

Umoja - Unity-Oneness-Harmony

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Special thanks from Patricia Bluitt

Praise ye the Lord, I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation. Psalms 111:1

My presidency of the National Convocation Disciples Women's Ministry will come to an end in July 2010. I pray that I have served the National Convocation Women with my whole heart and that my service was pleasing to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I had a wonderful role model growing up and that was my mother Mrs. Irene Sims Quarles. I have known about Christian Women's Fellowship/Disciples Women's Ministry since my late teens into my young adult life. My mother held offices in her local church 13th Avenue Christian Church in Corsicana, TX and Texas Christian Missionary Fellowship. I know my passion for Women's Ministry was passed onto me by my mother.

It has been a labor of love to serve as your President for the past two years. My goals as President have been accomplished. We now have started a fund to help the National Convocation Women, we have stood together as Women of Faith and I hope we can get our women in our local churches to support the National Convocation women with their monetary gifts.

I want to encourage you to attend the Quadrennial Assembly in Greensboro, NC, June 23-27, 2010 held at the Koury Convention Center. I hope you all register early, you have chosen your workshops from the very impressive list and hope to see you soon.

The 21st Biennial Session of the National Convocation will convene July 29 – August 1, 2010 in Oklahoma City, OK at the Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center. I trust I will see each of you in Oklahoma. The Women's luncheon will be a success. We will need hostesses for the luncheon please let me know if you are interested in being a hostess you can email odw@dhm.disciples.org (put "hostess" in the subject line) We will also want to be a blessing to the community by bringing items for Positive Tomorrows—a local agency in Oklahoma. Please turn to Page 2 to find out which extra items to pack in your suitcase.

Once more, *thank you for your support* as your president and my journey to Israel/Palestine on the Woman-to-Woman Worldwide trip.

Yours in Christ, Patricia Q. Bluitt,
National Convocation Disciples Women's President



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21ST BIENNIAL SESSION
OF THE NATIONAL CONVOCAATION

“SAVED TO SERVE
LIVE all OUT”
HEBREWS 9:14

JULY 29 - AUGUST 1, 2010

Women's Activities at 21st Biennial. . .

**WOMEN'S LUNCHEON ,
FRIDAY, July 30, 2010
\$30.00**

**Purchase your tickets today:
CONTACT DORIS SPEAKS AT
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DSPEAKS@OGMP.DISCIPLES.ORG**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

TABLE HOSTESSES FOR WOMEN'S LUNCHEON HOSTESSES

FRIDAY JULY 29 AT NOON
REQUIREMENTS: LOVING SPIRITS
TO HELP SET UP AND WELCOME
SISTERS TO YOUR TABLE

EMAIL YOUR CONTACT INFO TO
ODW@DHM.DISCIPLES.ORG & PUT
CONVOCATION TABLE HOSTESS
IN THE SUBJECT LINE

WOMEN'S EXHIBIT BOOTH VOLUNTEERS

JULY 28 – AUGUST 1, 2010
GREET THE VISITORS WITH SMILES
AND SHARE INFORMATION THAT
WILL BE SUPPLIED AT TABLE. Sign
UP FOR AN HOUR OR TWO – IT'S UP
TO YOU! MAKE SURE BOOTH IS
NICE AND NEAT.

Here are the hours that the exhibit booth
is open.

**Thursday, July 29, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00
p.m.**

Friday, July 30, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, July 31, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00
p.m.**

Email your contact info to
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dren, Kindergarten through 5th grade.
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for a seamless transition into public
school as successful students and citizens.
Pack one or more of these items in your
luggage.. These are for girls & boys
grades K—5. Bring to the luncheon:

- * Socks and underwear
- * Khaki pants, skirts and walking shorts
- * Polo shirt—navy blue—long and short sleeves
- * Toiletries (full size—shampoo, etc. This will have to be in your checked luggage, not your carry on.)

Come to the Well

Meeting room 19
second floor

**National Convocation
DISCIPLES WOMEN
FELLOWSHIP MEETING**

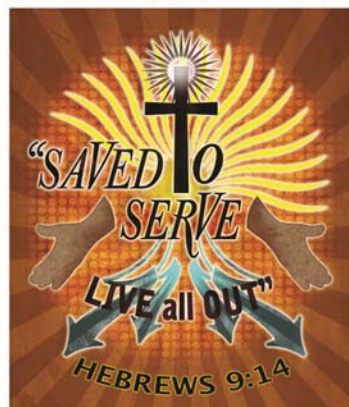
**Friday, July 30, 2010
2:00—4:00 PM**

**AFRICAN AMERICAN
CLERGYWOMEN
MEETING**

**Friday, July 30, 2010
4:15-5:15**

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Clergywomen President
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21ST BIENNIAL SESSION
OF THE NATIONAL CONVOCATION



JULY 29 - AUGUST 1, 2010

“Saved to Serve, Live all Out”

Uplifting preaching, melodious singing, invigorating resource groups, nurturing meals and heartfelt fellowship at the:

**Renaissance Convention Center Hotel,
10 North Broadway
Oklahoma City, OK 73102**

Call today (405) 228-8000.

The cutoff date for reduced lodging is **June 28, 2010**.
Latest information available in the Convocation newsletter, *Selah*,
and online at www.disciples.org/convo.

You are invited to subscribe . . .

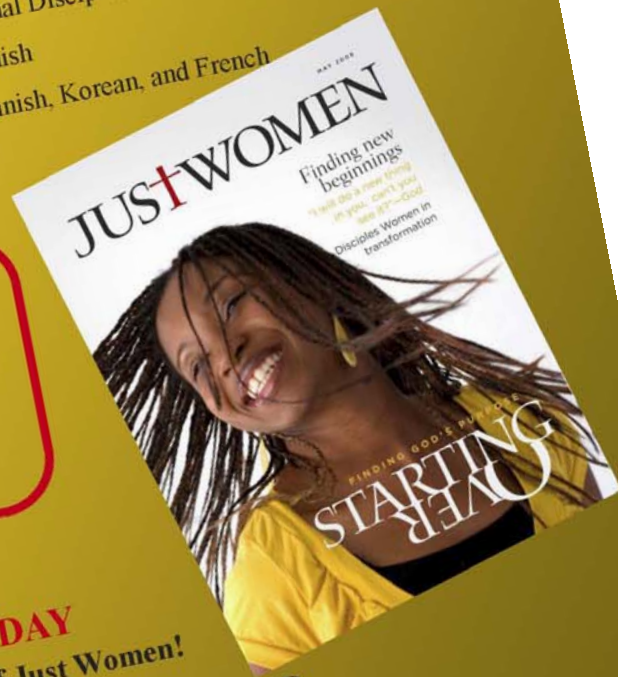
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- Devotions, meditations, and prayers
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21st Biennial Session of the National Convocation

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Sister Share



Cris Meadows was the winner of a 2010 Torch bearer award. This award is given by the Indiana Commission for Women by the State of Indiana. It is the highest award given to a woman in the state of Indiana

The Torchbearer Awards were created by the Indiana Commission for Women to recognize

Hoosier women who have overcome or removed barriers to equality or whose achievements have contributed to making our state a better place in which to live, work and raise a family.

Cris was nominated for her work as founder of Harvest Girls International, Inc. a women's and young girls' empowerment organization. Cris is a member of the Light of the World Christian Church in Indianapolis.

Pastoral Installation Congratulations to:

Rev. Valerie J. Melvin, on May 1, 2010, became the newly installed pastor of First Christian Church of Reidsville, NC

Rev. Brenda Etheridge, on February 1, 2010,, became the newly installed pastor of Unity Christian Church, Swartz Creek, MI.

Great Dates

June 23 to 27, 2010
Four Seasons Sheraton Koury Convention Center
Greensboro, NC

July 29 to August 1, 2010

National Convocation
Renaissance Convention Center Hotel
Oklahoma City, OK
Women's Luncheon

July 30, 2010

October / November 2010
Woman-to-Woman Worldwide - Turkey



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