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***Changing Times. . . Unchanging Mission:  
Equipping Disaster Ministry for Tomorrow***  
**Forum on Domestic Disaster Ministry**  
**Saturday, Sunday, Monday & Tuesday, April 17-20, 2010**  
**New Windsor Conference Center, New Windsor, MD**

Unparalleled challenges face the U.S. religious community today in its traditional mission of meeting humanitarian needs following natural and human-caused disasters. While maintaining the integrity of serving the most vulnerable within the context of good stewardship and an ethical foundation, it must creatively adapt and innovate in the midst of a sluggish recovery from a major economic downturn, social and political turmoil, technological revolution, and other realities in the welter of an ever-changing world.

At the fourth Church World Service Forum on Domestic Disaster Ministry, scholars, researchers, theologians, and field personnel will help religious community disaster program leaders and their secular partners engage current issues towards shaping their work into the future. Forum participants will examine the not-for-profit landscape in the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century, partnership opportunities and pitfalls with an activist interventionist government, public relations and fundraising strategies, and new practicalities in assisting disaster survivors.

The small town campus setting of the New Windsor Conference Center, a Church of the Brethren meeting facility in the rolling hills for rural western Maryland, offers a relaxed and refreshing venue for the reflection and conversation that are the hallmarks of this important event.

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## FORUM SCHEDULE

### Saturday, April 17

2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<b>Registration</b>	
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Opening Dinner</b>	<b>Dining Hall</b>
6:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	<b>Welcome, Event Overview and Opening Worship</b> Bob Arnold (Church World Service) and Mary Hughes Gaudreau (United Methodist Committee on Relief)  Elder Lydia Walker, Forum Worship Leader	<b>Blue Ridge</b> Multi-purpose room
7:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.	<b>Break</b>	
7:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	<b>Music for World Peace</b> Tony Brown, world peace advocate and musician/composer	<b>Blue Ridge</b> Multi-purpose room

### Sunday, April 18

#### The Changing Not-for-Profit Landscape

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Breakfast</b>	<b>Dining Hall</b>
8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.	<b>Morning Worship</b> Donna Derr (Church World Service)	<b>Blue Ridge</b> Multi-purpose room
9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<b>Keynote Address with Q&amp;A: Government &amp; the Faith Community: Hallelujah &amp; However</b> David Myers (Director, Office of Faith-Based & Neighborhood Partnerships, U.S. Department of Homeland Security)	<b>Blue Ridge</b> Multi-purpose room
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<b>Break</b>	
10:45 a.m. – 12 Noon	<b>Plenary: Community Resilience vs. Professionalism &amp; Government Intervention</b> Jody Kretzmann (Northwestern University)	<b>Blue Ridge</b> Multi-purpose room
12 Noon – 1:30 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Blue Ridge</b> Multi-purpose room
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Plenary Presentations: Government – Not-for-Profit Relationships</b>  Rabbi Myrna Matsa (Rabbinic Pastoral Counselor, Hurricane Katrina Relief, NY Board of Rabbis in partnership with The Jewish Federations of North America)  Jannah Scott (Deputy Director, Office of Faith-Based & Neighborhood Partnerships, U.S. Department of Homeland Security)  Diana Rothe-Smith (Executive Director, National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster)	<b>Blue Ridge</b> Multi-purpose room

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<b>Break</b>	
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Panel Discussion: Government – Not-for-Profit Relationships- The Good, the Bad &amp; the Ugly</b>	
	Moderator, Tom Hazelwood (United Methodist Committee on Relief), David Myers, Jody Kretzmann, Myrna Matsa, Jannah Scott, Diana Rothe-Smith	
5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	<b>Daily Summary</b>	
	John Robinson (Presbyterian Disaster Assistance)	
5:30 p.m.	<b>Dinner</b>	Dining Hall
Evening	<b>Kindred Interest meetings (as requested)</b>	TBA

**Monday, April 19**  
**Doing Disaster Ministry in Today's World**

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Breakfast</b>	Dining Hall
8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.	<b>Morning Worship</b> Lydia Walker	Windsor Auditorium
9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<b>Plenary: The Nature &amp; Scope of Disasters Today</b> William Hooke (American Meteorological Society)	Windsor Auditorium
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<b>Break</b>	
10:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon	<b>Plenary: Lost in Translation: Disaster Myths &amp; Realities</b> Tricia Wachtendorf (University of Delaware)	Windsor Auditorium
12:00 Noon – 1:30 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Plenary (Part One): Telling the Story of Disaster Ministry: Communication &amp; Fundraising in Today's World</b> <i>Plenary presentations, panel discussion &amp; audience interaction related to disaster scenario</i>  Kaye Englin (Lutheran Services in Iowa), Matt Hackworth (Church World Service communication officer) Pastor Michael Stadie (Lutheran Services in Iowa), Jeannette Sutton (University of Colorado at Colorado Springs)	Windsor Auditorium
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<b>Break</b>	
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Plenary (Part Two): Telling the Story of Disaster Ministry: Communication &amp; Fundraising in Today's World (continued)</b>	Windsor Auditorium
5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	<b>Daily Summary</b> Bonnie Vollmering (Church World Service)	Windsor Auditorium
Evening	<b>Dinner Off Campus</b>	

## Tuesday, April 20

### Doing Disaster Ministry in Today's World

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Breakfast</b>	Dining Hall
8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.	<b>Morning Worship</b> Lydia Walker	Windsor Auditorium
9:00 a.m. -- 10:15 a.m.	<b>Plenary: Green Building -- An Overview</b> <i>Allan Gentry (Cleveland State Community College)</i>	Windsor Auditorium
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<b>Break</b>	
10:45 a.m. – 12 Noon	<b>Workshop Option: Green Building</b> Allan Gentry	TBA
	<b>Workshop Option: Crafting Effective Grant Applications</b> David Montanye	TBA
	<b>Workshop Option: National Jewish Community in Disasters</b> Rabbi Myrna Matsa & Howard Feinberg	TBA
12 Noon – 1:15 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Plenary: The Future- The Faith Community in Disaster Response</b>  <b>Capstone Remarks</b> Kevin Massey (Lutheran Disaster Response)  <b>Panel Discussion: CWS Domestic Roundtable Panel</b> Moderated by Florence Coppola (United Church of Christ)	Windsor Auditorium
3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	<b>Break</b>	
3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<b>Closing Worship and Sending Forth</b> Lydia Walker	Windsor Auditorium