

Cuba Working Group meets the **third Sunday of every other month** — September, November, January, March, May, July. Refer to the trifold for specific information. The Group discusses and decides on issues of Cuba Partnership, Cuba advocacy, and CE classes on Cuba. For more information, contact Marilyn Seiber, 703-893-1559, mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net.

BIBLE STUDY GROUPS:

- **The Alexandria Parish Study Group** meets the **fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.** We welcome newcomers! Please call Paul Dornan at 703- 971-9047 if you are interested in learning more about our group.
- **Circle II Presbyterian Women’s Bible Study** meets the **first Tuesday of each month, September through May, at 1:30 p.m.** at a member’s home. For more information, please contact Lenora Thierry at 703-920-7283 or Sandra Brake at 703-916-8125.
- **Cuba Partners Shared Bible Study:** Presbyterian partners and friends of the First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana conduct a twice-yearly shared Bible study with the selection of the text and prepared study guidelines rotating among the churches. Participants in addition to First Presbyterian of Havana are NYAPC, Church of the Pilgrims, Westminster Presbyterian Church United (Gainesville, FL), and participants from the Baltimore Presbytery. Churches exchange summaries of their discussions to share and review each other’s thoughts and ideas.
- **Small Group Bible Studies:** There are several different types of small groups getting together to learn, study, and enjoy the Bible. Some groups are just women, some groups can be just men. Some groups are young adults and some are older adults. Whatever your interests are for the type of group you would like to be a part of, please contact Miriam Dewhurst at 703-560-0871 to find out more about a small group for you.

Christian Learning Opportunities at NYAPC

Sunday, May 11, 2008

(10:00 – 10:50 a.m.)

Children and Youth Sunday School

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| Ages 3-5 (Teachers: Melanie Dann, Gwenn Gebhard, Robert Neill, and Mike Skowlund) | Room 12 |
| Ages 5-8 (Teachers: Kathy Doan and Sarah Whitlow) | Room 22 |
| Ages 9-11 (Teachers: Kim Ford and Emily Plagman) | Room 24 |
| Junior High (Teachers: Susan Hesser and John Quinn) | Park Level |
| Senior High: (Teachers: David Hoff, Betsy Merritt and Jim Rhodes) | Room 520 |
| Nursery for Babies and Toddlers – From 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. | Room 11 |

Adult Classes:

- **The Goodpasture Class in Lincoln Chapel**
“Rebuilding the Wall”- Nehemiah was a courageous and godly leader. Out of concern for God's people and zeal for God's covenant, Nehemiah took risks. He stepped out on faith in order to restore God's work among his people. He also made sacrifices. He voluntarily stepped down from his position in the royal court and traveled an enormous distant to serve God's people. The New Testament calls every Christian to live lives of sacrifices. Today’s lesson is from Nehemiah 2:1-8, 11, 17-18. **Teacher:** Roger Gench. **Prayer Leader:** Enoch Faniyi. For more information on this class, you may contact Yomi Faniyi at 703-258-4237.
- **The Emergent Church** with Rev. Dr. Edward White in **Room 511** (Look inside for additional information.)
- **The Parents Group** in the lobby of the Park Level by the elevators. Join other parents (of children of all ages) to discuss issues and share concerns and thoughts relating to family, church, and community with each other.

| | <p style="text-align: center;">EXPLORING SACRED TEXT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Bible Study either thematically or sequentially</i> • <i>Historical studies of church creeds and classical texts of the church.</i> • <i>Major studies of New York Avenue, especially recent survey of members.</i> • <i>Action plan for New York Avenue from survey and church values</i> | <p style="text-align: center;">SPIRITUAL FORMATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Exploration of the sacred in everyday life, the inner self, prayer</i> • <i>Consideration of poets, mystics, scholars and others who give attention to <u>spirituality</u></i> | <p style="text-align: center;">CHRISTIANS IN THE WORLD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Review of Christian perspectives on issues of war, peace, justice, homelessness, hunger and societal structures which create inequities</i> • <i>Development of, and continuous review of, individuals and community action in the world</i> • <i>Investigation of other relevant topics</i> |
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| May 11 | | | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Emergent Church</u> (Week 3 of 3)</p> <p>Rev. Dr. Edward A. White continues the series on "The Emergent Church." Rev. White is a consultant to the Alban Institute and is an organizational leader, trainer, and author. He has served as General Presbyter for the National Capital Presbytery and was President of the Council of Churches of Greater Washington. This class will be held in Room 511.</p> |
| May 18 | | | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>A Conversation on Religious Pluralism</u></p> <p>Following the series on "The Emergent Church," Riley McDonald will lead a discussion on how Presbyterians relate to tensions about belief both within our denomination and with other faith groups. Using segments from the weekly television program, "Religion and Ethics Newsweekly," we will review Pope Benedict XVI's recent visit to the United States along with stories about other faith groups appearing over the last several weeks. This class will be held in Room 511.</p> |
| May 25 | | | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Being a "More Light" & Covenant Network Church</u> (Week 1 of 3)</p> <p>Rev. Roger J. Gench will kick off this series with a discussion from "A Time to Embrace" by Stacy Johnson. This class will be held in Room 511.</p> |