



October 23, 2009

To: Moderators, PW in the Synods **Hispanic/Latin Presbyterian Women**
Moderators, PW in the Presbyteries **National Korean Presbyterian Women**
Asian Presbyterian Women **Middle Eastern Presbyterian Women**
National Black Presbyterian Women **Native American Presbyterian Women**

From: LaDonna Fay, Chair, Presbyterian Women USA Mission Experience Committee
Re: Presbyterian Women USA Mission Experience 2010

Destination: South Dakota

Date: September 9 – 16, 2010

The Presbyterian Women USA Mission Experience will send twenty to thirty women for 8 days, including travel days, to South Dakota. During that week the participants will visit our Native American Sisters to learn about their day to day life, challenges they face and concerns they have.

The USA Mission Experience Committee needs your help in the selection process. At least one participant will be chosen from each of the sixteen synods. A promotional flyer and application form are attached, and are also included in the Fall, 2009 Quarterly Mailing. We ask you to duplicate and share these materials widely and promptly.

Each applicant must return her completed application form to the moderator of Presbyterian Women in her synod and send a copy to the moderator of Presbyterian Women in her presbytery by Jan. 15, 2010. The application must be complete and accurate.

Each PW synod moderator will appoint a committee from the synod coordinating team to select three candidates to **submit to the USA Mission Committee by March 1, 2010** for final selection. Consider age, mobility and racial ethnic diversity.

Send the three approved applications, no later than March 1, 2010 to the following:

PW USA Mission Experience Committee
c/o Kathy Reeves
100 Witherspoon Street
Louisville, KY 40202-1396
FAX: (502) 569-8026

The USA Mission Experience will cost approximately \$1,600.00 per person, plus travel to Sioux Falls and returning from Rapid City, South Dakota. Each participant will be responsible for her own finances. We anticipate Presbyterian Women in presbyteries, synods and congregations will support the participants selected from your area.

Challenge your constituency to learn about the lives of Native American women. Watch future issues of *Horizons* and websites for resources that will help Presbyterian Women become informed and involved as we work together to understand the issues confronting our Native American sisters and how those issues affect all of us.

Attached/enclosed: USA Mission Experience 2010 promotional flyer and application form.

Cc: CCT, PW staff, Congregational Enhancement staff