I. VISION AND MISSION

Our Vision

We are an annual conference of churches
growing in discipleship and ministry
for Jesus Christ.

Our Mission

The purpose of the annual conference
is to make disciples for Jesus Christ
by equipping its local churches for ministry
and by providing a connection for ministry beyond the local church,
all to the glory of God.

The primary focus of our annual conference
is to identify, support, train and nurture
effective lay and clergy leaders to strengthen
local congregations for ministry in the world.

We are in mission and ministry in the name of Christ
for the transformation of lives and the redemption of the community;
that the hurting may be healed,
that the hungry may be fed,
that the lost may be found,
that the Shalom of God may come upon the earth.

Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar

I envision a Church of the Pentecost in which the Holy Spirit is igniting, gifting and empowering God's children of all ages, backgrounds, colors, and personalities to glorify their Creator as passionate witnesses for Jesus Christ. Such a church does not merely serve the poor, the left out, the different, but welcomes them warmly into its heart, home and worship.

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Greater New Jersey Annual Conference, The United Methodist Church
"Disciples Transforming the World: Through Our Presence"
Valley Forge Convention Center, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

June 3-5, 2010

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

"Disciples Transforming the World: Through Our Presence" is the theme of the eleventh session of the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference to be held at the Valley Forge Hotel and Convention Center from June 3- 5, 2010.

May I request all of you to join me in prayer as we prepare ourselves to be in Holy Conferencing for the glory of God as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. It is my hope that our theme will truly radiate throughout our gathering as we bless one another with our presence, words, deeds and radical hospitality.

We are truly blessed to have Rev. Stephanie Hand as our Conference preacher and Rev. Dr. John Holbert as our Bible study leader. Both of them are fine Christian disciples, preachers, scholars and United Methodist clergy, deeply committed to the ministry and the mission of the Church.

We also will be inspired by the preaching of Rev. Dr. Esther Chung Kim at the Tribute Service, and Rev. Dr. Kadie Billman at the Commissioning Service. Both of our clergy sisters who are on extension ministries represent our Conference very well in their ministry settings along with other extension ministers in various other settings.

An honest open dialogue, filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, is essential for our corporate discernment and decision as people of God committed to making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Please encourage your fellow congregants to be in prayer for us so that all our decisions, remembrances and celebrations truly enable us to strengthen our Christian discipleship and to witness in our respective communities, nation and the world.

May God's peace be felt at every moment of our Holy Conferencing and may all our decisions be undertaken without fear, with love, hope, peace and courage, dreaming God's dream and vision.

Looking forward to seeing you at Valley Forge.

In Christ's love,

Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar

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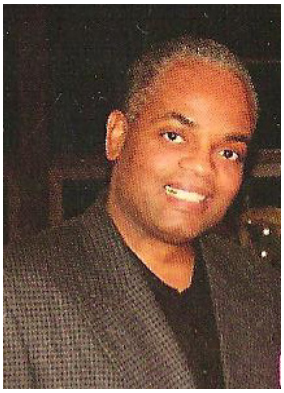

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2010 RETIREES

(First row from left) **Robert W. Scott, Lucy Martinez, Hazel Thomas Shue, Marilyn Kay Sainsbury, Robert Ralph, Koo Yong Na,** ***(Second row from left)*** **John Donald Painter, Joyce Radcliffe Mayer, Jack Thomas Howard, Duk Kyun Lee, Frank Aguilh**

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