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The Newsletter of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Los Ranchos

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Dear Sisters in Christ,

Holidays are over, the year is over, and we are moving forward into a new decade, 2020. Unbelievable how quickly time flies! Remember how nervous everyone was when we hit 2000? Do you ever stop what you are doing and reflect on the past years in your own life and wonder how you ever were able to do all you did as well as ponder what the future has in store for you? My goodness, look at technology and where we are today! Look at the smart phones and what we are able to do. I remember years ago seeing an 80+ year old gentleman on his cell phone in the grocery store and thought that so odd! Now even toddlers are playing with their own tablet! Amazing, isn't it?

Reflect now on your PW group or your women's group at your church... where and what were you doing in 2000 as opposed to now? Remember the good times and the great memories? I would love to have a collection of memories that we can highlight in our next SEEDS. If you or someone in your women's group would care to share memories from the past, please send to me or our editor, Janet Triplett, so we can highlight special moments, programs, mission projects, retreats, etc. annesivley@aol.com or janet-triplett@att.net

Our Coordinating Team decided to try something new and have a one-day Women's Retreat on Saturday, March 21 from 9-3 at Shepherd's Grove in Irvine. "**Reflect, Refresh, Recharge**" is the title. Rev. Candie Blankman will be our featured speaker. We get so busy in our lives taking care of this and that and often we are the ones who just need to slow down, take care of ourselves, and do as our title suggests. We will have activities planned that will definitely get you relaxed and recharged. There will be fun and laughter. Dress comfortably and plan on a day JUST for YOU!! Continental breakfast and lunch included. Babysitting will be provided. See the attached flyer. This is a way that all can share together and have one retreat. Come make new friends!!

In November we had an excellent and informative program, **Asylum Defined**, hosted by the women at Grace First in Long Beach. We learned firsthand from a refugee, awaiting a hearing, share her story as well as hear the legal aspects of asylum seekers from an attorney and from Kristi Van Nostran, Immigrant Accompaniment Organizer of Pacific and San Gabriel Presbyteries, share about the visitations to Adelanto near Victorville where almost 2000 immigrants are being detained and awaiting a hearing. Included in this edition is an article from Canyon Hills Pres. in Anaheim Hills as to how their women's Circles responded. As you read the article, you will see what a powerful impact this gesture of love made for our lonely and frightened sisters and brothers who are incarcerated. On Friday, February 27, I will be driving a carload to visit immigrants in Adelanto. If you would like to go, please email me. The time frame will be from about 9-4:30. A little gesture of sisterly love will make an indelible imprint and give hope to so many who are desperately in need.



Continued Blessings for you all,

Anne Sivley

Moderator of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Los Ranchos



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PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF LOS RANCHOS

Women's Spiritual Retreat

Saturday, March 21, 2020
9 AM-3 PM

Join Us
(English)

Bergabunglah
bersama kami
(Vietnamese)

“Reflect, Refresh, Recharge”

Únete a
nosotros
(Spanish)

FEATURED SPEAKER

加入我們
(Chinese Traditional)

CANDIE BLANKMAN

Shepherd's Grove Presbyterian Church

4445 Alton Pkwy, Irvine

우리과 함께
(Korean)

tham gia với chúng tôi
(Vietnamese)

\$20

Babysitting Available at No Additional Charge

Meditation # Chair Yoga
Fellowship with other Women # Quiet Time with God # Small Group Prayers
Light Breakfast/Lunch

Contact Anne Sivley at (714) 501-4399 or Janet Triplett at janet-triplett@att.net for any questions.

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PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECK(S) PAYABLE TO:

Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Los Ranchos

Print Name _____

Address _____

Church _____

Need Babysitting _____ ADA Accommodation _____ Dietary Restrictions _____ (Please send list)

Please list additional attendees on separate sheet.

Mail registration form BY MARCH 18TH to:

Janet Triplett, 5132 Casa Oro Drive, Yorba Linda, CA 92886

MEMO LINE

Spiritual Retreat 2020

Phone _____

City _____

E-mail Address _____

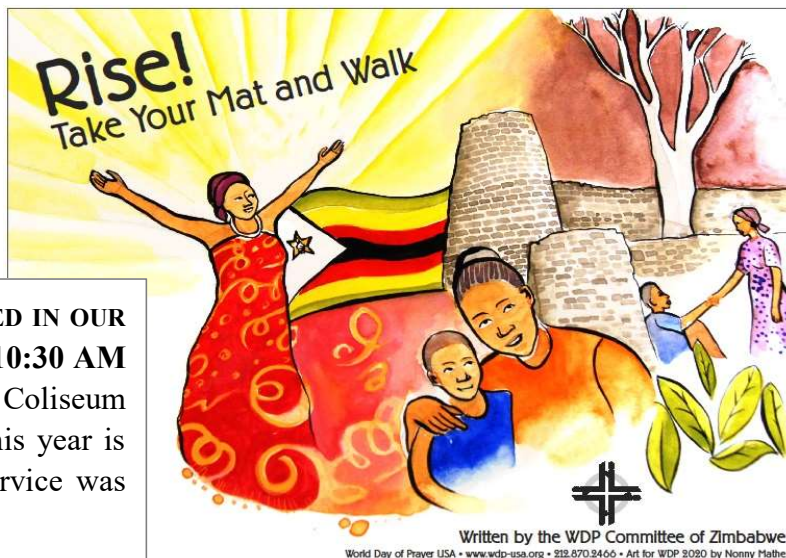
World Day of Prayer



World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative.

It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action," and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries.

Through World Day of prayer, women affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and have immeasurable influence in the world.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER WILL BE CELEBRATED IN OUR PRESBYTERY ON FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2020 AT 10:30 AM AT ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 5100 Coliseum Street, Los Angeles, CA 90016. The theme this year is *Rise! Take Up Your Mat and Walk*. The service was written by the women of Zimbabwe



Synod of Southern California & Hawaii

Beyond Pink and Blue

Understanding Gender & Gender Identity

Saturday, March 21

9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Claremont Presbyterian Church

Interactive Educational Presentations, Table Conversations, Resources for Families, Faith Leaders and Congregations.

Sponsors: Feminist Agenda Network (F.A.N.), Jane A. Spahr (Reconciliation Project at SFTS), Applied Wisdom Institute (University of Redlands)

Information/Registration Flyer

<https://www.synod.org/PDF2020/BeyondPinkAndBlue03192020.pdf>

Save The Dates:

- **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF LOS RANCHOS 2020 Spring Gathering, "Asylum Defined Part 2", Saturday, May 2, at First Presbyterian Church of Fullerton, 838 N. Euclid St., Fullerton.**
- **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII, "Love Abides Within the Intersections of Love and Identity", 9:30 a.m., Saturday, May 30, at Westminster Gardens, 1420 Santo Domingo Avenue, Duarte.**

Response to 2019 Fall Gathering topic, "Asylum Defined"

Canyon Hills Presbyterian Women's Coordinating Team met after the 2019 November Gathering and discussed possibilities of what we could do to be of assistance to the asylum seekers, particularly those at the Adelanto Processing Center. We were told that they could use \$10 Target or Ralph's cards to purchase items that they needed, so our team voted to purchase cards and get them to them prior to Christmas. We felt the cards would definitely assist them, but we wanted to do something more personal. Anne Sivley shared a story with us when she had visited the **Adelanto Processing Center** and spoken with an asylum seeker in the facility who had no visitors or family for a long period of time and was very lonely. It was suggested that since the Christmas holiday was approaching, maybe we could send them cards with personal notes. Kristi Van Nostran, an Immigrant Accompaniment Organizer, was able to get us names and addresses of over 50 individuals, along with their addresses at the facility, language spoken, and their country of origin. We divided the lists between our four circles and to send generic holiday greeting cards to each of the individuals, as we were not sure what their faith, if any, was.



Kristi Van Nostran
Immigrant Accompaniment Organizer
cell 360.521.4096
PresbyWelcome@gmail.com



At our circle meeting in December, each circle member wrote a personal note on the card addressed to a specific individual and signed them with their first name only. Even though we did not know these individuals, we tried to write notes of encouragement and support. We used our church's address as the return address on the envelope, not really expecting anything in return. However, much to our surprise, we did receive responses from several individuals thanking us for the card and expressing how good it was to know that someone was thinking of them despite the situation and the strange land. One lady responded, "Thanks for letting me know that I am not alone, for the Lord is with me and He is my Peace in The Midst of the Storm." Another gentleman stated, "I really do appreciate your card; you can't understand how it makes me feel. Thank you so much and God bless you."

Just sending out the cards was rewarding but receiving the responses made us realize how very important that simple gesture of caring had been.

Diane Roper and Pat Klotz
Canyon Hills Presbyterian Church PW

**GOD IS GOOD,
ALL THE TIME**



**ALL THE TIME,
GOD IS GOOD**

ADELANTO DETENTION FACILITY IS A PRIVATELY OPERATED IMMIGRATION DETENTION CENTER IN ADELANTO, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY,

<https://www.desertsun.com/in-depth/news/2020/01/24/private-prison-giant-geo-thrives-california-state-wants-out/2589589001/>

How a private prison giant has continued to thrive in a state that wants it out

As California passes laws aimed at ridding the state of private immigration detention centers, GEO Group continues to expand.

Rebecca Plevin, Palm Springs Desert Sun
Updated 8:54 p.m. PST Jan. 25, 2020

Read complete articles at website above

California's Democrat-dominated legislature is waging a fierce battle to rid the state of private immigration detention centers, which many lawmakers say prioritize profits over the health and safety of detainees. Yet the GEO Group, a private prison company with some 20 detention centers across the country — including one

(continued on p.8)

(GEO) is a Florida-based company specializing in privatized corrections, detention, and mental health treatment. in California's Mojave desert and another in the state's agricultural Central Valley – continues to secure billions of dollars worth of contracts from the federal government for operations in the Golden State



The Desert View Correctional Facility is operated by the GEO Group and may be converted to an immigration detention facility in Adelanto, Calif., on Jan. 22, 2020.

Assemblymember Rob Bonta, a Democrat who represents Alameda and parts of Oakland, introduced AB 32 in December 2018 seeking to phase out the use of private prisons. But on June 25, 2019 – the same day Adelanto's agreements with ICE and GEO ended – he amended the bill to include private detention centers.

That change meant GEO and ICE would be able to continue operating the Adelanto detention center until the contract expired in March 2020, but would not be allowed to renew the agreement.



On Dec. 19, 2019, less than two weeks before AB 32 took effect, ICE and GEO inked a 15-year contract for the

Adelanto detention center. The new contract not only covers the 1,940-bed detention center, but also allows for the facility's expansion by incorporating GEO's 750-bed Desert View prison in Adelanto.

On Wednesday night, {January a standing-room-only crowd packed the city's first Planning Commission hearing regarding the plan to convert GEO's into an annex for the detention center. GEO officials clad in suits, and GEO employees grasping signs reading, "please save our jobs," filled rows of seats, while immigrant advocates and some On Wednesday night, a standing-room-only crowd packed the city's first Planning Commission hearing regarding the plan to convert GEO's Adelanto prison into an annex for the detention center. GEO officials clad in suits, and GEO employees grasping signs reading, "please save our jobs," filled rows of seats, while immigrant advocates and some residents leaned against the walls.

Regina Duran, a 15-year Adelanto resident and mother of four who has been employed by GEO for more than eight years, said working for the company has changed her life. Before joining GEO as an officer, she said, she worked as a hairdresser and relied on welfare. She has since bought a house and been promoted, she said.

"GEO has brought to the city unlimited possibilities," Duran said.

But Jose Servin of the California Immigrant Youth Justice Alliance encouraged the commissioners to embrace a new vision for the city.

"Quality of life doesn't go up where there are prisons," Servin said. "Quality of life goes up where there are hospitals, where there are parks, where there are better schools. That's not going to happen with GEO."

According to city staff, the commission is expected to meet on Feb. 5 for a second hearing on whether to allow GEO to convert the prison into an immigration detention center serving ICE.

Rebecca Plevin reports on immigration for The Desert Sun. Reach her at rebecca.plevin@desertsun.com. Follow her on Twitter at @rebeccaplevin

Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of the Pacific

WINTER GATHERING

*Standing on the Shoulders of
Empowered Women*



Gayle Timilione

Our Synod's July 2019 Representative to Presbyterian Women's USA Mission Experience
Finger Lakes Region of New York

Saturday, February 29, 2020

9:30 AM - Noon

Covenant Presbyterian Church

6323 80th Street, Westchester 90045

Corner of Sepulveda Blvd. and 80th Street just north of LAX. Parking is behind church, off Alverstone Ave.

Registration fee: \$5.00 (No lunch)
(make checks payable to PWP)

Please send tear-off below to: Anne Romo, 8207 Creighton Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Phone: (310) 645-8566 Email: oneplusret@sbcglobal.net

Deadline: **February 24, 2020**

Registration for PWP Gathering, Saturday, February 29, 2020

Name _____ Phone _____

Church _____ Email _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____ for _____ reservation(s).



Mujeres Hispanas Latinas Presbiterianas

Sínodo del Sur de California y Hawaii



Peace Within, Jenny Grant

Les Invita a un Tiempo de: Unidad, Adoración, Entrenamiento, Reflexión y Convivencia.

Reunión Anual de Primavera

28 de Marzo, 2020

“Honremos la espiritualidad, la lucha y la sobrevivencia de las mujeres”

Mateo 5:3 y Rut 1:16

Iglesia Presbiteriana Emmanuel de Claremont

1111 N. Mountain Ave. Claremont, CA. 91711

Registro: 8:00 a 9:00 A.M.

Programa Comienza a las 9:00 A.M.

Oradoras: Rev. Elizabeth Gibb Zehnder, Hna. Leticia Morales y Hna. Karla Garcia.

- Igualmente Habrá -

- Talleres.
- Programa para los Jóvenes.
- Programa y Cuidado para los Niños.
- Refrigerio y Almuerzo
- Bazar.

- Cuotas de Registros -

- Pre Registro antes del 21 de Marzo: \$13 por persona.
- Registro en la Iglesia: \$15 por persona.
- Niños menores hasta 10 años no pagan.
- Envíe su Pre Registro y Cheque a Nombre de Leticia Morales a la siguiente dirección: 14121 Shoemaker Ave. #69 Norwalk, CA. 90650

Más Información:

Ana María Castro (Moderadora)/Telf. Cel. 562/412-1048. & Carolina Delgado (Vice Moderadora)/Telf. Cel. 562/805-7352

PRE REGISTRO

Iglesia: _____ Presbiterio: _____

**Nombres y Apellidos de los Participantes
MAYORES de 10 Años**

**Nombres y Apellidos de los Participantes
MENORES hasta 10 Años**

Monto total del Cheque: \$ _____

Did You Know..... That Habitat for Humanity Orange County has a Presbyterian Coalition with churches in Los Ranchos Presbytery?



A few years ago, our Los Ranchos Presbytery began a coalition of churches from Los ranchos Presbytery to who partner with Habitat for Humanity OC to live out our faith through monthly Build Days and quarterly coalition meetings. We began with the McFadden Five homes in Santa Ana. Currently we are coordinating our efforts on the homes in Fullerton. Recently the first four of twelve homes were dedicated. The second phase has begun. Each month there is an opportunity for our churches to have volunteers to help in the construction of the homes.

****There are **two ways** our Women's Groups can help:

1. Snacks and coffee at 7:30 a.m.—bring enough coffee (2 containers from Starbucks for example with cream, cups, stir sticks, etc.) and snack bars or donut holes, etc.—usually for 15-18 folks (can set up and leave).
2. Lunch at 11:30 a.m.—prepare and bring lunch for all workers (maybe for 25).

Thus far our Coalition consists of the following churches in Los Ranchos Presbytery: Community Pres. Church in San Juan Capistrano; First Pres. Orange; First Pres. Fullerton; First Pres Santa Ana; Laguna Niguel Pres.; Placentia Pres.; Pres. Church of the Covenant, Costa Mesa; Trabucco Pres.; Yorba Linda Pres.; Laguna Beach Pres.; Tustin Pres.; and San Clemente Pres.

For more information, please contact Ariel Hyatt at 714-434-6200 ext. 226 or Ariel@habitatoc.org

MATTHEW 25:40 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

⁴⁰And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'



See Lunch Bunch flyer and additional information on p. 10



5455 Alessandro Blvd. Riverside, CA 92506

Friday, February 28 through Sunday, March 8, 2020
Hours: 11 - 7:00 (last entry at 7 p.m.)

Reservations for The Tabernacle Experience

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b4dada62ba13-immanuel>

See p. 11 for more information

The Tabernacle Experience



LUNCH BUNCH

PURCHASE, PREPARE, AND SERVE
LUNCH TO HARDWORKING VOLUNTEERS
THAT ARE BUILDING HOMES AND HOPE.



Faith Coalition Build Days
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM
Fullerton Construction Site

Interested individuals can sign up for either hospitality or lunch bunch on our website contact form and then I can get back to them with more details and information.

Please note that the form is located on our “Faith Partners” webpage at the very bottom. I have also added a similar form onto the Presbyterian Coalition blog site (the link to the blog can also be found on the Faith Partners” webpage). More I have added the upcoming build dates to the blog site as well.

Esmeralda Figueroa

AmeriCorps VISTA, Resource Development | Habitat for Humanity of Orange County
2200 Ritchey Street | Santa Ana, CA 92705 | www.HabitatOC.org
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<https://www.habitatoc.org/faithpartner/>



The Journey through the Tabernacle

The Tabernacle Experience is not a museum.

One step inside the Tabernacle Courtyard will translate you into Old Testament times. You will experience a day in the life of an Old Testament priest as you engage in the duties and rituals within the Tabernacle.

First you will be 'clothed' in the White Linen Garment of the priest. At the Altar of Burnt Offering you will lay your sacrifice on its consuming fire. You'll approach the Laver and wash your hands in preparation for the work of The LORD. At the Lampstand you'll light an oil lamp and participate in Communion at The Table of Bread. The smoke rising at The Altar of Incense will heighten your senses and remind you of your prayers ascending to the very throne of God. As you draw back the Curtain and enter The Most Holy Place your journey will culminate before the Ark of The Covenant and The Mercy Seat.

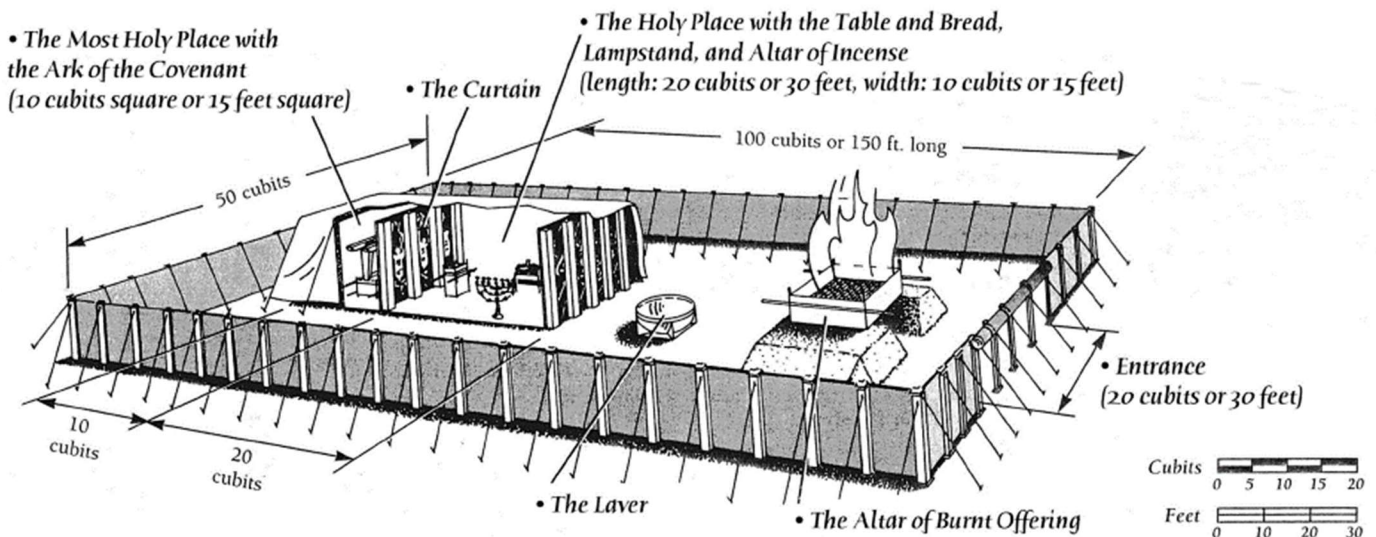
Each guest contributes \$6.00 toward The Tabernacle Experience. School Age and above. (Maximum \$20.00 per immediate family). We believe the contribution to be nominal, yet it could pose a hardship on some. Our mission is to provide this Spiritually Life transforming Encounter to **everyone**.

Therefore, everyone is welcome, and no one is turned away. Visit The Tabernacle Experience at

<https://www.thetabernacleexperience.com/>

Reservations for The Tabernacle Experience at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b4dada62ba13-immanuel>



<https://www.goodseed.com/diagram-of-the-tabernacle-and-basic-layout.html>

National African-American (Black) History Month: February 2020

JANUARY 22, 2020

RELEASE NUMBER CB20-FF.01

To commemorate and celebrate the contributions to our nation made by people of African descent, American historian Carter G. Woodson established Black History Week. The first celebration occurred on Feb. 12, 1926. For many years, the second week of February was set aside for this celebration to coincide with the birthdays of abolitionist/editor Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. In 1976, as part of the nation's bicentennial, the week was expanded to a month. Since then, U.S. presidents have proclaimed February as National African-American History Month

<https://www.pcusa.org/news/2015/2/19/celebrating-african-american-history-month/>

African Americans have been enriching the Presbyterian Church for more than two centuries



John Gloucester
1776- 1822



Lucy Craft Laney
1854 - 1933

“[I]n 1807, [John] Gloucester arrived in Philadelphia and began preaching. Rising from slavery and oppression, he formed the first African American Presbyterian congregation in 1811 and led African American Presbyterians to see the light of Christ within each of them. He was the first ordained African American minister in the Presbyterian Church.

African American women have played a major role in shaping education throughout the years. Lucy Craft Laney, who organized a school in the basement of Christ Presbyterian Church in Augusta, Ga., was a recipient of the General Assembly Women of Faith Award. Mary McLeod Bethune received her early training at a Presbyterian mission school and went on to establish what became Bethune-Cookman College, a private, historically black college in Daytona Beach, Fla. In 1923, McLeod became one of only a few women in the world to serve as a college president.”



Mary McLeod
Bethune
1875-1955

Friday, January 31, 2020, Presbyterian Women, Inc. <info@presbyterianwomen.org>

Learn about **African American History Month**, <https://africanamericanhistorymonth.gov/>, through the documents, photos, audio and video files, and collections compiled by the Library of Congress, National Archives and Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

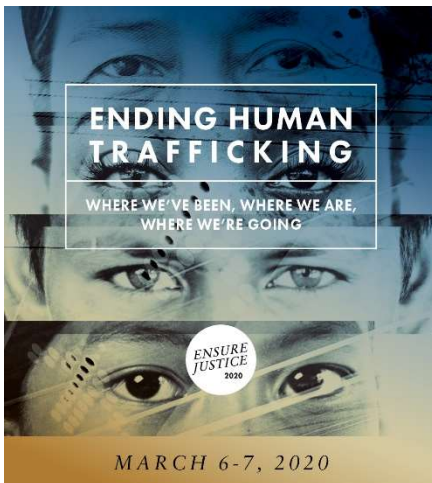
This year marks the centennial of the 19th amendment and the sesquicentennial of the 15th amendment (1870), both pertaining to black suffrage. The 2020 theme for African American History Month is “African Americans and the Vote.” Learn more about this theme from the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) <https://asalh.org/asalh-announces-2020-black-history-theme-african-americans-and-the-vote/>.

Do you like documentaries? PBS & KCET offers 10 "Must Watch" Black History documentaries <https://www.pbs.org/black-culture/explore/10-black-history-documentaries-to-watch/>.

If you'd like to make your observance Presbyterian-focused, read a (timeless!) short article about the ways African Americans have shaped the denomination <https://presbyterianwomeninthepecusainc.cmail19.com/t/t-l-ntthuud-drvodrt-t/>.

You can also visit the **Racial Equality** webpage, https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/what_we_do/build-community/antiracism/, on the Presbyterian Women website to download and *take the 8-day racial equity education challenge*, <https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/8dayREchallenge.pdf>, *read stories and reflections*, <https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/stories/>, on racial injustice and more!

Global Center for Women & Justice



2020 Ensure Justice Conference

March 6-7

ENDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING: WHERE WE'VE BEEN, WHERE WE ARE, WHERE WE'RE GOING.

Vanguard University

55 Fair Dr, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Join us as we celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) and discuss where the antitrafficking movement is headed! <https://www.gcwj.org/>

Register <https://www.gcwj.org/ensure-justice/>

THE LATEST NEWS ON FARM WORKERS & THEIR CAMPAIGNS

National Farm Worker Ministry

Visit <http://nfwfm.org/> for additional/current information

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

As a ministry that supports all farm worker organizing groups and farm workers everywhere, we have wanted to see a path to U.S. citizenship for farm workers and we have advocated for significant improvements to the H-2A guest worker program. Last fall a new bill was introduced in Congress, the Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2019 (<https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/4916>). This bi-partisan bill combines much of what we promoted last year as the “blue card” bill with a path to citizenship for farm workers.

The UFW, UFW Foundation (<https://ufw.org/immigrationact/>), and Farmworker Justice (<https://bit.ly/2tf98K1>) (*PDF*) helped to negotiate this legislation over many months, and PCUN and FLOC have also endorsed it. Some of our farm worker partners, however, have expressed concern about the bill and, particularly, the inclusion of e-verify (<https://civileats.com/2019/12/11/immigrants-lift-up-a-food-system-in-need-of-reform> and <http://familiasunidasjusticia.org/en/2019/11/25/familias-unidas-initial-position-on-the-farmworker-modernization-act-of-2019>).

On December 11th, the Farm Workforce Modernization Act passed the House of Representatives and moved on to the Senate for consideration. It has been assigned to the Judiciary Committee at this point so there is time to contact state Senators and ask them to forward this bill's path to citizenship, improve regulations in the H-2A Guest worker visa program and remove e-verify. We will continue to monitor this legislation and provide updates.

FLOC UPDATE

FLOC (Farm Labor Organizing Committee AFL-CIO) is joining forces to demand that Whole Foods clean up the labor practices in its supply chain.

When Oxfam, a nonprofit working to end the injustice of poverty, assessed human rights violations, it found major concerns with Whole Foods. It scored Whole Foods below Walmart in its supermarket chains. What is disappointing is that Whole Foods is considered a humane company and a sustainable grocer that features locally grown and organic products. It could lead, the industry but there are problems with how farm workers are treated in its supply chain <https://www.oxfamamerica.org/explore/stories/something-rotten-whole-foods/>. FLOC is constantly speaking for farm workers about collective bargaining, fair wages, and decent working/living conditions. They have asked Whole Foods to meet with them to talk about this but Whole Foods has refused

Watch the video about seeking workers' rights, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o7s5wKw3_r8&t=24s

To see more about FLOC, go to <http://nfwfm.org/farm-workers/farmworker-partners/floc-campaign/>

Justice & Peace

St. Mark Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach hosted a Christmas party for victims of human trafficking in Orange County. Yes, there are OC victims. Plug into the Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force website, <https://www.ochumantrafficking.com/>, for more information. Better yet, attend their monthly meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month, 10:30 am, at their headquarters, 1221 E. Dyer Road, Suite 120, Santa Ana, CA 92705. *Best information can be found at the Ensure Justice conference, sponsored by the Global Center for Women and Justice, March 6-7, at Vanguard University, 55 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, 92626. (See previous page, p.13).*

Suzanne Darweesh

2019-2020 PWPLR MAL Peace and Justice



OCIC Fall Fundraiser 2019

Sunday evening, November 10, 2019, the Orange County Interfaith Committee to Aid Farm Workers (OCIC), now in its 54th year, held its annual fundraiser for the National Farm Worker Ministry (NFWM) at **St. Mark Presbyterian Church** in Newport Beach, CA. With over 120 in attendance, they were able to send \$5600 to the NFWM! Special thanks to Pam Presnall for promotions and registration, Gerri McNenny for the silent auction, and Deborah Mayhew (moderator of Los Ranchos Presbytery and member of

St. Mark) for rehearsing fourth graders in a skit about a visitation from César Chávez and who also served as the photographer of the evening. Irene Arellano produced a Day of the Dead altar honoring Chávez and other farm workers who died in the fields.

After viewing the NFWM video, "Maricela's Story," which recounted a farm worker's story of sexual harassment, the participants were treated to a special performance by a female mariachi band for clapping and singing and even some dancing. Committee members and many volunteers helped to make this a successful event.

As the oldest support group for farm workers in the nation, OCIC is thankful for their founders: Nat and Ralph Kennedy, Jean and Frank Forbath, Jeanne and Roy Giordano (all but Jean Forbath who just celebrated her 90th birthday are gone), and the Rev. Chris Hartmire, first director of the NFWM, who is still alive and kicking.

NFWM is grateful for the support of OCIC, both in raising funds for the Ministry and for participating in farm worker campaigns.



Welcome remarks from
Suzanne Darweesh



Day of the Dead memorial by
Irene Arellano



Mariachi in Training



*Spring begins with the Vernal Equinox,
Thursday, March 19, 2020, 11:50 p.m.*



Presbyterian Women in The Presbytery of Los Ranchos

Treasurer's Reports

January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF THE PRESBYTERY OF LOS RANCHOS TREASURER'S REPORT 4th Quarter 2019		PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF THE PRESBYTERY OF LOS RANCHOS TREASURER'S REPORT 3rd Quarter 2019	
Beginning Bank Balance September 30, 2019	<u>\$ 8,702.85</u>	Beginning Bank Balance June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 8,186.03</u>
Receipts		Receipts	
Operations	\$ 10.00	Operations	\$ 358.75
Fall Gathering	490.00	PW Missions	<u>2,864.96</u>
PW Missions	<u>1,663.33</u>	Total Income	<u>\$ 3,223.71</u>
Total Income	<u>\$ 2,163.33</u>	Subtotal	\$ 11,409.74
Subtotal	\$ 10,866.18		
Disbursements		Disbursements	
Fall Gathering Speaker mileage	\$ 37.12	PW Missions	<u>2,706.89</u>
Fall Gathering Speaker Solidarity	75.00	Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 2,706.89</u>
Fall Gathering Speaker	100.00	Ending Bank Balance September 30, 2019	<u>\$ 8,702.85</u>
Fall Gathering Tech/Grace 1st	150.00	Bank Account Distribution:	
Fall Gathering Food	71.23	Minimum Bank Balance	\$ 5,000.00
Homeless Ad in OC Register	150.00	Operations	1,768.84
Bogie Grant WISEPlace	100.00	Designated Churchwide	1,005.00
Bogie Grant FPGG Shower Ministry	100.00	Designated Prentice Fund	344.01
Bogie Grant Friendship Shelter	385.00	Designated Bogie Mission	<u>585.00</u>
PW Missions	<u>1,746.40</u>	Total	\$ 8,702.85
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 2,914.75</u>		
Ending Bank Balance December 31, 2019	<u>\$ 7,951.43</u>	PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATIONS (BOGIE FUNDS)	
Bank Account Distribution:		January 1, 2019	\$ 44,891.88
Minimum Bank Balance	\$ 5,000.00	March 31, 2019	\$ 48,118.63
Operations	1,102.42	June 30, 2018	\$ 44,708.72
Designated Churchwide	1,505.00	September 30, 2019	\$ 45,308.02
Designated Prentice Fund	344.01	December 31, 2019	
Designated Bogie Mission	<u>0.00</u>		
Total	\$ 7,951.43	Submitted: Jo Sutton, Treasurer	
		09/30/2019	
PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATIONS (BOGIE FUNDS)			
January 1, 2019	\$ 44,891.88		
March 31, 2019	\$ 48,118.63		
June 30, 2018	\$ 44,708.72		
September 30, 2019	\$ 45,308.02		
December 31, 2019	\$ 47,435.66		
Submitted: Jo Sutton, Treasurer			
01/12/2020			

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF THE PRESBYTERY OF LOS RANCHOS TREASURER'S REPORT 2nd Quarter 2019		PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF THE PRESBYTERY OF LOS RANCHOS TREASURER'S REPORT 1st Quarter 2019	
Beginning Bank Balance March 31, 2019	<u>\$ 8,168.35</u>	Beginning Bank Balance December 31, 2018	<u>\$ 7,269.67</u>
Receipts		Receipts	
Operations	\$ 127.00	Operations Pledges	\$ 299.00
Spring Gathering	345.00	Winter Gathering	830.00
Bogie Grants Funds	5,000.00	Winter Gathering Video	270.00
PW Missions	2,683.89	Prentice Mission	68.63
PW Churchwide	<u>0.00</u>	PW Missions	3,594.02
Total Income	<u>\$ 8,155.89</u>	PW Churchwide	<u>0.00</u>
Subtotal	\$ 16,324.24	Total Income	<u>\$ 5,061.65</u>
Disbursements		Subtotal	\$ 12,331.32
Synod Pledge	\$ 0.00	Disbursements	
Spring Gathering Custodial/sound 1st Pres Orange	150.00	Synod Pledge	\$ 200.00
Spring Gathering Speakers (2 X \$50@)	100.00	Winter Gathering speaker	100.00
Spring Gathering Horizons subscription	19.95	Winter Gathering speaker gift cards	30.00
Spring Gathering food	183.29	Winter Gathering Horizons drawing	19.99
Bogie Grant Family Assistance	1,000.00	Winter Gathering Video/John Underwood	270.00
Bogie Grant Rising Tide	1,250.00	Winter Gathering brunch	221.18
Bogie Grant Menaul School	750.00	Winter Gathering Yorba Linda Pres/printing	60.00
Bogie Grant Irvine for Everyone	1,250.00	Winter Gathering OCPAC donation	248.83
Bogie Grant CareerWise	750.00	Winter Gathering technical assist/Canvas Church	150.00
Donation to Irvine for Everyone	50.00	PW Missions	2,844.02
Donation to Casa Teresa	25.00	Chase Bank Checks	<u>18.95</u>
Donation to PWS USAME	300.00	Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 4,162.97</u>
PW Missions	2,309.93	Ending Bank Balance March 31, 2019	<u>\$ 8,168.35</u>
Adjustment bank statement*	<u>0.04</u>	Bank Account Distribution:	
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 8,138.21</u>	Minimum Bank Balance	\$ 5,000.00
Ending Bank Balance June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 8,186.03</u>	Operations	1,819.34
Bank Account Distribution:		Designated Churchwide	1,005.00
Minimum Bank Balance	\$ 5,000.00	Designated Prentice Fund	344.01
Operations	1,837.02	Designated Bogie Mission	<u>0.00</u>
Designated Churchwide	1,005.00	Total	\$ 8,168.35
Designated Prentice Fund	344.01		
Designated Bogie Mission	<u>0.00</u>	PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATIONS (BOGIE FUNDS)	
Total	\$ 8,186.03	January 1, 2019	\$ 44,891.88
		March 31, 2019	\$ 48,118.63
PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATIONS (BOGIE FUNDS)		June 30, 2019	
January 1, 2019	\$ 44,891.88	September 30, 2019	
March 31, 2019	\$ 48,118.63	December 31, 2019	
June 30, 2019	\$ 44,708.72		
September 30, 2019		Submitted: Jo Sutton, Treasurer	
December 31, 2019		05/03/2019	
*Wrote check for 19.95 bank statement amount was 19.99.			
Submitted: Jo Sutton, Treasurer			
07/23/2019			

Presbyterian Women in The Presbytery of Los Ranchos
Treasurer's Report

2020 Budget

INCOME

Operations Pledges	\$ 550.00
Winter Gathering	600.00
Spring Gathering	600.00
Spiritual Retreat	600.00
Fall Leadership Seminar	0.00
Fall Gathering	600.00
Prentice Mission	72.00
Bogie Mission Grants	5,000.00
Operations Carryover	1,260.00
PW Churchwide	<u>500.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 9,782.00

EXPENSES

Synod Pledge	\$ 200.00
Winter Gathering	600.00
Spring Gathering	600.00
Spiritual Retreat	600.00
Fall Leadership Seminar	200.00
Fall Gathering	600.00
Leadership & CT Conf.	400.00
Churchwide	500.00
Global Exc/USA Experience	300.00
Prentice Mission	72.00
Bogie Mission Grants	5,000.00
CT Meeting Expenses	100.00
Moderator	100.00
Leadership/Mission Resources	75.00
Horizons	60.00
Director/SEEDS Expenses	125.00
Misc. Supplies	25.00
Bank Expense-Mission Acct	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 9,782.00

Submitted: Jo Sutton, PWPLR Treasurer

Congregation

Presbyterian Women in the Congregation
MISSION PLEDGE FORM

JANUARY 1, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2020

As Presbyterian Women, we make the following pledge to support the mission of the Presbyterian Church (USA) worldwide through the General Assembly Mission Budget, and the basic operating budget of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery, Synod and at the Churchwide level.

CELEBRATION OF MISSION THROUGH WOMEN'S PLEDGES

1. Your Mission \$ _____
To support the mission of the PC(USA) worldwide and PW churchwide.

2. Operating Pledge \$ _____
To support the work of Presbyterian Women in Los Ranchos Presbytery.
To support the work of Presbyterian Women in the Synod of So CA & HI.

The Operating Pledge is calculated by multiplying the Mission Pledge (line1) by 6.5% (.065). This contribution should be sent by separate check, along with the Operating Remittance Form, to PWPLR Treasurer, Jo Sutton by March 31, 2020.

Signature of Moderator of PWC

Moderator (Please Print)

Street Address

City

Zip

Please return this form to the Treasurer of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Los Ranchos by **November 20, 2019.**

Jo Sutton, PWPLR Treasurer
2685 Oregon Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90806
ksutton@usc.edu
562-756-0849

Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Los Ranchos

MISSION PLEDGE FORM

This form is to be used for all 2020 Mission pledges
Make copies of this page

Send to the PWP Mission Treasurer, payable to: PWP Los Ranchos

Mail to: **Jo Sutton, PWPLR Treasurer**
2685 Oregon Avenue
Long Beach, CA 90806

562.756.0849
ksutton@usc.edu

Treasurer _____ Phone _____ Date _____

Church/City _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____ Check # _____

1) MISSION PLEDGE	1 st quarter March 1	2 nd quarter June 1	3 rd quarter September 1	4 th quarter December 1
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	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
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2) CREATIVE MINISTRIES	Birthday Offering	\$ _____	Thank Offering	\$ _____
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3) HUNGER \$ _____

4) LEAST COIN \$ _____

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP (\$95.00 or \$250.00)

Download the Honorary Life Membership form from www.presbyterianwomen.org/giving or use the form that comes in the directory. Fill out the form and send, along with the check made out to PWP, to the Treasurer. Allow at least eight weeks.

MEMORIAL OR RECOGNITION GIFTS

Download the Memorial/Recognition Gifts form from www.presbyterianwomen.org/giving or use the form that comes in the directory. Fill out the form and send, along with remittance, to the Treasurer.

Gifts to the PW Mission Pledge make huge impacts – in your backyard and all over the world. You probably already know the Mission Pledge funds aid the PC (USA)'s mission endeavors and support general operating expenses for Presbyterian Women. Did you know that PW Mission Pledge funds also support, in some way, every initiative and program of PW? This includes mission projects, international and domestic programs helping those in need, leadership and development and publishing ministries.

Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Los Ranchos
OPERATIONS REMITTANCE FORM

Please remit by March 31, 2020

Please make checks payable to PWP Los Ranchos and mail to:

Jo Sutton, PWPLR Treasurer
2685 Oregon Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90806
562.756.0849
ksutton@usc.edu

Date _____

Church _____

Address _____

City/Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

PWP Operation's Pledge \$ _____

Presbyterian Women's Operating Budget – Support for the operating expenses of PW at the Presbytery and Synod. The operating pledge is calculated by multiplying the Mission Pledge by 6.5% (example, a pledge of \$1000 multiplied by .065 = \$65.00). Your treasurer will send this amount in a separate check to the PWP Treasurer, Jo Sutton, at the above address.

Based on the total of all the operating pledges, the Finance Committee will develop the budget for Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Los Ranchos. The budget will be approved at a PWP gathering.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY of LOS RANCHOS

BOGIE MISSION GRANT

APPLICATION FOR 2020

Kathryn R. Bogie of Community Presbyterian Church in Long Beach, CA, left the Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of Los Ranchos a bequest of \$100,000. The PWP delegates funds for Mission projects. Since 2008, \$5,000 - \$12,000 a year has been distributed. The 2020 distribution will be \$5,000. Members of the PWC's in the Presbytery of Los Ranchos are invited to nominate mission projects for grants up to \$2,000.

To apply for a Bogie Mission Grant, fill out the application below and mail/e-mail by Monday, **Feb. 17, 2020** to:

Jo Sutton, PWPLR Treasurer
2685 Oregon Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90806
ksutton@usc.edu

1. Name of PWC submitting the application: _____

2. Name and phone/e-mail address of PWC contact person: _____

3. Name, address and e-mail address of organization to receive the grant: _____

4. Purpose of the organization: _____

5. Is, or has, the organization been supported by the PC(USA), the Los Ranchos Presbytery, or by previous Bogie mission grants? _____ YES _____ NO

6. How is your PWC involved with this organization? _____

7. How much is being requested? _____

8. How would this grant be used? _____

Questions? Call Jo @ 562-756-0849 or e-mail at address above.