

JUBILEE MINISTRIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Membership

Mr. Phillip Mantle, <i>Chair</i>	Chicago
Mrs. Linda Bemis	Kansas
The Ven. Michael Kendall	New York
Mrs. Priscilla Murguia	West Texas
Mr. Peter Ng	New York
Dr. Jack Plimpton	Los Angeles
Mrs. Carol Robertson, resigned, 2002 replaced by Mrs. Debra Hubbard	South Dakota
The Rt. Rev. Charles vonRosenberg	West Tennessee
Mr. Frank Oberly	East Tennessee
The Rev. Canon Carmen B. Guerrero	<i>Executive Council liaison</i>
	<i>Staff</i>

WORK SUMMARY

Jubilee Ministry's (JM) mission is to make a direct and dynamic link between our theology and our ethics – said another way – the *talk* of our faith and the *walk* of our faith.

The Standing Commission on the Church in Metropolitan Areas (SCCM), created by the 1979 General Convention, was to make recommendations for “new patterns of mission and ministry.” The 1982 report to Convention included a program for “mission and evangelism in urban and other deprived areas, with ... focus on the local congregations.” JM was called a “celebrative ministry... , in partnership with the poor, the powerless” and so at the same Convention with Resolution A80a, JM was born over 20 years ago.

JM centers have almost tripled this triennium with a quality assurance component now in place. At the three training events for new Jubilee Centers directors, over 400 attended. Two national Jubilee Gatherings strengthened the Diocesan Jubilee Officers and Program Directors network. Ministry workshops and a presentation on anti-racism were provided while connections between evangelism and justice were concretized. Three training events for new Diocesan Jubilee Officers were held, at each, a session on site visits for re-confirmation and potential Jubilee Centers was held.

The Jubilee Ministry Advisory Committee (JMAC) met six times. JMAC recommended to Council a plan for its own restructuring and that centers be reaffirmed every seven years. JMAC created a new Jubilee ministry category, “Affiliation,” for 40 Jubilee Ministry Centers in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Other JM work this triennium: 1) A consultation with the Hispanic Ministry Office; 67 congregations learned about JM. 2) Jubilee Center site visits by the Presiding Bishop. 3) Anti-racism hearings (Social Justice Office, co-sponsor), held at Jubilee Centers in five dioceses; 50 African American, Hispanic American, Native American, and Asian American Episcopalians shared their stories. 4) A Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation consultation (JPIC) were sixteen justice ministries presented. Members from the Council's Committee on National Concerns, the House of Deputies president, and Church Center staff attended.

The Office of Jubilee Ministry work included:

- Five Volumes of “Jubilee Centers” books highlighting their ministry.
- A small book on the Jubilee story from a legislative perspective in the church.
- Yearly calendars with Jubilee Center photos and lessons from the daily office.
- The “2000 Jubilee” video translated into Spanish. Distribution: English, 700 and Spanish, 100.
- Developed and revised the application, site visit and reaffirmation forms.
- Web-site implemented <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/jubilee/>

Resolution A015 Jubilee Ministry Thanksgiving

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of _____ concurring, That the 74th General Convention acknowledge with thanks to
2 God the ministry of Jubilee on its 21st anniversary; and be it further
3 *Resolved*, That this ministry of “joint discipleship in Christ with poor and oppressed people, wherever they
4 are found, to meet basic human needs and to build a just society,” continue to be “at the heart of the
5 mission of the Church...;” and be it further
6 *Resolved*, That Jubilee Ministry be reaffirmed and commended to the whole Church.

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND FAITH

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Membership (2000-2003)

Mr. Milton Coleman, <i>acting Co-Chair</i>	Central New York
The Rev. Barbara Smith-Moran, S.O.Sc., <i>Co-Chair</i>	Massachusetts
The Rev. Dr. Norman Faramelli	Massachusetts
The Rev. Dr. Kendall Harmon	South Carolina
Dr. Neil James	Florida (appointed 10/02)
The Rt. Rev. Robert H. Johnson	<i>Council Liaison</i>
Dr. Robert Schneider	Western North Carolina
Chaplain Lt. Mark Winward, USN, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Assigned to Olympia (resigned 10/02)
Ms. Susan Youmans	Massachusetts

WORK SUMMARY

The redemption of Christ brings healing and restoration, not simply to men and women in creation, but to the whole created order. The God who makes the world comes to that world to redeem a holy people *in and for* the world. With this understanding, the Committee on Science, Technology and Faith (ST&F) strives to bring before the Church concerns resulting from science and technology that bear upon the redeemed life of God’s people and their relationship with the whole of creation.

Toward this end, ST&F reports the following initiatives undertaken during the 2000 – 2003 Triennium:

- 1/01 national 3-day conference, “Genetic Engineering and Food for the World,” at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City.
- 2/01 public forum with speaker Bill Joy of Sun Microsystems: “Genomics, Robotics, and Nanotechnology,” at Grace Cathedral, San Francisco.
- 11/01 launch of the new electronic ST&F network newsletter: at <http://home.earthlink.net/~smithmoran/>
- 4/02 program for the Ecumenical Roundtable on Science, Technology and the Church in Canada and the US. A practicum on effective educational writing in science and religion, with Jim DeLa, Director of Communications, Diocese of Southwest Florida.
- 4/03 Ecumenical Roundtable hosted by ST&F at Roslyn Conference Center, Diocese of Virginia.

To implement its work, ST&F chose four study areas in the current triennium because of their immediate importance for the beliefs and communal life of faith. Four subcommittees were formed:

The **Subcommittee on Creation** received endorsement for its Mission Statement at the June 2002 Executive Council meeting <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/gc/ec/ccs/ecstf/minutes/default.html>. Its educational agenda assists the Church corporately and Episcopalians individually in acquiring a thorough knowledge of and appreciation for the Christian doctrine of creation, particularly in its Anglican expression. Subcommittee chair Robert Schneider is writing a set of essays on critical issues in science and religion for the Berea College web site at <http://www.berea.edu>. These will serve as preliminary studies for materials for distribution to the Church via the web.