PRESBYTERIAN MISSION AGENCY BOARD April 15-17, 2015 Racial Ethnic & Women's Ministries Ministry Area

ITEM C.201 FOR INFORMATION

"ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT" PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN TRIENNIAL GATHERING JUNE 18-21, 2015 MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA I CORINTHIANS 12:12-27

The Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women (PW) is a time to make and renew friendships, enrich our minds and souls and engage in new ways to live out our PW Purpose through mission opportunities, advocacy work, and Bible study.

The Gathering will be an opportunity to renew ourselves as an important body within the Church—one body with many members. It will be a time to celebrate the one Spirit that lives and works through all of us. We will recognize the gifts of the Spirit that have graced each of us and lift up the shared mission and ministry that is accomplished when we work and worship together as a single body.

Plenary speakers including Neddy Astudilla, Teresa Chavez Sauceda, Melissa Bane Sevier, Anita Gutschick, Judy Yates Siker and Robina Marie Winbush will present on the themes: "Oneness in the Community of Faith," "Celebrate Community," "Oneness in Creation," "Oneness in the Community of Women" and "Oneness in the Global Community."

Forty workshops will be offered on Friday and Saturday. Some will be offered in Spanish and Korean. Local mission tours will help participants learn about and celebrate ministries in the Twin Cities area. Global partners will be present throughout the whole Gathering to share their stories, so that we might listen and learn from them. Participants will experience community through book clubs, get-togethers, the Spirituality Center, exercise classes, and a full exhibit hall.

Participatns will have an opportunity to collect \$10 prepaid Target gift cards from their home communities to support the American Indian Family Center (AIFC) in St. Paul. This activity is a great way to include home community members in the Gathering community.

All are welcome! Please consider joining us at the Hyatt Regency Minneapolis to be part of the "One Body, One Spirit" we will celebrate there. Bring your friends and family so that you can celebrate and share your gifts with the whole community.

Registration booklets are available online at www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.