



# The Weekly RAG

For the United Ministries of the Presbyterian Church in Chinatown and Donaldina Cameron House

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## Welcome to Worship

Today is the End of Summer Service Youth Worship. We are thankful for a summer of learning and faith building with the Bilingual Summer Youth Program, Cameron Ventures. We are also thankful for the two summer missions--one to Boston, and the other to New Orleans.

### Announcing a New Presbyterian Guidebook

*Welcome to the Presbyterian Church* is a special new guidebook, an introduction and overview of all things Presbyterian. Packed with facts, stories, pictures, charts, links and more, this guide gives readers a fast, reliable way to learn about Presbyterian beliefs, church organization and governance, Presbyterian worship, highlights about social justice and the Bible.

With a bulk purchase, the English Commission ordered a copy for every family in our congregation. Come to the table during Tea Time and pick up your copy, which will have a label with your family name on the magazine.

### For Your Participation & Prayers

#### Sunday, August 8

Westminster Woods Youth Camp, through Saturday, Aug. 13.

#### Monday, August 9

Committee meetings, at church, at 6:30 p.m.

#### Monday, August 23

English Commission meeting, at church, at 6:30 p.m.

### Women's Fellowship Programs *An "Unsung Hero" to Visit*

**Sister Marilyn Lacey**, founder and director of Mercy Beyond Borders, will speak about her "unexpected insertion into the world of refugees," at the next Women's Fellowship gathering, on Monday, Aug. 16. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m., with the program to follow at 7:30 p.m. This meeting is open to church family and friends.

For 25 years, Sister Lacey has worked with refugees in the U.S., Africa, and Southeast Asia, working to make the world a more welcoming place for people forced to leave their homelands because of war or persecution. Lacey's organization, Mercy Beyond Borders, partners with displaced women and children overseas to alleviate their extreme poverty.

And for the rest of 2010:

Saturday, Sept. 11, 8:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m., at San Francisco Theological Seminary--Hear **Rev. Dr. Barbara Rossing**, author of Horizons Bible Study on Revelation .

Saturday, Sept. 18, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.--Women's Retreat hosted by Ruth Wu. *Peacemaking in Today's World*, with **Nancy Eng-McNeill**.

Saturday, Oct. 2, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.—Presbyterian Women gathering at Faith Presbyterian Church, Oakland, CA.

Monday, Oct. 18, 6:30 p.m. dinner, 7:30 p.m. program. **Nancy Chee** on work experience in Haiti. This meeting is open to church family and friends.

Monday, Nov. 15--Potluck Dinner hosted by Jean Chin.

December: TBA

## Happy Birthdays

### July

- 25 Pansy Lew
- 28 Lolan Ho-Wong
- 30 Marcella Soohoo

### August

- 4 Alvin Yu
- 5 Sarah Chuck  
Wayne Eng
- 8 Jeanette Huie
- 10 Cynthia Lee
- 11 David Miller
- 13 Karen Jin Soohoo

## Missions Committee Papers

Your Mission and Evangelism Committee will be offering occasional papers on current issues and events, with a focus on church and society. The committee's first paper is about the earthquake in Haiti and its aftermath. PCC member Nancy Chee writes about her personal experiences in Haiti, where she served as a medical volunteer.

Pick up a paper on your way out of the sanctuary today and take it home to read. Be moved and inspired.

## Spread the Word about PDA

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) has an opportunity to share through a national TV broadcast the story of our Presbyterian Church's long-term response to Hurricane Katrina and the thousands of volunteers who have worked alongside the people of the Gulf Coast. But PDA needs YOUR HELP!



Write to KNTV, 2450 North First St., San Jose, CA 95131, asking KNTV to order and air the documentary "2010 Horizons of the Spirit Series--Coming Home: Katrina 5 Years Later." This documentary is available through the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission, in association with NBC, from Sept. 12, through March 12, 2011. For more information, email Irene Ng at [IreneYoungNg@aol.com](mailto:IreneYoungNg@aol.com).

## Lectionary Readings

### August

- 1 Hosea 11:1-11  
Colossians 3:1-11  
Luke 12:13-21
- 8 Isaiah 1:1, 10-20  
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16  
Luke 12:32-40
- 15 Isaiah 5:1-7  
Hebrews 11:29-12:2  
Luke 12:49-56
- 22 Jeremiah 1:4-10  
Hebrews 12:18-29  
Luke 13:10-17
- 29 Jeremiah 2:4-13  
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16  
Luke 14:1, 7-14

## August 4

### Commemoration of the Eviction at the International Hotel

I-Hotel Manilatown Center

5:30 - 8 p.m.

868 Kearny St.

sponsored by CCDC and Manilatown Heritage Foundation

featuring dedication of new mural by Johanna Poethig

## Help Cameron House Accelerate

Cameron House is seeking to hire a full-time coordinator for its Accelerate Program, overseeing adult ESL classes and other support services.

The person should have a Bachelor's degree in social work, education, community development or related field; knowledge or experience working with immigrant families; be bilingual in English and Cantonese; and have some knowledge of community resources.

For more information, visit [www.cameronhouse.org](http://www.cameronhouse.org).