

EVERGREEN ASSOCIATION MINISTERS COUNCIL
ANNUAL RETREAT
CAMP BURTON – APRIL 19-21, 2009

*Arrive on Sunday afternoon + Devotions Monday morning
+ Meals begin with lunch on Monday
+ Festive dinner Monday night with social time + Program at 10 am Tuesday
+ Shared room, bath included for all participants*

Ministry and the Global Financial Crisis

Led by the Rev. Dr. Don Mackenzie

Though people are trying not to panic and acting as if everything is okay, things are definitely not okay. In fact, some are saying that what is before us is unprecedented: the collapse of the world economy, violence in the wake of massive unemployment and starvation, even a headline in our local paper saying that climate change will bring refugees from warmer climates to the Pacific Northwest. The truth of any of these statements is difficult to assess.

Three questions for pastors:

1. Is there an opportunity in this problem, in this crisis?
 - What are some examples from our tradition when problems have been made known to be opportunities?
2. How do we provide reassurance – using the authority of the Bible and the teachings of the tradition?
 - What examples from the Bible do we find for reassurance?
3. How, as religious leaders, at the same time can we challenge the status quo that has delivered us to this moment?
 - What examples are there from the Bible?

We welcome The Rev Dr. Don Mackenzie, former Lead Pastor of the University United Church of Christ, as our facilitator.

We hope you join us for this vital time of renewal and engagement!

Catherine, Clinton, and Tim

To Register: Email or Call Clem Winbush by April 10th.
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Cost: Members? **No charge.**
Others? Pay \$55 dues to the Council upon arrival