



EVERGREEN NOTES

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MLKing, Jr. Worship Service

Monday, Jan. 21, 2008
6:00 PM
People's Institutional Baptist Church
159 24th Ave
Seattle 98122

Rev. Marilyn Turner,
Preaching

Featuring: Peoples Choir, NBCF Youth Choir and Mt. Zion Men's Chorus.

Fellowship following worship

THANK YOU!

Evergreen has an amazing story to tell. We tell it in no small part because lots of people give of their time, energy and money to make this happen. At the first of the year, I want to remember with thanksgiving those people who have helped to make our ministry and mission happen in 2007. First, a thanks goes to the TEAM volunteers: Yosh Nakagawa,

Peter Koshi, David Kile and James Winbush. Second thanks goes to Betty Bates, coordinator, and the volunteers who every month fold, collate and get out the "hard" copy newsletters: Cora Lee Doty, Chellie Rowland, Shirley Moffitt, Ethelmae Walters, Marian Voge, Gay and Phyllis Hasselblad, Bill and Virginia Thompson, Ruth Hunter and

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Dream On!

But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. – Philippians 3:13-14

In January we honor the contributions of

Martin Luther King Jr. in a worship service on the national anniversary of his birth. Dr. King's dream of a beloved community has served as a beacon for an entire generation and beyond. As we

mark his work this month it is easy to see how far we still have to go to realize his dream. This is the reality of God-sized dreams – they

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Curtis Price,
EA Chair

Special points of interest:

- Keep the sick and hurting in your prayers and remembrances.
- Remember churches seeking pastoral leadership and the pastoral leaders of churches.
- Continue to seek God's direction for Evergreen and member church congregations.

Events and Happenings

*****The Freedom of Limits: Accepting Life on Life's Terms—A Lenten Retreat for Men and Women**, Led by The Revs. Catherine Fransson, Tim Phillips, and Dr. Gretchen Gundrum, Rainbow Lodge Retreat Center, February 29—March 2, 2008. For registration information go to www.SeattleFirstBaptist.org or call 206-325-6051.



2008 NATIONAL CLERGY RENEWAL PROGRAM - The National Clergy Renewal Program, offered by Lilly Endowment Inc., seeks

to strengthen Christian congregations by providing an opportunity for pastors to step away briefly from the daily demands of parish life and to engage in a period of renewal and reflection. They are asked: "What will make your heart sing?", and are invited to plan the steps that will make that thing happen.

In the National Clergy Renewal Program, the Endowment annually will provide 120 grants of up to \$45,000 each directly to Christian congregations for support of a renewal program for their

pastor.

The master of divinity degree is the basic minimum educational requirement to apply for a grant.

Applications, now being accepted, must be postmarked by May 14, 2008, and the award announcement will be made by October 2008.

For information: Visit website: lillyendowment.org, click on Religion, then on National Clergy Renewal Program, Request for proposals; or email: clergyrenewal@yahoo.com; or call 317-916-7302.

Community Church of Issaquah & Leaders Receive 2007 Raushenbusch Award



The Rev. James T. Winbush and the Rev. Elizabeth Maupin, to-

gether with members of their congregation, the [Issaquah Community Church](#), received awards for the outstanding work they had done this past summer in organizing the churches as well as the business community and government of their city for hosting [Tent City 4](#).

In receiving her award Pastor Maupin revealed that her congregation was itself rooted in the ministry of Walter Rauschenbusch. For they were founded 1890 as the result of a "railway chapel car" ministry conceived in part by Walter and sent out by the predecessor denomination of the American Baptist Churches to evangelize the Pacific Northwest. Congregations who are considering being hosts of a tent city are invited to [contact](#) these two outstanding pastors

"...[CCI was] founded 1890 as the result of a "railway chapel car" ministry conceived in part by Walter [Raushenbusch]"

to learn how the hosting of a tent city can be a spiritual hallmark not only in the life of their congregation but also for their community.

Address: 205 Mountain Park Blvd. SW, Issaquah WA 98027; email: info@communitychurchofissaquah.org; web: www.commchurchiss.org

Ecumenical Leaders Listen to Native Americans 20 Years After the Apology

On December 7, 2008, at Daybreak Star Native American Cultural Center a gathering of Native Peoples and Christian Religious Leaders gathered. The Religious Leaders were there to listen. Twenty years ago, a significant event happened for the Native Peoples, an “apology” was extended by religious leaders to the Native tribes of the Pacific Northwest. It said in

part: “*we call upon the people of our denominations and fellowships to a commitment of mutual support in your efforts to reclaim and protect the legacy of your own traditional spiritual teachings. To that end we pledge our support and assistance in upholding the American Religious Freedom Act and within that legal precedent affirm the following:*

The rights of the Native Peoples to practice and participate in traditional ceremonies and rituals with the same protection offered all religions under the Constitution

Access to and protection of sacred sites and public lands for ceremonial purposes

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Hope for Children in Poverty: Profiles and Possibilities



This past summer, Judson Press published *Hope for Children in Poverty: Profiles and Possibilities*, edited by Ron Sider and Heidi Unruh. Since its release, *Hope for Children in Poverty* has accomplished a great deal, including:

- Gained national recognition as a finalist in the Social Change category of the National Best Books Awards 2007
- Been named the ABC Reads selection for 2007-2008

- Raised funds for the Children in Poverty initiative of National Ministries, American Baptist Churches USA

In addition to providing readers with a thorough analysis of the issues, *Hope for Children in Poverty* offers:

- The words of the children themselves in interviews, profiles, and poetry
- Practical solutions made possible through public policy and faith-based organizations.
- Stories of those who are already making a difference in the lives of poor and low-income children.

"We all have a stake in improving the lives of America's children, and for people of faith, this is more than just an opportunity: it is a mandate and a calling." —from the Foreword

There are more than 73 million children in the United States.

- 40%—29.2 million—live in low-income families
- 18%—13.5 million—live in poor families

—National Center for Children in Poverty, 2006 Fact Sheet

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Reminder: American Baptist Women's Ministries of the Pacific Northwest 2008-2009 SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE: January 30, 2008!

Thank You!

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Charlotte Scherer. These happy people make a special time of doing a job that is routine but necessary. We are thankful for them.

And we are particularly thankful for people who support us financially. Many send in gifts without our asking.

Those who have given gifts of \$1,000 or more:

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James Wilhoit

Thank You All!

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There were others who gave when the offering plate was passed at the Annual Meeting and who gave in other ways. We are indebted to all the wonderful people for your support. Without these supporters our ministry could not go forward. May their numbers multiply!



In Yosh's Words

(Letter dated November 30, 2007)

Dear Peter, Executive Committee, Evergreen Association, and ABC/USA:

Sue and I thank you for all your prayers, cards, phone calls and mail about my battle with cancer. It is always uplifting and gives me

energy and spiritual joy in doing God's will and ministry.

I am in the middle of going through Chemo and radiation treatments for the next 12 weeks and if successful, will go into surgery after that.

Miss you all and keep up

the vision and mission of Evergreen...



Christmas Joy and Peace,

Yosh

American Baptist Seminary of the West 2008 Pastoral Leadership Conference January 10–11, 2008

Theme—*Ministries of Reconciliation:
Biblical Imperatives for Our Time*

Featured speakers, Ched Myers and Elaine Enns, respected educators in the fields of conflict transformation and restorative justice, will engage conference participants in the content of a new book they are writing, *Ambassadors of Reconciliation: A Theology and Diverse Practices of Restorative Justice and Peacemaking*.

January 10, 2008 (6–9 pm includes dinner and lecture)

**Called to be Ambassadors of Reconciliation:
Witnessing to the Restorative Justice of God
January 11, 2008 (9 am–4 pm)**

**Ministries of Reconciliation: Biblical Imperatives
for Our Time**

Session #1—Seventy times Seven: Community Practices of Restorative Justice: Session #2—Abolishing Enmity: Political Practices of Restorative Justice

- Registration fee is only \$95 and includes meals and materials.
- Register online at www.absw.edu. For information contact Jodie Tooley at jtooley@absw.edu, or call 510/841-1905, x222.

Dear Evergreen Baptist Friends,

I hope you had a meaningful Christmas. "Peace on earth" was a reoccurring theme for me as I reflected not only on the lack of peace in the world, but also the lack of peace in the hearts of so many Japanese. As the year begins, my calendar tells me to be prepared to attend a different church each Sunday to encourage churches to participate in the new volunteer-missionary program I am piloting. Letters need to be written and arrangements need to be finalized for volunteers coming 2008. I'll continue an English Bible study aimed at people unfamiliar with the gospel, and begin a Japanese Bible study for a congregation experiencing internal problems.

Thank you so much for your prayers.

Roberta Stephens

Note: Roberta Stephens is a missionary to Japan serving with American Baptist International Ministries. She is also a member of Japanese Baptist Church, Seattle. You can learn more about Roberta from her new website, www.robortastephens.com.



can take generations. It was in the spirit of Dr. King’s dream that Evergreen was formed six year ago. When Evergreen (then known as “the new region”) was first forming and trying to decide what it was going to be about, we realized that we had a real opportunity. Unencumbered by the restraints of tra-

dition or convention, the vision team was challenged to dream big. We were encouraged to come up with a God sized vision; one that required a lot of faith and a lot of working together. It was then that we began to talk about a structure that really made a way for all voices to be heard. It was then that we

sought a way of functioning that didn’t result in winners and losers but a way that sought the mind of Christ and honored the whole body.

We have continued to think big and to dream God-sized dreams, seeking to be truly inclusive, truly missional and truly responsive to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

As we come into our 6th year as a region I wish to observe that none of these God sized dreams has been fully realized. They remain dreams that we have caught glimpses of. Yet, we press on toward the goals and aspirations the Spirit of God has given us.

Today I wish to challenge us to dream on! - To press on toward the goal! Our spiritual journey together is just getting started. The struggle we face now is complacency. It is my prayer that our passions for the dreams of Evergreen become ignited anew in the coming months as we come into a new year. May it be a year of deepening relationships, life changing mission work, and the pursuit of seemingly impossible dreams. After all, Christ specializes in the impossible.

God Bless,



Curtis

Please join us for the 2008

Thomas McCormick Science & Religion Lectures

Sunday, January 27, 2008, 7:00 pm

*“Common Ground on the Stem Cell Debate:
Reflections from Judaism, Christianity, & Islam”*
University Christian Church, NE 50th & 15th Ave. NE, Seattle



Monday, January 28, 2008, 7:00 pm

*“Religious Challenges
to Alternative Methods of Obtaining Stem Cells for Research”*
University of Washington School of Law



Suzanne Holland, PhD

Professor and Chair, Department of Religion
University of Puget Sound



The McCormick Science & Religion Lectureship seeks to foster communication within the academic and religious communities about issues of ethical and social importance. The lectureship honors Dr. Thomas McCormick, who has served the University of Washington community for over 30 years as a campus minister and faculty member of the Department of Medical History and Ethics.



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OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

More Than a Week 2008 (MTW) - National Gathering of American Baptist Youth



MtW is going to be a youth extravaganza like no other. It will be filled with wonderful worship, dynamic dramas, energetic speakers and thousands of youth and young adult leaders who are on fire for Christ. We are praying that MtW will impact you for life.

Meet us on the mountain for a conference that will challenge you to find ways that we can transform our

world. More than a Week...Equipped 4 Life.

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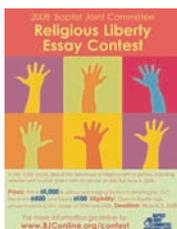
Also, the planning task force is looking for 200 young leaders who can be “witnesses to the youth who are gathered there as models of Christian living.” They need to be between the ages of 16 and 20 with the skills and maturity to take on this task. You can find more information about

more than a week at <http://www.nationalministries.org/mtw/index.cfm>

Thanks for giving this some thought and suggesting nominations. Peer Leader forms are available in the Evergreen office (253-859-2226).

Remember to encourage young people to register early. **If registration is done before January 15, 2008, registration fees can be paid by Evergreen!**

Baptist Joint Committee Announces 2008 Religious Liberty H.S. Essay Contest



WASHINGTON DC— To engage high school students in church-state issues and to generate interest

from a wide range of Baptists, the Baptist Joint Committee (BJC), has launched the 2008 Religious Liberty High School Essay Contest.

Open to all Baptist high school students in the classes of 2008 and 2009, the contest offers a grand prize of \$1,000 and a trip to Washington DC. Second prize is \$500, and third prize is \$100.

Winners will be announced in the summer of 2008 and will be featured in

the BJC’s flagship publication, *Report from the Capital*. The grand prize winner will be recognized at the BJC board meeting in Washington, DC on October 6, 2008. Judges reserve the right to present no awards or to reduce the number of awards if an insufficient number of deserving entries is received.

The 2008 topic asks students to discuss the relevance of religious faith to politics, including whether and to what extent faith should be an election issue in 2008. Essays must be between 700 and 1,000 words. All essays must be postmarked by March 3, 2008.

“...whether and to what extent faith should be an election issue in 2008.”

Essays that do not meet the minimum qualifications will not be judged. To download a registration form and a promotional flier, visit www.bjconline.org/contest. For more information, contact Phalan Davis at 202-544-4226 or email her at pdavis@bjconline.org.

New Baptist Covenant Celebration – Your Voice is Welcome

General Secretary of ABC/USA, A. Roy Medley calls our attention to what he's calling the largest, most historic event in Baptist history – the three-day celebration of a New Baptist Covenant, beginning January 30, 2008 in Atlanta GA.

On Tuesday, December 11th, The Atlanta Journal Constitution ran an opinion piece by former President Jimmy Carter that outlines the reasons and need for such a gathering. It contains a call to action that we cannot ignore. You can read it by clicking on this link:

www.ajc.com/opinion/content/opinion/stories/2007/12/10/cartered_1211.html

If you haven't already reserved your place at this unprecedented event, you can register (for free) at this link.

www.newbaptistcelebration.org/

Please also be sure you register as soon as possible for the (free) February 2nd American Baptist Breakfast at www.abc-usa.org/documents/nbc.htm. More than 300 people have already registered. Baptist World Alliance General Secretary Neville Callam will be our keynote speaker and our special guest will be Dr. Alan Bean, Executive Director of the Friends of Justice, a faith-based, grassroots organization that works to restore due process to all Ameri-

cans. Also on the ABCUSA website, you'll find materials which can be duplicated and distributed, such as church bulletins, to make sure that your fellow church members and friends know about the event and consider attending.

As a Baptist people who are committed to serving as the hands and feet of Christ, I urge you to join the larger Baptist community at this meeting to determine how, together, we can focus on new ways to fulfill Christ's mandate to share the Gospel.

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Letter to SHARE/WHEEL, TENT CITIES With Donation

Excerpt from a December 27, 2007 letter:

Dear Friends of SHARE/WHEEL, Tent Cities:

Greetings of peace and goodwill to you. Thank you for all you do to bring assistance to the homeless in King County.

With pleasure, it is my responsibility to pass along to you the enclosed check for

\$3,386.70, one-half the proceeds from our production of *Seussical*[™] on Saturday, November 17. Since this was the first year at such a venture we are most excited to pass this on to you before the year ends. Although we know in many ways it is a drop in the bucket of what is needed to wipe out homelessness, we also know

that it helps. We look forward to being of continued service both through our local churches and such ventures as *Seussical*[™] in the future.

May God continue to bless and keep you.

Grace and peace,
Marcia J. Patton

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The use of religious symbols (feathers, tobacco, sweet grass, bone, etc.) for use in traditional ceremonies and rituals.”

We will put copies of the 1987 and 1997 renewal up on our website so you can view the entire text.

After sharing in several opening ceremonies, we listened to stories told about the importance of this work 20 years ago. It was noted in the story telling that support was gained by the Snoqualmie as

they seek to save their sacred land including the falls and the Lummi as they sought to preserve their lands in the San Juan Islands, rather than have it go to developers. The apology has made a difference. But in the way of “Euro” memory, it has also been forgotten.

There were many suggestions that came at the end of two days of listening, working and being together. One of those suggests that I need to tell all our congregations about the apology and ask them to “make it real.” The Native Peoples kept tell-

ing us it is about relationship. It is about relationship. Have you found a nearby tribe recently and thanked them for preserving the land you now use? Have you asked them how you could pray for and help their tribe? It may be one thing for me to make relationships with a few tribal leaders, but we must all participate in order to make real our commitment to live together on this earth.



Comforting the Sick This Christmas [Mabudiga and Kihomi Nzunga](#), Missionaries to Haiti

Dear Loved Ones,

Greetings from all of us at the eye clinic. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

The clinic is full of people. The male doctor, Dr. Jacques Julien, is in the operating room working on some patients. The female doctor, Dr. Guerline Roney, is consulting patients. I am in and out of my office making sure everything is running smoothly. Coming out of the doctor's consulting room is a young girl of 19-years-old who has been struggling with glaucoma since 2001.

She is about to finish her high school. The doctor has just told the girl -- Celestin Junelle -- that she is losing her left eye. The tension is high and the sight is rapidly falling. Junelle cannot stop crying. Her mother who is with her cannot find words enough to comfort the crying girl. The whole clinic is almost in panic because of her cries.

I bring her in my office for a moment of quiet time and counseling, but the cries continue. Junelle is rapidly losing her left eye due to the financial situation of her parents, and their inability to pay for healthcare. Both of

them are jobless, and can not afford the treatment.

Many people here like Junelle will have a Christmas devoid of true meaning. They are struggling with losing their physical sight, or hunger, and diseases of all kinds.

We pray that this Christmas we can help some gain their spiritual sight, because without it, it is impossible to see the Son, the Prince of Peace.

Shalom!
Yours with gratitude,
Nzunga Mabudiga

Dually Aligned, AB/Lott Carey Foreign Mission Church Raises \$1 Million for Katrina Relief

VALLEY FORGE, PA (ABNS 12/07/07) — Fountain Baptist Church in Summit, NJ recently reached their goal of raising one million dollars for hurricane Katrina relief - six months before their scheduled two year deadline. The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University says that is the second largest donation by an individual church ever.

“I salute Fountain Baptist for their awesome accomplishment,” said Rev. Dr. A. Roy Medley, general secretary for American Baptist Churches USA (ABCUSA). “Their track record of generosity is well known and we celebrate all that God is doing for and through them.”

Rev. J. Michael Sanders, pastor of Fountain Baptist, said that the money went for job training, housing and aid to churches impacted by the storm. “After a while, people often forget certain things and people lose their commitment, their excitement

or concern,” Sanders said.

“When disaster strikes, the media provides us with an opportunity to see first-hand the impact on the affected community,” said Lisa Rothenberger, World Relief Officer for ABCUSA.

“Unfortunately, once immediate needs are met and the cameras leave, our collective attention is often drawn to the next disaster. It is all too common that the long-term needs of the affected are slowly forgotten by the world community.”

To combat this tendency, Fountain Baptist set its own deadline in May 2006 to raise one million dollars for ongoing hurricane relief within two years. They surpassed even their own expectations and did so in just eighteen months.

Recovery, however, will take years. Funds and volunteers are still critical. Victoria Goff, National Ministries' national coordinator of Volunteer Minis-

tries, reports a current need for volunteers both in Mississippi (Biloxi, Pearlinton and Pass Christian) and Louisiana (Baton Rouge and New Orleans). Also, plans are underway for a 2008 Blitz Build in Baton Rouge to construct five homes from April 28 to May 17.

“It is all too common that the long-term needs of the affected are slowly forgotten by the world community.”

Put simply, Patrice Edwards, a Fountain Baptist church member, said, “ There's still a lot of work that has to be done in that area. It's not like we met a goal and that's it.”

Fountain Baptist is dually aligned with the American Baptist Churches and the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention.

SPEAK UNTIL JUSTICE WAKES: 2008 J. Alfred Smith Sr. Institute for Prophetic Justice, OCTOBER 13-15, 2008, Oakland CA



National Ministries, in partnership with Allen Temple Baptist Church and American Baptist Seminary of the West (ABSW) are offering a teaching and preaching event October 13 – 15, 2008, for people with a passion for justice. Sessions for the Institute emphasizing the prophetic and pastoral ministry style of Dr.

J. Alfred Smith Sr. are to be held at Allen Temple, 8501 International Blvd in Oakland, and at the ABSW Seminary, located in Berkeley.

Keynote speakers include:

**Dr. J. Alfred Smith Sr.

**Congresswoman Barbara Lee

**Rev. Al Sharpton

**Dr. Kirk Byron Jones

**Dr. Marvin A. McMickle

**Dr. Obery Hendricks

**Dr. Iva Carruthers

**Dr. Cheryl Kirk Dugan

**Dr. Leslie Callahan

Registration material will be available in early March. Watch for it!



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

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Year!**

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 2008

- 4—Executive Committee Mtg.
- 19 Baptists—Who We Are & How We Do Things Workshop, First Baptist Church, Bountiful UT.
- 21—**Martin Luther King Jr. Day Worship Service, Peoples Institutional Baptist Church, 159 24th Ave, Seattle 98122, 6 PM**
- 26—**Association Board Meeting, Wedgwood**

FEBRUARY

- 15—16 TEAM, Executive Committee & Caucus Leadership Retreat

MARCH

- 15—**Association Board Meeting, Wedgwood, 9 AM**
- 3/30—4/2 Ministers Retreat, Camp Bethel

APRIL

- 18—20 PNW AB Women's Conference, Yakima
- 27-30 J. Alfred Smith, Sr./Raymond Bakke Empowerment Conference, Seattle Airport Hilton

MAY

- 31—**Association Board Meeting, Wedgwood, 9 AM**

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.