



Presbyterian Women

PW GATHERING

February 18, 2010

“Presbyterians Do Make a Difference”

Join other women of Faith Church in watching the nationally produced PBS program of *NOW* called “*Slavery in the Field*” followed by a panel discussion of how our denomination is making a difference.

10:30 a.m. - Punch and Fellowship

11:00 a.m.- Program

12:00 noon - Luncheon - \$6

Often we don't hear about the many ways that Presbyterians affect the lives of people in the world and even in our own country. Because of programs such as “Self Development of People”, money from our Peacemaking Offering and the action of General Assembly to boycott Taco Bell; our denomination took a lead role in opening up dialogue between Yum! Brands fast food restaurants and the Immokalee farm workers. This agreement marks the first time in history that a fast-food company has taken responsibility for the condition of workers in their supply chain and concretely acted to remedy known exploitation. Since Yum! Brands is the largest fast food company in the world, this landmark agreement is the first step toward transforming the entire fast food industry.

Following the video presentation, Kathryn Vegso, Phyllis Diamond and Betty Forsberg will take part in a panel with added information.

Although we've come a long way, the fight is not over in providing even minimum wages and humane conditions for farm workers. We urge you to come see this impressive DVD and hear more about what we can do.

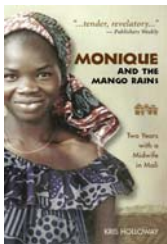


Drama Club Skit

“The Least Coins Speak”

The Drama Group will present a short skit to help us understand the Least Coin Offering and some of the projects it funded in 2009.

Book Review: Kathy DeBeer will be reviewing *Monique and the Mango Rains: Two Years with a Midwife in Mali*, by Chris Holloway



Report by Barbara Munn



TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES

In November, **Ten Thousand Villages** sales at our gathering netted \$375 for the agency. Ten Thousand Villages provide vital fair income to Third World people by marketing their handicrafts. Shop at their store at 67th Avenue, just south of 101 next to A J's Fine Foods, for your year-round gifts.



HomeBase YOUTH SERVICES WWW.HBYS.ORG

Our December clothes drive collection for **HomeBase Youth Services** was 32 large bags of warm clothing. PLEASE continue to bring clothes, socks, shoes, toiletries, sheets, towels, household items, books, and magazines for youth ages 18-21 to the HomeBase cabinet in Illingworth Hall. You will be helping to prevent, repair and reverse the devastating effect that homelessness has on youth and the community. HBYS has developed a full continuum of care: Prevention, Intervention, Street Outreach, Transitional Living Program, and Aftercare. Independent Living Programs. Our donations keep their expenses low.



Living Word Academy on the American Indian Field. Help Southwest Indian Ministries by saving: Campbell's Soup bar

codes, box tops from cereals, Kleenex and Cottonelle products and commemorative postage stamps. When we contribute to their projects, the students at our satellite school—Living World Academy, and the children who attend our camps are the recipients of the benefits. Living Word Academy is a Christian day school located on the Tohono O'odham Reservation in Sells, Arizona. Sells is a village struggling with drugs and gangs, and Living Word Academy serves as a light, providing a godly foundation for young people. The caring teachers, Christ-centered environment, and quality education are impacting not only the students, but also their families and the greater community. Today, the school provides an education for students in first through 12th grades. Each year as many as 30 students enroll in the school. The majority of the students are Native Americans, but all come from the surrounding community. The school uses Accelerated Christian Education curriculum, a self-paced curriculum that is individualized for each student.