

NCNCUCC Forum # 4
"Faithful Witness for Justice and Peace"

February 10, 2007, 10:00 - 4:00 PM
First Congregational UCC, San Jose.

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Forum 4 "Faithful Witness for Justice and Peace" is less than two weeks away - February 10, 2007, 10:00 - 4:00 at First Congregational UCC, San Jose. Please share the following information with your congregation and plan to attend.

As with other Forums, we will be joined by representatives from the national setting of the UCC - this time by members of our denomination's Justice & Witness Ministries - Rev. Ervin Milton, Director of the Franklinton Center; Rev. Carlos Correa Bernier, Minister for Environmental Justice; and Ms. Ann Hanson, Minister for Children, Families, and Human Sexuality Advocacy.

We will also be honored to have present with us Bishop Elizer Pascua, General Secretary of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines.

The agenda for the day will include worship, greetings from our Conference Minister, Mary Susan Gast, and other Conference leaders, presentations by Bishop Pascua and members of the Justice & Witness Ministries Team and a variety of conversation groups on topics of concern to us all. The purpose of each Forum is to focus on a particular area of mission for local churches. The information, concerns, and questions that arise from the conversations and

presentations will be reviewed by the Conference Board of Directors so that they can shape the future content and staffing of the ministries of the Conference.

Conversation Groups for Forum 4 will include: A Christian Response to Issues of War & Peace; Earth Stewards Presentation on Global Warming; Human Rights Violations in the Philippines; A Christian Response to Immigration; Safe Church Practices; Refugee Resettlement; A new JWM-produced documentary "Troubled Waters"; How Mission Education can enhance your congregation using CWS/CROP as an ecumenical model; Jubilee and Economic Justice; and State-level advocacy.

As in past Forums, a delicious lunch will be served and child care will be provided.

As always, advance registration is appreciated and is particularly necessary if you need childcare or overnight accommodations. Register with Susan Walsh at First Congregational UCC, San Jose (408/377-7121).

For further information and updates, check out the NCNC website at www.ncncucc.org.