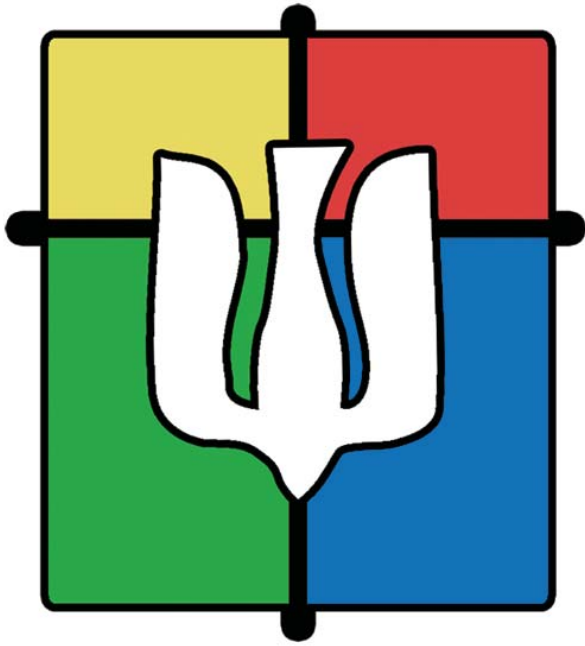


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# Regional Multicultural Conference & Festival

Friday & Saturday,  
October 30-31, 2009

CHARLOTTE, NC

God is bringing all nations and tongues  
to our church doors...

Do we embrace this adventure with hope?  
Or do we hunker down in fear?

*Where is  
your faith?*

*"A windstorm swept down on the lake, and the boat was filled with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them,*

***'Where is your faith?'***

*They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, "who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?"*

*Luke 8:22-25*

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## KEYNOTE:



**Rev. James Kim** is the pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church, in The Colony, TX outside of Dallas. In the last five years, Trinity has experienced over 350% growth in membership, attendance, and finances. Rev. Kim is a graduate of Pepperdine University and Union Theological Seminary. He is a member of the Form of Government Task Force, and he served as Moderator of the Social Justice Committee at the 216th GA. He also serves on the Evangelism Committee and the Church Development Committee in Grace Presbytery. He also serves on the Board of Presbyterians for Renewal.

Rev. Kim is a frequent speaker at conferences – PCUSA Multicultural Conference, Moderator’s Conference, Wee Kirk Conferences, and Cross Cultural Alliance of Ministries. He lectures yearly at Moscow Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and leads leadership seminars and conferences for presbyteries and congregations both in the US and abroad.

James and his wife, Helen, have four children: Karis, Kaitlin, Kailey and Kaleb.

## WORKSHOPS

*Workshops are available during both Sessions I & II, unless otherwise noted.*



### **Intentional Leadership - Leading with Purpose and Vision**

*Rev. James Kim, Pastor, Trinity Presbyterian Church, The Colony, TX*

If you don't know what it is you are trying to say, your partner has not hope of understanding you. That's the first rule to good communication in marriage. The same principle applies in leadership. If you and your leadership team do not know where you are leading your people, your organization has no hope of thriving. The Bible says it like this – *“Where there is no vision the people perish.”* (Prov. 29:18) This workshop will explore how we can begin leading with purpose and vision.



### **“That’s No Way to Dress for Church!” 1 Corinthians 11:2-16 in its Multicultural Context**

*Dr. Christopher Hutson, Associate Professor of New Testament, Hood Theological Seminary, Salisbury, NC*

The Corinthian Christians disagreed about what hairstyles and clothing were appropriate for worship. That trouble arose because Christians in Corinth came from different ethnic groups, religious backgrounds, educational levels, and social classes, and each group brought its own assumptions and preferences about what was appropriate for worship. We'll look at ancient paintings, sculptures and texts to understand their cultural context. Then we'll follow along as Paul tries to guide them through the minefield, looking for principles we can apply to our own multi-ethnic, socially diverse congregations. *(Session I only.)*



### **Walk Together Children: Youth and Children Building Community**

*Dianna Wright*

This workshop will focus on ways we can help foster lasting relationships between children and youth of all ethnicities. How can we encourage their connections from schools, neighborhoods, and sports teams to deepen into transformative friendships? Come and explore ways to nurture dialogue, learning, and trust among our children. *(Session I only.)*



### **Building Beloved Community: Dismantling Racism**

*Leadership Team from New Hope Presbytery: Dr. Marcia Mount Shoop, Theologian in Residence of University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill, NC*



*Dr. Gun Ho Lee, Staff Member for Multicultural Ministry, New Hope Presbytery and Pastor The Rev. Jimmie Hawkins, Pastor, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC*



Resistance to racism is a life-long work and yet few of us have taken time to unpack much of what it is and how it functions. This workshop offers participants an opportunity to explore systems of power and privilege that perpetuate racism as well as assumptions and experiences that obscure the harm of racism. Together we

will practice using tools and resources that can empower us to be agents of change.

# REGIONAL MULTICULTURAL CONFERENCE 2009



## **Contrasting African-American and Latino Experiences in America**

*Jose Hernández-Paris, Diversity Specialist, Charlotte-Mecklenburg School District*

Many individuals tend to compare the achievements and challenges of African-Americans and Latinos. However, it is necessary to understand the similarities and differences of these communities in order to truly understand their struggle. Learn about the unique backgrounds of these two groups from the perspective of a Latino that grew up in Charlotte.



## **"We Have to Preserve Our Identity!" Fear of Change in a Multicultural Context (Deuteronomy 7:1-6)**

*Dr. Dora Rudo Mbuwayesango, Associate Professor of Old Testament, Hood Theological Seminary, Salisbury, NC*

The concern for the preservation of a community's identity may lead to more than discriminatory and exclusive tendencies toward those we fear. Because we fear how they might influence us to change who we are, our concern for preservation may even lead to a desire to destroy them. Let us explore together a key Old Testament passage to see how the desire to maintain religious identity can cause a community to engage in acts of violence in the name of God. *(Session II only.)*



## **A Time of Change: Immigration and the Church**

*Julia Thorne, JD, Immigration Counsel and Manager of Immigration Issues for the Office of the General Assembly*

Immigration to the United States has impacted the church in many ways. This workshop will focus on the current immigration situation in the US, how the church is involved and ways we can respond in our churches and communities.



## **"Whosoever... a Model of Inclusion and Embrace"**

### **A Round Table Discussion**

*The Rev. Floretta Watkins, Pastor, Seigle Avenue Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, NC & members of the congregation.*

Seigle Avenue Presbyterian Church is a congregation of great diversity, strength and grace. We model inclusion, and often times we get broadsided by the very gifts that we have in each other. Come hear stories of hope, fear, and faith as we share our stories. Members of the congregation will in a panel discussion format unfold many mysteries as we wrestle with sexual orientation, the place of gifts in the church and ways to be community within the PC(USA). You won't want to miss this workshop. *(Session II only.)*

## SCHEDULE

### **Friday, October 30, 2009**

- 3:00-4:00pm Check in/Registration
- 4:00-5:00pm Refreshments/Gathering
- 5:00-5:30pm Praise Opening
- 5:30-6:20pm Welcome
- What's happening with Multicultural Ministry?*
- 6:30-7:20pm Dinner
- 7:30-8:30pm Keynote
- 8:45-9:45pm **Multicultural Jam @ First Presbyterian**  
*Bring your instruments & voices!*

### **Saturday, October 31, 2009**

- 7:00-7:45am Breakfast @ First Presbyterian
- 7:45am Prayer, Announcements
- 8:00-9:15am Session I Workshops
- 9:30-10:45am Session II Workshops
- 10:45-11:30am Check out of hotel
- 12:00-3:00pm **Multicultural Festival**  
*@ Sugaw Creek Presbyterian*  
**Worship begins at noon.**

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# Multicultural Festival 2009

Saturday, October 31, 2009

Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church  
101 W. Sugaw Creek Road  
Charlotte, NC 28213



Multicultural  
Worship Service  
*12:00 noon*

Music  
Dance  
Exhibits  
Videos  
Children's Activities  
Storytelling  
Food



*...and more!*



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**Charlotte Center City**  
100 West Trade Street  
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Contact the hotel directly to make  
reservations. Conference room rates  
are being held through September 23.  
Marriot Phone: (704) 333-9000

Check-in 3:00pm  
Check-out 12:00pm  
On-site parking fee:  
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**Choose  One Session I Workshop &  One Session II Workshop**

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- A Time of Change: Immigration & the Church
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