisville!!

PWS Summer Conference Registration and Volunteer Form

(please PRINT)



Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____
E-mail address (optional) _____
Church _____ Presbytery _____

Please indicate your registration choice and workshop selections below. If received by **June 10**, early registration fee applies (full time only).

Full Time - **\$215** (\$200 for early bird) _____ (Check here ___ and add \$30 for single room)
Commuter full-time - **\$65** _____
Commuter one-day - **\$35** _____ Circle *Fri, Sat, or Sun*

Commuter Meals: Fri. Dinner (\$12.00) _____ Sat. Lunch (\$9.00) _____ Sat. Dinner (\$12.00) _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____ **Make check payable to PWS.**

WORKSHOP CHOICES: (see descriptions on page 2)

A _____ (1st choice) B _____ (1st choice)
A _____ (2nd choice) B _____ (2nd choice)

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Emergency Contact: _____ Contact's Phone _____

_____ I need a first floor room. (elevator available) _____ I need refrigeration for medication.
_____ I have registered my child(ren) for child care. _____ Other special needs (explain) _____

ROOMMATE REQUESTED: Name _____
(Roommate will be assigned if no request given)

Mail this entire page (keep a copy for your records) and your check, payable to **PWS**, to:
Susan Skoglund, 28420 Coachman Lane, Highland, CA 92346

If you are willing to be a volunteer, please fill out the information below:

Name _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____

I am willing to:
_____ Work a shift in the Mercado
_____ Work a shift in the Book Store
_____ Usher during plenary sessions
_____ Miscellaneous (use me as needed!)