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A Message from Haiti

The Rev. Lauren R. Stanley, the Episcopal Church's appointed missionary in Haiti, has written a letter addressing how Episcopalians can best respond to the tragedy in Haiti. For a PDF of the letter, please click here:

<http://www.diowestmo.org/Letter%20Regarding%20Haiti%2001-20-10.pdf>

Church of the Redeemer and Haiti

David Peironnet, a member of Church of the Redeemer in Kansas City, writes about the many ways in which the church is helping a post-earthquake Haiti. For a PDF of the article, please click here:

[http://login.npwebsiteservices.com/Episcopal Diocese of West OLGQLH/Church%20of%20the%20Redeemer%20and%20Haiti.pdf](http://login.npwebsiteservices.com/Episcopal%20Diocese%20of%20West%20OLGQLH/Church%20of%20the%20Redeemer%20and%20Haiti.pdf)

Online survey for bishop search

Members of the diocese are urged to take an online survey that will help determine the profile for the next bishop. The survey, which takes about 20 minutes to complete, will be online until Wednesday, Jan. 27. To access the survey, please click here:

<http://www.diowestmo.org/NewDiocesanBishop.asp>

Celebration of Absalom Jones

A celebration of Absalom Jones, the first African-American Episcopal priest, will be held 11 a.m. Feb. 13 at the Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City. For more information, please click here: www.diowestmo.org/Absalomflier10.pdf

Christian Formation Commission

The Rev. Frank Sierra, rector at St. Philip's in Joplin and Christian Formation Commission member, writes about the importance of sharing educational resources. For a PDF of the article, please click here: [http://www.diowestmo.org/CFC Resources.pdf](http://www.diowestmo.org/CFC%20Resources.pdf)

Gumbo Dinner

St. Peter's in Harrisonville held its annual Gumbo Dinner Jan. 15. Jim Findley and his wife, Lee, traveled to Louisiana to buy the ingredients for the New Orleans-style gumbo, which included chicken and shrimp, red beans and rice, French bread and bread pudding. All proceeds from the event benefited the Harrisonville National Guard Armory Unit #1139 and its Family Readiness Group.

For Around the Diocese (a collection of congregational news briefs and photos):

<http://www.diowestmo.org/AroundtheDiocese%2001-25-10small.pdf>

For a calendar listing of upcoming meetings and events within the diocese:

<http://www.diowestmo.org/Calendar.asp>

For a PDF of the prayer cycle:

<http://www.diowestmo.org/Advent%20through%20Epiphany%202009-2010.pdf>