



# DIOCESE OF SASKATOON

*The Anglican Church of Canada*

As a diocese of Anglican Christian disciples, we seek to be lively and welcoming communities of faith who serve God and serve others. Our parishioners will be prayerful, grounded in Scripture, welcoming and attentive to the needs and aspirations of our neighbours.

APRIL, 2011

## HOLD IN PRAYER

- Glen Burgomaster
- Dr. William Winter passed away on March 31, 2011 at age 91.

The Dr. William Winter School was named for William who is credited with spearheading community based theological education for northern clergy. The Dr. William Winter School of Ministry is a community-based program accredited with the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Saskatoon.

Archdeacon William Winter, received an honorary doctorate of divinity from Winnipeg's St. John's College in 1991, and was responsible for the TAIP (originally Train an Indian Priest, now known as Train an Indigenous Priest) program which began in 1972 and trained many indigenous Keewatin clergy.

Memorial gifts are being received by the Diocese of Keewatin on behalf of the Dr. William Winter School of Ministry.

### **In Praise and Thanksgiving for our Refugee Family:**

For all those who knew the 4 long years of struggle to re-connect Patience Kenyi (Lado and Mary's daughter) with her young daughter, Audrey, in Uganda, today is a landmark day of thanksgiving. On April 1, 2011. Audrey was granted a visa to enter Canada and she has Canadian landed immigrant status. This is a miracle for the whole family, who have had to bear such a huge burden for so long.

## DIOCESAN NEWS AND EVENTS

### **Dragon Tale's Den**

for parents and children 0-6 years old

Stories, play, crafts, and snacks

1st and 3rd Thursdays

St. George's Anglican Church Hall 624 Ave. I S. 242-7973

### **Community Coffee House**

All are welcome to join us Tuesdays and Thursdays

8am - 12 noon  
Coffee, Muffins, and Fellowship  
St. George's Anglican Church Hall  
624 Ave I S. 242-7973

**St. George's Annual Spring Garage Sale**  
Friday, April 29 - 2pm - 8pm  
Saturday, April 30 - 9am - 2pm  
624 Ave I S 242-7973

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### **Happening at St. James' with the Refinery-**

**Redefining Church** is regular 7pm Sunday evening gathering in the church. It is an informal gathering of 15 to 25 people, sitting in a candlelit circle, with music led by our youth band Reaching Out, reading and group reflection on the day's gospel, and a gentle time of prayer. People of all ages come, with youth and young adults especially well represented.

**The St. James' Farmers' Market and International Bazaar** brings people and energy into the church every Wednesday, 11am to 6pm. Delicious food is available for sit down lunch or to take home. We are delighted that some of the vendors have organized a monthly drop-in for international students. International Drop-Ins are held on the second Sunday of every month, 2-5pm, in the lower level of the church. Sunday School children are responding positively to a new program called **Godly Play**. Check out some the Godly Play videos on the internet. You will be amazed!

**Refining Readers** is a group that meets one Saturday a month for a pizza lunch and discussion of books about faith, theology, ethics and social values. The next meeting is on Saturday, April 16, 12-1:230pm, in Haslam Hall. Copies of selected passages, from *The Last Week: A Day-by-Day Account of Jesus' Final Week in Jerusalem* by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan, are now available on the table at the back of the church. Newcomers, from the parish and beyond, are always welcome.

**Imaginarium** Join St James youth band, the Secret Circus, and other incredible performers for this whimsical evening of entertainment. We are raising money to support young people in Uganda. April 9, 7pm, by donation.

**Refinery Classes** spring registrations are well underway, check the website to register for classes ranging from yoga, to cooking, acting, creative dance, Lamaze and more!

**Refinery Performances** Keep your eyes peeled for upcoming concerts and theatre productions through "On the Boards"...

# 5 Nights in Lent

March 16 - April 13

Wednesdays at **St Matthew's**  
(corner of Egbert & 109th)

*join us for any or all of...*

6 PM

**EAST MEETS WEST** Potluck Supper  
with folk from Christ Church & across the city

7 PM

**Taizé**

contemplative and musical worship

7:45 PM

**sacred steps**

**5 ways  
to renew your  
spiritual  
journey**



## Diocesan Youth Event

Anglican Diocese of Saskatoon participation in the citywide ecumenical Way of the Cross. Good Friday 10:00am.

Our group will be offering prayers at the second station and carrying the cross for part of the procession.

To sign up your youth group contact Emily Carr, Diocesan Youth Coordinator, [sayouth@sasktel.net](mailto:sayouth@sasktel.net)

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**St. Timothy's and Augustana Lutheran**

**1201 Broadway Avenue S.**

**Present**

**"The Reason for God"**

**DVD Series**

***Conversations on Faith and Life.* Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 pm: March 30; April 6, 13, 27; May 4, 11.**  
Pastor David and Rev. Ken will be co-leaders and the sessions will be held in the context of evening prayer.

Pastor and author Timothy Keller meets with a group of skeptics over six sessions to debate their doubts and questions about Christianity. Using literature, philosophy, real-life experiences and constant reference to the Bible, Keller explains how the belief in a Christian God is a sound and rational one.

Filmed live and unscripted as Keller interacts with the group, this curriculum models the way in which Christians can address the six most common questions from skeptics. It also provides the resources for Christians to meet with their own group.

**V/D Session Titles and Descriptions**

**March 30** Isn't the Bible a Myth? Hasn't Science Disproved Christianity?

**April 6** How Can You Say There is Only One Way to God? What About Other Religions?

**April 13** What Gives You the Right to Tell Me How to Live My Life? Why Are There So Many Rules?

**April 27** Why Does God Allow Suffering? Why Is There So Much Evil in the World?

**May 4** Why is the Church Responsible for So Much Injustice? Why Are Christians Such Hypocrites?

**May 11** How Can God Be Full of Love and Wrath at the Same Time? How Can God Send Good People to Hell?

For more information, please contact the Rev. Ken Watts at 343-1332.

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**Parkland Parish Happenings**

April, 3rd, 5 p.m. Spring Supper at St. Andrew's, Maidstone

April 23rd, 7 p.m. Experience Easter Program at St. Andrew's, Maidstone

April 24th 7 a.m. Sunrise Service at Lashburn Golf Course, followed by Continental Breakfast in church hall.

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## **Traditional Lenten and Holy Week Services at All Saints' Saskatoon**

Stations of the Cross, Wednesday April 13 at 7:30 p.m.

Tenebrae Service Wednesday April 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 21 Service 7:30 p.m. (No 5:00 p.m. service this week only)

Good Friday Liturgy, April 22 at 11:00 a.m.

Easter Even or Holy Saturday Service, 8:00 p.m.

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### **Seniors Lunch St. George's, Battleford**

The Friendship Committee invites all Seniors to join them for Lunch on the **first Monday of each month**. Please join St. George's for a wonderful opportunity to fellowship over a light but delicious lunch.

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### **Healing Service Battle River Parish**

All are welcome to the monthly Healing Service with Anointing and Laying on of hands. This moving and important service alternates between the two Battle River parishes **on a monthly basis**. Please contact the Rev. Peter Norman at (306) 445-4155 or by e-mail at [stpaulnb@sasktel.net](mailto:stpaulnb@sasktel.net) for dates and times.

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## **INTEGRITY MEETING, SUNDAY APRIL 10, 2011**

Your presence is earnestly requested at the April meeting of Integrity. Like other organizations advocating for the rights of sexual-minority people, the course of Integrity/Saskatoon has been affected by changes in the social climate of Canada. The Executive met Sunday 27 March to assess the situation. It was noted that, while there is greater acceptance of our people in the Church, we still have not achieved full equality, which is our mandate. For example, same-gender couples cannot be married in the church, nor can openly gay Anglicans be ordained. At the same time, attendance at the meetings is irregular for many, our numbers are static, and a small group of people is doing the work to keep the organization viable.

Perhaps we wish to become a social club. Or maybe we realize that, as a persecuted minority, we have a contribution to make in raising the Church's understanding of the Gospel. We could consider meeting on a quarterly basis and becoming an educational resource for the Church. In any case, we need your input at the meeting in order to make some very important decisions which will shape the destiny of Integrity for the next several years. **Please make every effort to attend the meeting.**

**Sunday, April 10, 7:00pm, at St. James' Anglican Church, 607 Dufferin Avenue. Enter through the Southeast door.**

Tom Rogers, Secretary Integrity/Saskatoon

## **Saskatoon Children's Choir In Concert**

### **"Cantus Populi: Songs of the People"**

The Saskatoon Children's Choir presents "Cantus Populi: Songs of the People", on Friday, April 15, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at Third Avenue United Church in Saskatoon.

On the program are choral works by Claude Debussy, Paul Halley, Z. Randall Stroope, as well as Canadian composers Peter Tiefenbach, Mark Sirett, Stephen Hatfield and others.

In the finale, the 125 voices of the Saskatoon Children's Choir choristers will be joined by four guest church choirs from around Saskatoon in an inspiring rendition of Oscar Peterson's Hymn to Freedom.

The Saskatoon Children's Choir has earned an international reputation for artistic excellence and creative performance practices that are focused on initiatives promoting global understanding. The choir has performed on choral stages in Europe, Asia, the United States and across Canada, and is currently preparing for a performance/humanitarian tour of South Africa in July 2011.

Tickets are \$20 and are available at McNally Robinson Booksellers, and at the door. Reserved seating.

For more information, contact

Rita McLeod, SCC GM and Communications

Phone (306) 374-8077, email: [ritamcleod@shaw.ca](mailto:ritamcleod@shaw.ca)

Or visit the SCC website at [www.saskatoonchildrenschoir.org](http://www.saskatoonchildrenschoir.org)

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## **Renewal of Baptismal Vows, Renewal of Priestly Vows and Blessing of Oils**

The Maundy Thursday Service of the renewal of baptismal vows, renewal of priestly vows and blessing of oils will be held on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:30 am in the Cathedral.

Clergy the liturgical color will be white (alb and white stole). Vesting will take place in the Cathedral Parish Hall. You are invited to bring your own oil stocks for replenishing.

Members of all parishes are invited to join their clergy as they renew their priestly vows. The service will be followed by a light lunch of soup and sandwiches in the Cathedral Hall. Please let Lorea at the Diocesan Office know that you will be attending by calling 244-5651 or by e-mail [anglicansynod@sasktel.net](mailto:anglicansynod@sasktel.net)

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## **Beth Marie Murphy is retiring!**

**Please join us for a celebration to honor Beth Marie's work for the**

**College of Emmanuel and St. Chad,  
to say goodbye to a beloved colleague and friend,  
and to wish her well in her new home in Kamloops.**

**What: Come and Go Wine and Cheese**  
**When: Thursday, May 5 from 4:00 – 6:00 pm**  
**Where: 114 Seminary Crescent**  
**Lower Level Cafeteria**

Please RSVP to Maureen Scale by Wednesday April 27 so we will know the numbers planning to attend and can purchase the wine and cheese accordingly. Thank you.

**We are compiling a book of Greetings/Congratulations/Memories for Beth Marie. If you are interested in this, please send your input to Maureen Scale at [maureen.scale@usask.ca](mailto:maureen.scale@usask.ca) by Monday April 18. This will give us some time to put it all together and have it bound. Thank you.**

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## Cursillo

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,


We are looking for Palanca (Agape). Our community is just getting started. This is our 3rd weekend. We are a 4th Day Anglican Community called Tres Arroyos, in the Diocese of Delmarva (includes the parts of Delaware and Maryland on the Eastern side of the Chesapeake Bay, USA). Our weekend will be on May 19-22.


DeColores, Laurie Lipsey

[l.lipsey@comcast.net](mailto:l.lipsey@comcast.net)

*Illuminations presents an evening of celebrating culture, worship and faith*

Friday April 15<sup>th</sup> Doors open at 6:00pm  
Indian and Métis Friendship Centre

 **Richard Twiss**, author of *One Church Many Tribes* and *Dancing our Prayers*, international speaker, activist and founder of WICON International, a member of the Sicangu Band of the Rosebud Lakota/Sioux Tribe and adjunct professor at Sioux Falls Seminary and George Fox University, will be speaking and sharing on his journey and culture.

Music by: Aboriginal recording artist, Becky Thomas, a woman of Cherokee and Celtic blood from Bristol, TN.  
Now living and ministering in Saskatoon, SK. 

*Special Guests - Johnny Marceland, The Peder Clan, and other artists performing*

*Come enjoy a celebration of community, culture, spirituality and abundant life!*  
Bannock and refreshments served  
For more information contact 934-3371

This is an invite to join us as we hear Richard Twiss on Friday, April 15 @ 6 p.m. at the Indian and Metis Friendship Centre in Saskatoon (located at 168 Wall Street, Saskatoon, SK.) Free Admission. I have included part of Richard's webpage to give you a brief intro to who Richard Twiss is. I have read one of his books and enjoy his views on Christianity and how we can still be native and maintain our own identities. This is an invite to anyone who wishes to participate in hearing Richard's heart whether you are non-native or native – I recommend him.

This event is being put on by a local storytelling/music group called "Illuminations" in Saskatoon who have been meeting once a month to express and share cultural songs and stories from the hearts of local people within Saskatoon. This is based out of a church "Courts of Praise" which is a Four-Square church (non-denominational). I am working in conjunction with Becky Thomas who is putting on this event.

The following link is to a map of our location where the meeting will be held. I look forward to seeing you there I may even attempt cooking and bring a bannock with me!!! If you would like to volunteer for this event please email me and let me know. Please invite or pass along this invitation to those you feel may be interested in this.

Jean Hill

<http://search.mysask411.com/page/SK/saskatoon/indian-and-metis-friendship-centre/15-106222.html#mapdirections> Map

**"we-cho-nee" Lakota/Sioux language meaning "Life"**

**HECEL LENA OYATE KIN NIPI KTE  
THAT THESE PEOPLE MAY LIVE**

At Wiconi International we believe the possibility exists to experience a better life in our broken world. We seek to live and walk among all people in a good way by following the ways of Jesus-- affirming, respecting and embracing the God-given cultural realities of Native American and Indigenous people, not rejecting or demonizing these sacred cultural ways.

**The thief comes only to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. John 10:10**

These words of the Creator do not bring religion, legalism, shame, oppression or paternalism, though sadly, Christianity often does. Our prayer is that people will experience life in abundance for their spirit, soul and body!

As First Nations or Native American people we know what it means to suffer the loss of land, dignity, self-respect, life and a way of living. Though this has sadly become the every day reality for so many of our people, our aim is help create a better future for Native people.

Our desire is to serve Native people; to walk together in discovering genuine freedom and to experience

spiritual power to overcome the influences of darkness that oppress our lands and communities. This evil is seen in alcohol and drug abuse, the wickedness of incest, poverty, despair and the horrors of suicide. There are dark and evil spirits that are stealing, killing and destroying our people every day. In addition, there are oppressive and unjust economic and political systems that continue to prolong dependency and control.

On this website you will find resources to educate and inspire you to walk among Native American and Indigenous people in a way that reflects the life of Jesus in a culturally relevant and contextual way.

Pilamaya yelo - thank you!

Richard & Katherine Twiss, Sicangu Lakota Oyate, Rosebud Sioux Tribe

Co-founders, Wiconi International [www.wiconi.com](http://www.wiconi.com)

*RETURNING TO SPIRIT*

# *WELCOME to the RTS Aboriginal Workshop*



*Monday to Friday, May 9 – 13, 2011*

**Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre**

*Box 210 Beausejour, MB R0E 0C0 Contact: Norah McMurtry  
mcmurtry@efree.mb.ca*

**Phone: 204-268-3913**

**Fax: 204-268-4463**

## **PARTICIPATION**

- **Commitment to full participation in every session is a pre-requisite.**
- You will be asked to use your personal life experiences to explore your relationship to the issues of Residential Schools and more.

**Sessions go from 9 am to 5 pm Monday to Thursday and from 9 am to 3 pm Friday. There are evening assignments.**

**Cost Workshop Fees (\$200) + Live-In Rate (\$405)**

(4 nights accommodation, meals Mon– Fri) **Total: \$605** Workshop Fees (\$200) + Commuter Rate (\$165) **Total: \$365**

Limited accommodation is available **Sunday & Friday evening**. Please contact us if you will need to stay over on those dates to ensure a room. Room rate \$60/night.) A non-refundable deposit of \$100 is required upon registration. Make **cheque payable** to Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre

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## May 17 - 19, 2011 "CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP IN ANXIOUS TIMES:

How to be Calm and Courageous No Matter What" , is the 4th annual Western Canada Summer Training Institute for Church Leaders sponsored by Conciliation Services Canada. This ecumenical event will be led by the Rev. Dr. **Peter Steinke**, internationally renowned congregational systems consultant, Lutheran pastor, educator, therapist, and Alban Institute author, at the Providence Renewal Centre in **Edmonton, May 17 to 19, 2011**. Both lay and clergy leaders are encouraged to attend.

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## Eldership Unleashed: An interdenominational conference to equip elders and lay leaders for mission and ministry

Theme Speaker: Bruce Fraser  
Synod Mission Advisor for the Synod of Otago & Southland,  
Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand.

May 26-29, 2011

Forbes Church - 9635 76<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Grande Prairie AB  
see attached pdf for conference brochure, or visit:

<http://pccweb.ca/eldershipunleashed/details/>

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## 2011 Summer School - College of Emmanuel & St. Chad

for Ancient Languages and Literature  
Study the languages and writings of the Ancient Church on the banks of the beautiful Saskatchewan River. Complete a full year of the following ancient and medieval languages in two three-week intensive sessions.  
Biblical Hebrew | Hellenistic (New Testament) Greek  
Classical Latin | Church Slavonic | Coptic  
*Part I: May 9-27 Part II: June 6-24*

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Praying with the Giants:  
Reading Ancient Texts in Retreat  
**Topic:** *Integration and Fragmentation in the Spiritual Life:*  
*Evagrius Ponticus, John Cassian, and Maximus the Confessor*  
Learn contemplative prayer from three ancient masters of the spiritual life, with daily Office, Eucharist, and an opportunity for Spiritual Direction. (This course is also open to anyone wishing to learn the ancient practice of *lectio divina* without earning academic credit.)  
**Instructor:** *Kevin Corrigan, Samuel Candler Dobbs Professor of Interdisciplinary Humanities and Director of*

*the Graduate Institute of the Liberal Arts, Emory University*

**Spiritual Director:** *Walter Hannam, Professor of Theology and Anglican Studies, College of Emmanuel & St Chad*

*May 31-June 5*

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Also offered this summer:

A Cross-Cultural Immersion Experience in Vietnam

Hosted by The Rev'd Dr Canon Beth Marie Murphy

*July 25-August 15*

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**For more information or to register, contact:**

**Colleen Walker, Registrar [colleen.walker@usask.ca](mailto:colleen.walker@usask.ca) (306) 975-1558**

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### **Vital Church Planting West Conference 2011: "reChurch – Take Another Look"**

Mission-minded church leaders from many denominations across western Canada will come together to view church with fresh eyes at the Vital Church Planting West Conference, "reChurch - Take Another Look".

The VCP West Conference, hosted by the Anglican Diocese of Edmonton, will be held **May 26-28, 2011**, at Concordia University College in Edmonton, AB.

"The history of the church in the West is still very young and I think that there are areas in which we can lead," says Diocese of Edmonton Bishop Jane Alexander. "It is time for old stereotypes to be challenged; for us as members of the church to really believe that our church is here to stay; and that in Christ we offer something that is vital to our communities."

The VCP West conference will address the challenges and needs of church in western Canada, generating discussion about rural and indigenous ministry, urban development, family and children's ministry, and more.

"With the great variety of speakers and workshops this conference offers, I think that people at every level of involvement and leadership (laity and clergy) will find useful tools and be encouraged about the future of the church," says Bishop Alexander.

The conference, co-sponsored by the Wycliffe College School of Evangelism, will feature keynote addresses by the Bishop of Sheffield Steven Croft, a leader in Fresh Expressions; and Pastor Beth Fellingner, an experienced urban, suburban and rural church planter and Director of Family and Children's Ministries at Oakridge Presbyterian Church in London, ON.

Participants will be able to choose from a variety of workshops, led by: David Ashdown, Thomas Brauer, Jonathan Connell, Steven Croft, Beth Fellingner, Oz Lorentzen, Lydia Mamakwa, Darryl Muth, Myron Penner, Nick Trussell, David Von Bieker, and Tim Wray.

Individuals registering before March 31, 2011, will receive the Early Bird rate of \$230/person. Groups of three or more will also be able to register for \$230/person. After March 31<sup>st</sup>, individual fees will increase by \$50/person. A special student rate of \$120 is also available. Meals are included in the registration fee.

Register online at [www.vitalchurchplanting.com/west](http://www.vitalchurchplanting.com/west).

A limited number of rooms are available on campus at Concordia College for \$30/person. If interested, please email your name, conference name, and the number of nights you are requesting, along with your contact information to: [darren.beach@concordia.ab.ca](mailto:darren.beach@concordia.ab.ca).

For more information, please visit [www.vitalchurchplanting.com/west](http://www.vitalchurchplanting.com/west).

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## MINISTRY VOICES 2011

“Ministry Voices”, a three day event for those involved in ministry or who care deeply about ministry, is happening again **June 26-29, 2011** at Knox United Church Saskatoon. Registrations are now arriving with the early registration period ending on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Founded by the Clifford Elliot Spirit of Saskatchewan Trust Fund, Ministry Voices 2011 will welcome Bruce and Kate Epperly as our theme presenters, speaking to the theme of “Practice God’s Presence in the Everyday Tasks of Ministry.” Wind down into summer with this time of theological reflection and practical counsel in the everyday tasks of ministry. In addition to the theme presentations you can look forward to good music, presentations from colleagues, good dialogue, inspiring worship, good friends and the beauty of Saskatoon in summer.

Full detail and printable registration forms are available at [www.ministryvoices.org](http://www.ministryvoices.org) or by calling Knox United Church, Saskatoon at 306-244-0159.

### The Appreciative Way Newsletter

March 2011

#### Being a Change Agent or an Agent of Transformation

The declining Church needs more than change...  
The declining Church needs Transformation!

What the Church needs today is Leaders who are Agents of Transformation not Change Agents.

There are two types of change: incremental change and transformational change. What is the difference?

#### Restoring Hope

Use the Appreciative Way to rapidly and effectively resolve

**Painful Memories**  
**Grief**  
**Resentment**  
**Shame and guilt**

This is not a book about the need for hope!

In incremental change we change the surface relationships but the underlying paradigm is not changed.

In transformation the surface relationships are not the focus, the underlying paradigm or way of understanding the world is changed.

By way of analogy: incremental organizational change is akin to moving chess pieces around a chess board, organizational transformation occurs when we change the chess board which constrains the way the chess pieces can relate to each other.

St. Paul's experience on the Damascus road is an example of transformation. Nothing is changed, but everything is different. There has been a shift in consciousness that leads to new life and possibilities.

When a church is declining people often go into survival mode, they work harder and harder to have less of what they don't want. But working harder at what is not working will not bring life it will only get you dead quicker.

A declining church doesn't need less death, it needs life. The Good News is that Jesus didn't come to give us less death, he came to give us life! This is the work of transformation.

In order for transformation to occur three things must happen:

- . People need a new awareness and or understanding of the nature of God. You can't have new life without a new understanding of the Life-Giver.

Notice how all revivals both in history and

This book will **teach you how** to resolve the consequences of distressing events.

### **Contents**

208 pages of healing strategies and scripts.

Access to online resources.

**Cost:** \$39.95

For details and purchasing see: [Restoring Hope: Appreciative Strategies to Resolve Grief and Resentment](#)

### **What Readers Say:**

"Rob Voyle has produced the most comprehensive manual for dealing with the consequences of serious negative life events. Logically organized into easy to follow stages, Restoring Hope provides a large number of tried and tested techniques and processes essential for any clinician working in the therapeutic field." *Andy Austin, author, The Rainbow Machine: Tales from a Neurolinguist's Journal*

"This book is filled with things you can actually do to actually heal from grief and resentment. Whether you use this book on your own, as a member of group, or to help others, you will find here a resource rich with hands-on and effective strategies for healing. *James*

our personal lives begin with a fresh experience of the nature of God. In the secular world organizational transformation occurs when there is new understanding of what is truly life-giving to the organization and life is organized around these core life-giving values.

That new experience has to be shared one to one in the telling of stories about what God is doing. (Sometimes the story telling may be one to many, but in the moment of telling it has to become personal between two people.)

Christianity didn't grow because 11 guys got together in a room and took an anonymous survey and 10 voted for the resurrection. Christianity flourished because people shared their stories of encountering the risen Lord and how he had transformed their lives. The sharing of stories helps us to weave our own personal story into the great story of God.

Transformation requires sustained breaking of rules, whether they be civic rules such as acts of civil disobedience, or cultural, religious, and familial rules that keep us trapped in doing things the old way.

The breaking of rules changes the underlying patterns or relationships of how we organize our lives and our communities. Einstein once said we cannot solve a problem with the mindset that created it.

We cannot solve the decline of the church with the paradigm or the rules that created the decline. While those rules may have worked once they now restrict life. Transformation begins when we have the

*Finley, author, Merton's Palace of Nowhere and The Contemplative Heart*

## **Appreciative Way Training**

### **Intro. to Appreciative Inquiry**

Kansas City, KS. Mar. 28-30  
Seattle, WA Jun. 20-22

### **Intro. to Transitional Ministry**

Seattle, WA Jun. 22-24  
*Using appreciative strategies in transitional ministry settings.*

### **Restoring Hope**

Kansas City, KS. Mar. 30-Apr. 1  
*Learn how to resolve grief and resentment.*

### **Appreciative Leadership Coaching Competent Leaders**

Mahwah, NJ. May 23-27  
Chicago, IL. Jun. 6-10  
*Develop your core competencies of effective leadership.*

### **Advanced Coaching**

Chicago, IL. Nov. 7-11  
*Learn the strategies for growing competence and transforming self-image.*

### **Continuing Ed. Credit**

The Clergy Leadership Institute is approved by the **American Psychological Association** to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Clergy Leadership Institute maintains

courage to break the rules in the light of the new understanding we have of God's love.

If you want to learn more and develop your Transformational Leadership skills I invite you to attend one of our Appreciative Inquiry based training programs at the Clergy Leadership Institute:

### **Free Tele-Seminar:**

#### **Transformational Leadership**

March 10, 9:00-10:15 am. PST

For more information please see:

[Transformational Leadership Tele-Seminar](#)

### **Appreciative Inquiry Based Inquiry Training**

#### **Introduction to Appreciative Inquiry**

Leavenworth Kansas, March 28-30, 2011

Seattle, WA. Jun. 20-22

Learn the Appreciative Way and the transformational power of:

Knowing your purpose

Asking Great Questions

Using the three faces of Compassion:

Tenderness, Fierceness, and

Mischievousness.

#### **Restoring Hope: Resolving Grief and Resentment**

Leavenworth Kansas, March 30-April 1, 2011

Learn how to lead people from being a victim, to a survivor, and to a thriver

responsibility for this program and its content.

The Clergy Leadership Institute is a **National Board for Certified Counselors** (NBCC) Approved Continuing Education Provider (ACEPT) and may offer NBCC approved clock hours for events that meet NBCC requirements. The Clergy Leadership Institute solely is responsible for all aspects of the program.

See our [helpful, healing, and humorous](#) approach to continuing education and training

#### **What Participants Say:**

"Rob will enhance your ability to delight in yourself, your neighbor and God through his insightful, practical, loving, professionally grounded, appreciative and often mischievous coaching and teaching skills; and that will make you a better leader and citizen in God's creation." *Ed Leidel, Episcopal Bishop and Congregational Coach*

**Appreciative Leadership for Transformation**

Mahwah, NJ. May 23-27  
Chicago, IL. Jun. 6-10

Learn the core competencies of Transformational Leadership. Program includes pre-training leadership assessment.

**Appreciative Transitional Ministry**

Seattle, WA. Jun. 22-24

Learn how to appreciatively join a congregation and engage in congregational development. For more information about our Appreciative Way Training programs please see: [Appreciative Way Training](#)

With blessings on your life and work  
Rob Voyle  
Director, Clergy Leadership Institute

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***Attuned Organs***

Website: [attunedorgans.weebly.com](http://attunedorgans.weebly.com)  
Mobile: 306-292-4584  
Services: Tuning, restoration, voicing, and more...  
Pricing: competitive, economical, worth taking a look.  
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**The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund.**

**Mission Statement**

As an instrument of faith, PWRDF connects Anglicans in Canada to communities around the world in dynamic partnerships to advance development, respond to emergencies, assist refugees and act for positive change.

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### 1. CEDEHM wins Hermila Galindo Award

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PWRDF partner, Centro de Derechos Humanos de las Mujeres, the Centre for Women's Human Rights (CEDEHM), in Mexico has been honoured with a Hermila Galindo Award. The prestigious award honours individuals and Civil Society Organizations that have contributed to the development of a culture of respect for the rights of Mexican women. [Read more...](#)

### 2. 'We think we're in control of our lives...'

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*Marites N. Sison*

*Staff Writer Anglican Journal*

In the midst of the turmoil and chaos that ensued after the Feb. 22 earthquake that devastated Christchurch, New Zealand, a calm, reassuring woman was being interviewed on a New Zealand radio station.

She talked about the extensive damage to churches and property that she saw. But, mostly, she stressed the importance of caring for the people who had been traumatized by the disaster. That voice belonged to Victoria Matthews, Bishop of Christchurch... [Read more...](#)

### 3. Anglicans 'polarized' on some issues; FRED HILTZ: Archbishop visits The Friendly City and discusses variety of topics

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*Jason Miller*

*Belleville Intelligencer*

The head of the Anglican Church of Canada is impressed with the direction in which the Belleville parish is moving. Archbishop Fred Hiltz, the primate of the Anglican Church of Canada spent the weekend in the Friendly City discussing the future of the church and presided over a Sunday service at St. Thomas Anglican Church. Saturday evening, Hiltz met with about 100 parishioners at St. Thomas to share his views on the outreach work being done by the church in Haiti. [Read more...](#)

### 4. Conseil canadien pour les réfugiés/ Canadian Council for Refugees

**Celebrate refugee rights in Canada this April 4th!**

**Guaranteeing life, liberty, security and humanity for refugees in Canada – 25 years after Singh Moment in Sudanese Churches' Work for Peace**

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*The Canadian Council for Refugees is a non-profit umbrella organization committed to the rights and*

*protection of refugees in Canada and around the world and to the settlement of refugees and immigrants in Canada.*

This April 4th reach out to your community about refugee rights. Here you'll find all you need to speak out about refugee rights this Refugee Rights Day. This includes suggestions and materials to alert the Canadian public, members of the media and politicians to advances made in the protection of refugee rights as a result of the Singh decision, as well as to threats to those rights. [Read more...](#)

### **5. PWRDF Partner in Sri Lanka wins recognition for its work on Sustainable Ecological Agriculture**

T. M. J. Sarath Fernando, the Moderator of PWRDF partner agency Movement for National Land and Agricultural Reform ([MONLAR](#)) in Sri Lanka has been awarded the prestigious [Nanjundaswamy Award for Lifetime Achievement](#) for his contributions in promoting sustainable ecological agriculture with marginal farmers in Sri Lanka. Sarath got involved in social movements as a young university student in 1971, when Sri Lankan youth launched a revolt in order to take over state power and bring about a just society. As a result Sarath spent five years in jail and did not complete his university degree. Upon release from jail he dedicated his life to full time political work with a peasants' movement called the All Lanka Peasants Congress as he believed that peasants were a key constituency to bring about social change in Sri Lanka. Sarath's career path reflects a life committed to marginalized sections of society and ecology. In 1978 he became the research hand of SEDEC (Social and Economic Development Centre) followed by eleven years at the Devasarana Development Centre, a place for inter-religious dialogue on development issues and leadership training. MONLAR was founded by Sarath in 1990 as a training institute for farmers and to conduct greater analysis and deeper studies of ecological farming for peasants in Sri Lanka and South Asia. MONLAR has been in partnership with PWRDF since its founding.

Sarath now has 40 years of experience as an activist in the peasant movement. He visualizes a better society and a dignified life for all human beings by living in harmony with nature. He strongly believes that peasants need to take the path of sustainable, organic agriculture which will not only regenerate the capacity of Mother Nature but also the capacity of human beings to live better lives and to develop equal relationships with each other. With this vision he urges the peasants of Sri Lanka and the world to continue their struggle for land reform and to feed humanity, which is their fundamental and moral right. [Read more...](#)

### **6. KAIROS Invitation: Voices of Grassy Narrows Speaking Tour**

Join KAIROS in hearing from Judy da Silva, Roberta Keesick and Barbara Fobister, three leaders of the Anishinabe First Nation of Grassy Narrows. The women have played a key role organizing and sustaining Grassy Narrows' blockade, the longest blockade in Canada's history. They will be speaking on their community's lengthy struggles with mercury poisoning and clear cutting and on their efforts to reclaim Anishinabe traditions, protect the earth and exercise self-determination. The Tour will visit many locations in Southern Ontario. Please see the list below for details on events. Events are also posted on the KAIROS Calendar at: [www.kairoscanada.org/en/events](http://www.kairoscanada.org/en/events).

### **7. Canadian Foodgrains Bank – Guatemala 2011: Youth Food Study Tour**

**When:** May 9-23, 2011 (15 days)

**What:** An opportunity to learn more about food justice, food security, international agriculture, and fair trade issues in Guatemala, along with a chance to explore the country, meet Guatemalans and make new friends.

**Who:** Guatemala, 2011 is open to any Canadian between the ages of 17 and 24 who is interested in international hunger and food justice issues. People involved with Foodgrains Bank growing or community projects are especially invited to participate.

**Overview:** As we travel around Guatemala, from San Marcos to Antigua, participants will experience

Guatemalan culture through interaction with local project staff and beneficiaries. During the trip, participants will be challenged to wrestle with issues that cause food insecurity in Guatemala, and will be invited to think about how their own choices affect people around the world. [Read more...](#)

#### **8. Reflections from a 50 Leader-Jenny Fowler**

*The 50 Leaders project is a development program designed for youth and young adults to discern their leadership gifts and to enable them to share these gifts with their Church, their communities and the world while educating them on issues of social justice. This project is a gift to the future of The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund and the Anglican Church of Canada.*

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund is the Anglican agency for development, relief, refugees and justice. I was accepted into the program just a couple of weeks before the orientation weekend in Toronto, so it was a bit of a rush for me to get ready. But I must say this was an amazing experience for me, I would recommend it to anyone my age. [Read more...](#)

#### **9. Staff Comings and Goings: Mahjabeen Chowdhury - Philippines**

Mahjabeen Chowdhury, PWRDF Asia-Pacific program coordinator, visited partner organizations in the Philippines from November 9-20, 2010. The purpose of the visit was two-fold: to learn about partner's activities, their current context and recent developments in the Philippines and in turn to update partners on PWRDF activities, look at reporting and planning requirements and to give an overview of the current Canadian context. Her last visit to the Philippines took place in 2007.

The new government of Noyonoy Aquino, elected in May 2010, has yet to act on promises of increased respect for human rights and a stop to extra judicial killings. PWRDF currently works with 13 partners, three are Manila based national partners and the remainder are small and medium grassroots organizations. The work is carried out according to two partnership models: the cluster model where partners in the same geographical area have formed groups and the funding is administered by one identified lead organization and the Philippines Advisory Group (PAG) a way of working in partnership that is a shift from the traditional donor-recipient relationship to a more equal partnership.

There are currently two clusters: the Visayas Cluster composed of five organizations from the Central South Visayas region with FARDEC as their lead organization and the Cordillera Cluster with five organizations headed by the Cordillera People's Alliance (CPA) in the Northern region of Cordillera.

Partners' work is varied and progressing well. The Farmers Development Centre (**FARDEC**) is working on empowering farmers to address their own socio-economic development through sustainable agricultural practices, Southern Partners Fair Trade Centre Incorporation (SPFTC) is helping fruit growers in Visayas to get fair prices for their produce, Cebu-Bohol Relief and Rehabilitation Centre (CRRC) is working with vulnerable communities to develop their capacity to cope with natural and man-made disasters, and Teatro Obrero and the Bohol Peoples Art Development Centre (BPADC) are working with youth from farming communities and sugar plantations to develop their leadership skills and raise their social justice awareness through art and cultural activities. Cordillera Cluster members are working for the socio-economic advancement of Indigenous communities and for their rights to their ancestral lands. PWRDF also works with three Manila based partners, the Episcopal Church of the Philippines, the Asia-Pacific Research Network (APRN) and the ecumenical peace building project of the National Council of Churches in the Philippines (NCCP). Many of PWRDF's partnerships in the Philippines date back to the 70s and 80s. Partners would like the opportunity to interact and visit with PWRDF constituency members in Canada to share their stories and express their gratitude for the long term partnership and support of Anglicans in Canada through PWRDF.

## Earthcare Connections Intentions – April Year A

### April 3: Fourth Sunday of Lent

1. For drought-stricken or flooded lands that cry to God for healing. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. May those who are blind to the gifts of God's creation experience God's peace and healing in nature.. **We pray to the Lord.**

### April 10: Fifth Sunday of Lent

1. May our government recognize that access to clean water is a basic human right; may our fresh water never be sold for profit. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. May the new life developing in Earth's forests, fields and flowers strengthen our faith in our own resurrection. **We pray to the Lord.**

### April 17: Passion Sunday

1. May we protect Earth's remaining forests; may the people and animals that inhabit them be freed from greed and exploitation. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. May those prairie farmers whose livelihood is threatened be freed from crippling economic pressures. **We pray to the Lord.**

### April 21: Holy Thursday

1. May the service we render to others and the care we show for all creation be evidence of our love and gratitude for all things God has made. We pray to the Lord.

### Easter Sunday

1. May the human family, entrusted with the care and co-creation of Planet Earth, turn our hearts to God as we strive to save our planet. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. As we celebrate Easter, let our hearts be filled with new life and with deeper enthusiasm for caring for creation. **We pray to the Lord.**

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