For February 20, 2014

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## TAMPA BAY E-NEWS

#### Possibilities for reflection and prayer and other opportunities for thinking and doing good:

- On behalf of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay, you are invited to the Service of Installation of Reverend Claudia Henderson at Forest Hills, Tampa, on Sunday, February 23 at 3:00PM
- Resource Center sales continue on February 27 from 9:00AM-1:00PM. For more information, please contact Sue Moore at the Presbytery office 813-868-4800
- The Tampa Bay area ranks third nationally as one of the worst areas for human trafficking and its effects. Thank you for your generous giving at the last Presbytery meeting, to address ministry needs related to this serious problem.
- Northwood Presbyterian Church would like to give away approximately 25 of the 1990 blue hymnals called "The Presbyterian Hymnal: Hymns, Psalms and Spirit Songs" to a good home. If you are interested, please contact Stephanie Carson at 727-796-8090.
- "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?" (Psalm 27:1)

# NEATO STUFF FOR YOU AND ME AROUND THE BAY AREA

#### **STORYTELLING**

On Sunday, March 2, 2014, **Gulfport Presbyterian Church** will have a Biblical Storytelling Program at 3:00PM. Micki Robinson, a Biblical Storyteller for 25 years, will present passages from the Gospel According to John. The Biblical Storytelling movement's focus is to celebrate and reclaim the oral tradition of scripture. Tellers strive to be faithful to the text. A freewill offering will be divided between the church fixit fund and overseas mission.

#### SEVENTH DAY PRAYER

The participation of Tampa Bay Presbyterians in Seventh Day Prayer is sustained by a committed cadre of individuals from the past two years and with an influx of new folks at every opportunity.

For Friday, March 7, the Seventh Day Prayer experience will be hosted at the Presbytery office at 12NOON.



Everyone is welcome, and the courtesy of your RSVP is requested by Tuesday, March 4 to Ann Marie in the Presbytery office 813-868-4800. We appreciate the RSVP for planning purposes for lunch and bulletins, so your courtesy is much appreciated.

On Monday, April 7, the Seventh Day Prayer Gathering will be hosted at McLeod Memorial Presbyterian Church in Bartow.

On Wednesday, May 7, the Seventh Day Prayer Gathering will be hosted at Westminster Communities in St. Petersburg, Florida.

#### THE SHINE TEAM

Do you know seniors or disabled individuals who have difficulty understanding their health coverage and could benefit from having free, unbiased counseling? You can help. Join the team of more than 400 SHINE volunteers who explain options to help clients make informed decisions. SHINE is a statewide volunteer program. To learn more, please call 1-800-963-5337.

### REGIONAL COMMISSION MEETINGS

Recently, the Presbytery agreed to a gentle start to Regional Commission meetings, with the first round scheduled for March 2014, to include fellowship, prayer, and conversation. The schedule for March is:

WEST—March 15 from 8:45AM-11AM at St. Andrews, Dunedin

HILLSBOROUGH-March 22

from 8:45-11AM at Village, Tampa

EAST – March 29 from 8:45AM-11AM at Highlands, Lakeland

Everyone is welcome to attend. The primary leader for the West Region meeting is Vice-Moderator John Fullerton, Presbytery officer and resident in the West. The Hillsborough Region leader is Celie Wilhite, Tampa resident and Coordinating Team Chair. The East

Region meeting will be facilitated by Patrice Hatley, Moderator of the Presbytery, and resident of Winter Haven in Polk County.

You are asked to arrive no earlier than 8:30AM on the day of the meeting to sign in and claim a name tag and bring \$3 for breakfast. We look forward to seeing you for this time together to listen for God and to each other.