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Rebuild Our Church In Haiti



Through the week of Sunday, June 26, the Diocese of West Missouri is partnering with other Episcopal Church dioceses to memorialize the demolished Holy Trinity Cathedral in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. In addition to preserving the cathedral site as a memorial, the project - called "Rebuild Our Church in Haiti" - entails building a new 1,000-seat cathedral next to it. At a cost of \$10 per brick, parishioners can help clear the remaining rubble, restore the murals that survived the earthquake and rebuild the cathedral. The plan also includes a school, a medical facility and a convent housing the Sisters of St. Margaret.

The coordinator of this campaign in our diocese is Sarah Cool, a parishioner at St. Paul's (Kansas City). Each parish has a designated person or persons to spearhead the effort within their congregation.

Reservations for Episcopal Church Women's annual breakfasts due by May 18



The diocese's [Episcopal Church Women](#) is sponsoring its third-annual complimentary breakfasts -- highlights will include music, St. Augustine's Liturgical Dancers and a presentation regarding the day care project in Palapye, Botswana - in Springfield and Kansas City - May 21 and June 11, respectively.

St. James' (Springfield) will host the first breakfast 10 a.m. Saturday, May 21. The second breakfast is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, June 11 inside Founders' Hall at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City. Additional time will be allotted to guilds and other parish organizations to share their projects, fundraisers and outreach programs. The ECW's board is seeking suggestions for a project in which members can support the Botswana effort. Once the day care has been built, needs will include household items and clothing.

Reservations are required by May 18 for the breakfast in Springfield and June 8 for the one in Kansas City. Contact persons are: Judy Turner, 417-623-1464, jannet@cablone.net; Pat Martin, 417-766-1227, pattie-anne@hotmail.com and Shirley Bolden, 816-795-6129, Sbolden2@comcast.net.

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Submissions for the E-Spirit should be emailed to: westmo_spirit@swbell.net

Jim Grant named director of Maison de Naissance



Maison de Naissance
Delivering Healthy Mothers and Healthy Babies in Haiti

On Wednesday, April 27, Jim Grant, a parishioner at St. Mary Magdalene (south Kansas City), began his first day as director of Maison de Naissance, a birthing center for Haitian mothers with offices in Kansas City. Grant has actively volunteered at Maison de Naissance since February 2008.

Registration deadline for Camp WEMO is June 3



Camp WEMO is an opportunity for youths, grades 6 to 12, to spend three days engaging in activities with one goal: unity. The event -- held from 5 p.m. Thursday, June 9 to noon Sunday, June 12 at the Windermere Conference Center on the Lake of the Ozarks -- will involve team-building activities, canoeing, swimming and scripture reflection.

Attendees, who need to supply their own linens, will stay in air-conditioned cottages that sleep eight people (four sets of bunks). Each cottage is equipped with a bathroom.

Cost is \$65 per participant. Cell phones and electronic devices are restricted to bedtime. For more information, please call Kim Snodgrass at 417-793-0780.

Culinary Cornerstones Expo and Graduation May 11



EPISCOPAL COMMUNITY SERVICES
Feeding the Hungry  Changing Lives

The culinary creations of Culinary Cornerstones' latest crop of students will be showcased 6 p.m. May 11 with a food expo and appetizer buffet at Founders' Hall at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral (Kansas City). Graduation will immediately follow.

Culinary Cornerstones, a part of Episcopal Community Services, helps train people for the food service industry. During each 12-week session, students learn culinary techniques, safe food handling, nutrition planning and life skills. Many of its students have barriers to employment, including substance abuse, criminal records or learning disabilities. To make a reservation, contact Arthur Diaz, 816-474-6524.

Education for Ministry a gateway to ministerial calling



The term "ministry" usually brings clergy to mind. Yet, the "ministry of the laity is vital to the health of the Church," says Margaret Heckendorn, Province VII ERD coordinator. Heckendorn is an alumnus of EFM, a four-year course that helps individuals discern their ministerial path and earn an education toward it. Short of a seminary education, EFM is an

excellent tool for those wanting to know what path their lives should take, and how they can attain it.

If you are interested in this program, please contact Janette Coil at janettecoil@sbcglobal.net. There are already EFM groups throughout the diocese.

Kairos Prison Ministry Led by Grace Church (Carthage) parishioner



Brian Jones, a parishioner at Grace Church (Carthage), will lead the ministry at this year's Kairos Prison Ministry, which seeks to bring the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to incarcerated individuals and their families. The ninth annual event will be held May 12 to 15 at the Crossroads Correctional Center in Cameron, Mo. The Revs. Jeff Bell and Steve Wilson - deacon and rector at Grace Church (Carthage), respectively - will participate in the event.