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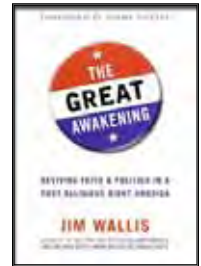
Spring-Summer 2010

Come and
visit us!

The joy of the Lord will be your strength!

Nehemiah 8:11

Changing the World- Discussion of the book *The Great Awakening: Seven Ways to Change the World* by Jim Wallis continues to challenge participants. The challenge is to make seven commitments on the personal, communal, and national levels to move us toward a better world. Visit www.sojo.net for more information on Jim Wallis and the Sojourners' mission. **TUESDAYS, MARCH 16, APRIL 13, 2:30-4:00 PM.**



Prayer Shawls: A Ministry of Love- Future celebrations to plan for? Consider giving a prayer shawl for a wedding couple, a birthday celebrant, to parents at the birth of a child. These gifts bring a lasting remembrance of love. Ministry to the sick and grieving also brings comfort in the gift of a prayer shawl. Join the group of knitters and crocheters who meet monthly to continue this work of their hands and remember others in prayer. Requests for shawls can be made by phone (715-532-9611) or by e-mail (info@servitecenter.org). **WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 24, APRIL 28, MAY 19, 2:00-4:00 PM.**

◆**Linda Miller.** She is founder and Executive Director of Civil Society, with its mission of providing victims of human trafficking with comprehensive services. As time allows, short DVD's — "Hope for Human Trafficking Victims" and "The Thailand Project" — will be viewed. Free will donation. **TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2:30 WITH A REPEAT AT 7:00 PM.**



Human Trafficking: The Reality- Come to hear the personal story of a trafficked victim, learn the presence of human trafficking in our area, and hear some ways this problem is being addressed by ordinary citizens.



Presenters

◆**Bukola Oriola.** A Nigerian journalist who came to the USA in 2005 to report on the United Nation's 60th anniversary, Bukola will share her experiences of being innocently enslaved in Minnesota. She will tell of her journey to freedom.

Echoes- The Influence of National Socialism and War on Teenage Years- Ursula Chiu, who lived in Germany under National Socialism, returns to SCL to continue sharing her experiences of living under the influence of National Socialism. In this presentation Ursula will discuss how the ideas of National Socialism penetrated her early life as a teenager, living in a Youth Labor Camp, and the experience of war on people in everyday life.

Presenter

◆**Ursula Chiu.** She was born in Germany and worked as a high school teacher of French and English before immigrating to the United States in 1957. While continuing her career in Chicago, she completed an M.Ed at Loyola University. Ursula now resides in La Crosse, Wisconsin, where her late husband was a Professor of Philosophy at Viterbo University. Free will donation. **SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2:00-4:00 PM.**

ON-GOING PROGRAMS

Peace Vigil, Tues., 4:30-4:45 pm. Weekly time of silent group prayer for the gift of peace in our world. Around the Peace Pole outdoors in clement weather; other days: around the world flag in 1st floor meeting room.



Centering Prayer, Tues., 5:30-6:00 pm. Experience the power of quiet prayer together in small chapel of the Servants of Mary.

For information, contact Sister Sharon (715-532-0308).

Creative Community, Mon., 10:00 am-11:30 am: Mar. 22, Apr. 26, May 17, June 28, July 26, Aug. 30. Bring your favorite art or craft. Use your creativity; enjoy fun and socializing while sharing stories and ideas. Refreshments provided.

Herbal Study Group, Spring meetings to begin; for dates contact Mary Heintz, 715-532-6153.

Future Program: Garden Under Glass-

Prepare now for a creative arts project: create a salad or dinner plate or a votive candleholder as a decorative art piece with pressed flowers. Over the spring and summer, collect flowers, ferns, daisies, black eyed susans, cosmos, pansies, Queen Anne's lace, etc.



To prepare: place specimens between two sheets of absorbent paper (manila, construction, newspaper). Put them into a big, fat book and pile more books or a heavy object on top. In 4 to 6 weeks, your flowers will be ready for the fall art project. See you in the fall.

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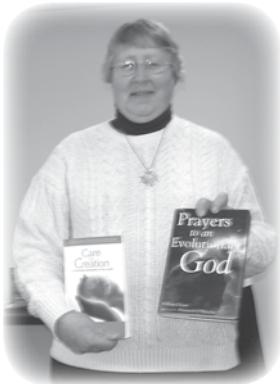
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Special Event at SCL — The Call and Commission to Care for Creation

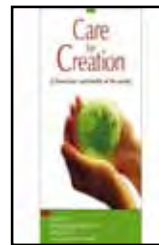


In January Sister Lucy Slinger, FSPA, presented an exciting and challenging presentation on the important topic of our need to care for creation. She asked participants to

check on their world view which affects our behaviors in relations to self, others, God, and Earth. Using the Franciscan Trinitarian and incarnation interpretation, Sister Lucy contrasted the anthropocentric and ecocentric worldviews.

To emphasize the crucial need to move into the ecocentric worldview, she quoted Thomas Berry, "We will go into the future as a single sacred

community, or we will all perish in the desert." Supplementary reading materials suggested were "The Earth Charter" and "The 2010 World Day of Peace" message by Pope Benedict XVI. The message was well received by participants and a future follow-up presentation by Sister Lucy is anticipated.



SCL's COMPLEMENTARY PRACTITIONERS

Please call practitioners for information or to make an appointment.

Polarity Therapy

Renee McCann
Wed., Thurs.: Mar 10, 11;
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(715-239-3850)

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