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Synod gets high marks

Presiding Bishop to join us in 2015

'Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.'

An Order for Compline — BCP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It has been nearly four months since our Province IV Synod at Kanuga, but I still can see your faces and hear your voices — those of you who are bishops or deputies to General Convention, and those who so generously gave of their time to lead us in worship, to moderate workshops, to provide us with music, to share gracious hospitality! Evaluations (and thank you to those who took the time to respond) pointed to a Synod meeting that not only helped us to know one another but, also, provided information and gave us opportunities to engage in helpful discussion. Even with a high approval rating, there was valuable feedback on ways to improve upon our time together: suggestions for topics for breakout groups, requests for more time for first-time deputies to prepare for serving as deputies to General Convention and, alas, pleas for the return of the ice cream social! Thanks to all for your input, your prayers, your kind follow-up notes, and your hard work.



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Presiding Bishop

Your Executive Committee met in Charlotte, N.C., earlier this month and, in addition to reviewing Synod evaluations, began planning for Province IV Synod 2015. I'm happy to report that our **Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev, Katharine Jefferts Schori**, has accepted our invitation to be with us on the evening of June 3rd and most of the day on June 4th. We have asked her to deliver the sermon and to celebrate the Eucharist with us at our opening service. With General Convention coming a little over two weeks after Synod, it is



PIV Vice President, the Rt. Rev. Dabney Smith, the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church

going to be very helpful to have Bishop Katharine and some of her staff with us to assist in our preparations for Salt Lake City.

As you may have noticed at Kanuga in June, we have an unusually large number of new deputies in our province, and they are eager, as are all of us, to be as well prepared as possible before convening in Utah. By the arrival of our Synod dates, **June 3-5, 2015**, we will have had opportunities to study resolutions (in the form of Blue Book reports) with our individual diocesan deputations, and will have a better grasp of the issues that will have priority at General Convention. It is our intention to have a **special orientation session for first-time deputies** on June 3rd, prior to the opening of Synod. Please stay tuned for more information and, by all means, let us know some of your specific topics of interest.

Most of us, I hope, participated in the webinar presented

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Province IV Synod 2015 to offer orientation for new GC deputies

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presented by TREC earlier this month, and have had follow-up conversations since its airing. I know that several diocesan deputations have reported that they were able to gather and watch the webinar together — what a great idea! Please share any feedback that you may have so that we can learn from each other. At a couple of meetings that I have attended since the webinar, I have repeatedly heard that we should not expect any earth-shattering actions on restructuring to occur at this General Convention due to the overwhelming amount of considerations that must be discussed before huge changes are made. TREC is doing a tremendous job and we're proud of members of Province IV who are participating in that work.



Province IV mission

As we look at structure, we need to continually review ways that our province can move forward together in mission. Across The Episcopal Church, Province IV is lauded as one of the most active, most collegial and fastest growing of our nine provinces. One of the reasons frequently cited is the success of many of our ministry networks. However, in reviewing our triennial budget, the provincial Executive Committee has noted that not all of our current networks are particularly active, and a few do not use money that is designated for their use. We are proposing that we take a look at the networks that are highly successful, keep them funded and in place, and create a system for granting funds to new provincial ministries that may be more relevant and effective in today's world. Thank about it, please, and do not hesitate to weigh in with your own thoughts as we continue the conversation. Stay tuned for more information in coming months and pay attention to the reports coming from the devoted folks who are “out in the fields.”

Finally, I urge you to continue to pray, individually and collectively, for all God's children. It seems that with escalating violence in our own country and in the world, with the threat of ISIS and the spread of Ebola, people are desperately afraid. More and more I am reminded of God's words to Joshua: “...do not be frightened...for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” As people of faith, as brothers and sisters in Christ, we are called to override the alarming voices of the news media by sharing the Good News of the Gospel. **Let's lift our voices high!**

With prayers and great affection,

Angela M. Daniel
President, Province IV

Harvests in PIV Environmental Ministry

Greetings to the leaders and churches of Province IV. May this fall season bring to you and your ministries a mature harvest of the fruit of God's Spirit. I would like to share with you some harvest of environmental ministry that is coming to maturity at this time.

Resistance to the Creation Care — A Panel Workshop

St. John's Episcopal Church in Johnson City, Tenn., will partner with Green Interfaith Network to host their first program for the year at the Summit Leadership Foundation, 3104 Hanover Rd. in Johnson City from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19. The Rev. Dr. Jerry Cappel, Environmental Network Coordinator for Province IV, and a panel of other clergy and faith leaders from the TriCities area will consider the question, "Is Earth stewardship moral, spiritual, practical, and/or political?" The event is free and open to the public.



Cappel

I will present from my article Deeper Green Churches, where I

explore the following (excerpt from Deeper Green Churches):

How can those concerned for the environment and those concerned for church vitality come to a common table? Most agree that good stewardship of buildings and grounds, energy efficiency, recycling and the like are wise and helpful things for the church to be doing. Most would agree that the environmental crisis is at least partially a sign of poor stewardship, and poor stewardship should be corrected with good stewardship. Many will also agree that environmental exploitation that adversely impacts the lives of poor people should be challenged by the church's prophetic voice. But these agreements fall short in that they frame the issue as one of material mismanagement. And these frameworks, while providing some traction within the church, also keep it from having a deeper and most central place in the church's life — its sacramental life of worship, prayer, fellowship, evangelism and mission. They fail to establish environmental issues deeply within the traditionally central concerns and work of the church as church: holiness, justice, fellowship, worship and salvation. The opportunity for both environmental health and church vitality is to connect the one to the other.

For more information,, go to the EM4 website at: http://www.provinceiv.org/Content/Environmental_Ministries_1.asp.

2014 Grant Applications Open

Each year EM4 provides several small grants (up to \$1,000) to assist environmental ministry projects within Province IV.

Applications for those grants are now open. Past grants have gone to assist with educational events, school supplies, garden starts, bike racks, web sites and the like. If you or someone you know might benefit from such a grant, you are encouraged to apply. Simply email me with a brief proposal, and we can move forward from there. Grant awards will be made in December.



I am always available for workshops, speaking, preaching and consulting on behalf of environmental ministry in Province IV. Please contact me if I can help. Also, if you or someone you know is involved in environmental ministry in Province IV, but is not in contact with the EM4 network, please contact the EM4 Network coordinator, the Rev. Jerry Cappel, at jjcappel@hotmail.com. Also, visit the EM4 website at: http://www.provinceiv.org/Content/Environmental_Ministries_1.asp.

A Life of Grace Study Curriculum

In September, 2011, the House of Bishops produced a pastoral letter on the environment and made it available to the churches. In that letter, the bishops made an appeal to the church to attend more carefully to the issues of the environmental crisis of our day, engage in acts of repentance and renewal, and "to accept the gracious invitation of the incarnate Word to live, in, with, and through him [Christ], a life of grace for the whole world, that thereby all the earth may be restored and humanity filled with hope."

In response to that letter, the Rev. Stephanie Johnson (Province 1) and I have joined to create a study curriculum based upon this pastoral letter to be used in the churches. This five-week series combines reflection and discussion on the pastoral letter, Bible texts and the Book of Common Prayer to consider how the Episcopal Church might follow the bishops' lead and respond to the opportunity, through Christ, to "live a life of grace for the whole world."

This study series could be used either as a series of Sunday morning classes or a weekend retreat. If your church or group would like to have this series in your church or group, please contact me to make arrangements. Stephanie or I could come and conduct a weekend retreat or help train a teacher to conduct a Sunday series.

[To read the letter in its entirety, go to: <http://bit.ly/19OMgtR> or <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/notice/episcopal-church-house-bishops-issues-pastoral-teaching>]

Province IV youth challenged to discover more about God's love

Standing in Talkeetna,, Alaska, and looking at the majesty of Mt. McKinley, I was awed by the beauty of God's creation and humbled by the opportunity to share in the grandeur of this incredible mountain. I have also been awed and humbled by the magnificence of our Province IV Youth Ministries! This past summer within our Province IV Middle School Mission Experience, the Episcopal Youth Event 2014 and the Province IV Youth Event, young people from 6th grade through 12th grade were challenged to discover more about God's love. They were also challenged to seek justice in the midst of injustice, to learn more about their faith, to strive to have stronger connections within The Episcopal Church and to become the Beloved Child of God that God intends for each of them to be.

The Province IV Middle School Mission Experience was held in June at St. James Episcopal Church in Wilmington, N.C. Forty-seven young people and adults gathered to explore "mission" through Micah 6:8..."Do Justice. Love Kindness. Walk Humbly with God." Each day the young people went into the community to serve... building a swing set for a low-income family with six children, restoring a physically challenged woman's home to a place where she could maneuver and live more fully, building a deck so children under the age of 18 months could learn to crawl and to walk while their mothers



were being helped to begin a new journey in their lives, and painting classrooms and bathrooms so other children and adults could learn more about God's presence in their lives.

On three successive nights, we journeyed deeper into Micah 6:8 through our programs and through our worship. Kim Smith (ATL), Christy Beesley (TN) & Cookie Cantwell (PIV Youth Coordinator) coordinated this event and The Rev. Stephen Mazingo (FL) served as Spiritual Director. Jamey

Graves (NC) served as the PYEMS Musician. Robin Brown (EC), Sam Bailes (WNC), Matt Coutu (ATL) and Charlotte Bailes, (WNC) were the high school/college Leadership Team. It was truly an amazing experience filled with joy, service, love, grace and laughter!



In July, Province IV "rocked the house" at The Episcopal Youth Event held at Villanova University in Philadelphia. Roger Villatora (SEFL), Lillian Hardaway (USC), The Rev. Abi Moon (FL), and Cookie Cantwell (PIVYM Coordinator) were on the EYE Planning Team. Charles Milling (SEFL) and "Live

PIV Youth Event at Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia

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Youth leaders prepare for GC 2015

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Hymnal” led EYE in a musical extravaganza! The focus of “EYE 2014” was on the Five Marks of Mission and each person was challenged, motivated, equipped and empowered to “GO” out into our world and “Begin a Movement” that will prove that “LOVE HEALS.”

We were blessed to have The Rev. Becca Stevens (TN) Creator of Thistle Farms and Magdalene House and The Rev. Michael Curry (NC) Bishop of The Diocese of North Carolina as EYE speakers. Approximately 1,300 young people and adults who accompany our youth participated in plenary sessions, workshops, community gatherings and worship. EYE 2014 was truly an outstanding and life-changing event!

Immediately following EYE, 97 Province IV young people and adults who accompany them began the 2014 Province IV Youth Event. Our mission was to work alongside of the people who attend The Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia and to help restore and improve this beautiful church.

The Church of the Advocate has a rich and exciting history and beautiful large painted murals that adorn the church's interior walls. The Rev. Renee McKenzie helped us learn more about the challenges that face people living near The Church of the Advocate, and we created “Prayer Stations” for each of these meaningful murals, hosted a Vacation Bible School for the children who live near the church, painted the entire fence around the church and began the restoration of the auditorium which will once again bring the performing arts to this wonderful church and her people.

Each night we met in small groups to process what we had experienced during the day and we could conclude the night with singing, sharing and worship. Beth Crow (NC), Lisa Aycock (NC) and Cookie Cantwell (Province IV Youth Ministries) were the coordinators for PYE 2014 and Jamey Graves (NC) provided music.

So, what is next? In December, the Province IV Youth Ministries Leadership and Network Meeting 2014 will be held on Dec. 4-7 at the Solomon Center, Diocese of Louisiana. During this gathering the youth and adult representatives from our 20 Province IV dioceses will get to know one another and we will share our “best practices,” our ideas, our strengths and our challenges. We will do some problem solving, some creative thinking and some planning together. We will learn more about The Episcopal Church as The Episcopal Church prepares for General Convention 2015.

Information will be shared about upcoming events, mission experiences and pilgrimages that Province IV will be offering such as “Lift Every Voice; Freedom Ride” coordinated by Beth Crow, Diocese of North Carolina, “Quito Quest 2015” coordinated by The Rev. Abi Moon (FL), Cameron Vivanco (Ecuador) and Cookie Cantwell (PIV YM Coordinator) and



opportunities to participate at The Episcopal Church General Convention 2015. Amelia Arthur (LA) will be the meeting coordinator. All dioceses in Province IV have been sent the registration information about this meeting.

It is with great pleasure and with a thankful heart that I serve God within Province IV. Province IV is blessed to have meaningful Youth Ministries programs and tremendous relationships among our young people and our adults. It will be fun and exciting to see where God will guide Province IV Youth Ministries as we move toward 2015 and beyond! For more information about our Province IV Youth Ministries, please contact Cookie Cantwell, cookie@stjamesp.org

— Cookie Cantwell, PIV Youth Ministries Coordinator



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HIV/AIDS Retreat attracts 257

Once again, Province IV was a major sponsor of the annual HIV/AIDS Retreat, held in June at the Kanuga Conference Center. Bishop Michael Curry was the spiritual leader, Trey Clegg (St. Paul's Atlanta) led the music, and The Rev. Marty Stebbins served as Chaplain. What a wonderful experience for the 257 people who attended.

The states (including many dioceses) who provided for the most people to attend were North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi and Georgia, although we are pleased to report that there were individuals there from many other states/dioceses. In combination, the dioceses of Upper South Carolina and The Episcopal Church in South Carolina sent the most people.

To show the limitless possibilities for HIV/AIDS work, we would like to showcase the work being done in the Diocese of Upper South Carolina. Deacon Dianna Deaderick, representative for the diocese and serving at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Columbia, S.C., has reported on their work:

- With funding from the Diocese of Upper South Carolina and other donations, sponsorships were provided for 51 people to attend the 2014 HIV/AIDS Retreat at Kanuga.

- When the National Episcopal AIDS Coalition announced their "HIV/AIDS Welcoming Parish" initiative, St. Luke's HIV/AIDS Ministry, Dare to Care, was the first to sign up.

- Through collaborative efforts with other organizations, St. Luke's has provided education and testing for students at Voorhees College in Denmark, S.C.

- Dare to Care was a partner in the Columbia World AIDS Day event held at the State House, in the Project FAITH prayer breakfast event, and also partnered with AIDS Health



The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry

Foundation as a site for advocacy training called Lunch-Learn-Act.

- St Luke's is a partner with Midlands Technical College's Dept. of Human Services as a student site for practicum work and is also a site for mobilizing community members to call their congressional members to request support of the Ryan White Patient Equality and Choice Act (HR4260).

The energy being shown in the Diocese of Upper South Carolina and other dioceses in Province IV is encouraging. Recently, the Diocese of Louisiana named a representative to the HIV/AIDS Retreat Planning Committee. The possibilities for HIV/AIDS ministry work are limitless and we encourage everyone to let us know what activities are taking place in your diocese!

The 2015 HIV/AIDS Retreat at Kanuga will be held June 5-7, 2015. Planning will get under way Nov. 21-22 at a meeting at All Saints Episcopal Church, Atlanta. Dioceses that would like to be more involved are encouraged to send a representative.

— Lola Thomas, Chair, HIV/AIDS Ministry



Worship leaders prepare for Eucharist



Christian Formation Steering Committee presents workshops, works with Kanuga

The Province IV Christian Formation Steering Committee has had a busy season. In March, members of the committee were invited to present workshops at the Diocese of Alabama's "One" weekend retreat. In June, the committee met during Kanuga's 86th Christian Formation Conference where members of the committee were also involved as staff or presenters for the conference.

At Kanuga's 87th Christian Formation Conference next year (June 8-12, 2015), most of the Province IV committee will be staff members or presenters. "HOPE in the Midst of Crisis: From Tragedy to Healing through Forgiveness" will be the theme and committee member Debbi Rodahaffer (KY), will be the lead coordinator for the conference. Laurie Bailey (LA) will lead daily classes on Christian Yoga, Jackie Boedecker (FL) will lead two workshops for educators on tools needed for great parish ministry and intergenerational events that work, Jenny Beaumont (NC) will lead an "Introduction to the Enneagram," Catherine Drewry (GA) will lead walking tours to describe the flora found on Kanuga's beautiful property, Kathy Graham (AL) will lead a workshop on "Leading Formation with and for Ladies and Gentlemen of Experience" and Becky Rochford (TN) will present "Wonder with the Young Child."

Keynoter, the Rev. Lyndon Harris, who was the priest-in-charge at St. Paul's Chapel at Trinity Church, in New York City on 9/11 will talk about how that work serving thousands of volunteers doing unspeakable work has informed and transformed his life and led to the work he is now doing through "The Gardens of Forgiveness." The conference chaplain, the Rt.

Rev. James Magness, Suffragan Bishop to the Armed Services and Federal Ministries and Canon at The National Cathedral, will talk of how his experience at the Pentagon on 9/11 was instrumental in the work he is now doing in the Middle East.

A combination of workshops on the topic, a mini-CREDO experience presented by Church Pension Group, formation, art in many forms, and practical presentations on "How to make your church safe and/or ready to handle crises from natural disasters to day-to-day safety" with take-home emergency preparedness binders will be presented by 32 presenters who are "top" in their fields. Plenaries and workshops along with opportunities to restore body and soul, beautiful music by Martha Bassett and Pat Lawrence, meaningful worship, networking and fun are making this a must-attend conference for everyone in ministry. All parishes are encouraged to send a team.

In addition to work at Kanuga, the Province IV Christian Formation Steering Committee encourages all dioceses in Province IV to invite either the entire committee or members of the CF Steering Committee to be part of their conferences to present workshops on requested formation topics. The combined formation experience of the members of the committee represents more than 100 years. They understand the needs and desires of congregations in the 21st Century. Contact Jenny Beaumont, chair, at beaumont@ChristChurchCharlotte.org for more information.

— Catherine Drewry, member PIV CFSteering Committee



Province IV Christian Formation Steering Committee, from left, Laurie Bailey, Jenny Beaumont, Kathy Graham, Jackie Boedecker, Catherine Drewry and Debbi Rodahaffer

UTO awards grants to 36 dioceses

— *Board prepares for Offering's 125th anniversary*

The United Thank Offering Board has had a busy granting year. In June, 48 grants were awarded for a total of \$1,525,407.78 for the mission and ministry of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. These grants were awarded to projects in 36 domestic and overseas dioceses. Known worldwide as UTO, the United Thank Offering grants are awarded for projects that address human needs and help alleviate poverty, both domestically and internationally.

A total of 83 grant applications were received and reviewed by the United Thank Offering Grants Committee. The 48 grants which met the criteria were then read and rated by each of the board members. The grants ranged from \$2,500 to the Diocese of Iowa to \$124,750 to the Diocese of California and their companion diocese, Malawi.



Nine grants, totaling nearly \$330,000, were awarded in Province IV. The following dioceses received grants: East Carolina, Companion Dominican

Republic; Florida; Florida, Companion Cuba; Georgia; Louisiana; Mississippi; Mississippi, Companion, Panama; Southeast Florida, Companion Haiti; Upper South Carolina, Companion, Haiti.

In honor of the 125th Anniversary of the United Thank Offering, the UTO Board is Offering ten special Bishops' Grants of \$12,500 each. One grant will be awarded to a diocese in each of the nine provinces, and to the Presiding Bishop for a worthy recipient of her choice. The board read each grant received from the provinces and based on the individual rating, the grants will be awarded. The timeline for the grants is as follows: October 23 the Executive Council approves grants; October 27th the grants will be announced and checks sent to recipients; May 1st the final reports and photographs due; June 2015, grant recipients presented at General Convention.

Continuing the celebration of the 125th anniversary of its ministry as a part of The Episcopal Church, the UTO Board has created a special \$1,250 grant for Young Adults as part of this celebration. Each diocesan bishop is being asked to select one application for submission per diocese. Of those submitted, one

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— Marcie Cherau, PIV



of the diocesan grants will be chosen per province for a total of nine (9) grants. Each awardee will receive \$1,250 to carry out their ministry.

The timeline for the grants is as follows: December 1, Young Adults Grant application posted online; February 15, deadline the grants have to be submitted; May 8 grant recipients will be notified; June 2015 the three top-ranked grant recipients will be brought to Triennial and honored at the UTO dinner. This coming Triennial/General Convention should be very exciting with much to celebrate.

We really appreciate every Episcopalian in the pew and their thankful coins. Please continue your Spring and Fall Ingatherings, as without the change from every Blue Box there would be no money to give in grants. I am challenging every church to give 25 percent more in this fall/spring Ingathering than last year, and for the churches that did not participate last year to give \$125 in Ingathering donations. Remember our logo "Our Change Changes Lives"! Thank you.

— Marcie Cherau, Prov. IV Representative and Vice President, United Thank Offering Board

The Rt. Rev. Brian R. Seage

Mississippi bishop coadjutor consecrated

The Very Rev. Brian R. Seage was consecrated Sept. 27 as a bishop in The Episcopal Church and Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Mississippi. Current diocesan, the Rt. Rev. Duncan Gray, co-consecrated with the Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori at the ceremony attended by 22 bishops in Jackson, Miss. Bishop Seage most recently served as rector of St. Columb's Episcopal Church in Ridgeland, Miss., a post he's held since 2005. He is pictured at right with his wife, Kyle, who is rector of St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Jackson, Miss., and their two daughters, Katie and Betsy.



Skirving

East Carolina to consecrate Skirving as bishop Nov. 8

The ordination and consecration of the Rev. Robert Stuart Skirving will take place Nov. 8 at 11 a.m. at the Rock Springs Center in Greenville, N.C., in the Diocese of East Carolina. The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori will preside. Skirving will become the 8th bishop of the diocese.

Skirving most recently has served as rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in Midland, Mich., a position he'd held since 2005. Before that, he served as rector of Bishop Cronyn Memorial Church in London, Ontario, Canada. He was elected May 17 and received the required majority of consents Sept. 9 in the canonical consent process.

He and his wife Sandy have two grown children.

ECW alive and healthy in Province IV

Province IV ECW as a whole is alive and healthy. The two dioceses with no diocesan ECW (South Carolina and Kentucky) have contact women. The Province officers are there to help them organize when they are ready.



Owens

Local active ECWs that are organized and meet regularly with programs and some business mainly are in mid- to large-size parishes, while smaller missions operate as a family with both men

and women working together — but the women are the organizers!

Their ministries range from providing meals for the sick and at funerals, to Bible study groups, fellowship dinners and fund-raising projects. Projects vary widely in different geographic communities and in local churches to meet their needs. Hurricanes and floods have increased the number of churches having their own food banks, clothes closets, and thrift stores.

Community Gardens at churches that have land have started gardens that not only bring parishioners together, but also include neighbors that are non-members — and surplus produce adds fresh produce to food bank distributions.

In Province IV, many ECWs are involved in diocesan projects: Children at Risk in Mississippi, selling mugs and crosses for summer church camp in Georgia, and collecting toiletries for Grace Camp for children with incarcerated parents in Louisiana.

And in local churches, ECWs sponsor quiet days in Lent and Advent, provide

Easter baskets, Christmas gifts and school supplies, and make neonatal caps, comfort pillows and chemo caps for hospital oncology units. They also raise money with Christmas tours of homes, formal teas, church bookstores, Lenten luncheons, bake sales, rummage sales, craft bazaars and auctions.

It is the women who push and promote ingathering for United Thank Offering and the Church Periodical Club. Province IV contributions have declined in the past few years but as a large province we still are a major contributor.

Although traditionally structured ECWs are declining on the local level,

women's ministries are nurturing themselves as well as serving others, through book clubs, periodic meetings, restaurant dinners, even slumber parties.

ECW gatherings will have three elements: spiritual, service-oriented and social components.

As a whole younger women and working women are not interested in business meetings, planning projects, attending retreats or conferences, but they are willing to give of their time to participate on particular projects that have a definite time frame commitment.

— **Barbara Owens, President,
Province IV ECW**



Attendees at the PIV 2014 ECW Conference at Kanuga in June

Province IV Synod 2014

General Convention deputies — lay, clergy and bishops, along with leaders and guests from all 20 dioceses in Province IV gathered at Kanuga Conference Center near Hendersonville, N.C. June 4-6 for a mid-triennium review of The Episcopal Church and its ministries in the Southeastern United States. PIV President Angela Daniel presided over the gathering and directed the 200-plus attendees to presentations and discussions on TREC (the Task Force Reimagining the Episcopal Church), the Task Force on the Study of Marriage, and the Committee To Elect a Presiding Bishop. Provincial ministry networks led workshops on Anti-Racism, Youth, Campus, Environmental, and HIV/AIDS ministries. And, representatives from the Magdalene Program and Thistle Farms in Nashville, Tenn., offered a special workshop on Human Trafficking. There was also a “movie night” at which participants chose from viewing two award-winning films, “12 Years a Slave” and “Captain Phillips.” Worship, instruction, and fellowship were the hallmarks of the gathering, which served as a test run for deputies to learn to work together at both Synod and General Convention next year.





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Provincial Calendar

- Nov. 19-21, 2014 — Province IV House of Bishops meeting, Camp Weed and Cerveney Conference Center, Diocese of Florida, Live Oak, Fla.
- Nov. 21-22, 2014 — HIV/AIDS Retreat Steering Committee planning meeting, All Saints Episcopal Church, Atlanta, Ga.
- Nov. 24-26, 2014 — Province IV Campus Ministers Retreat, Ignatius House, Atlanta, Ga.
- Dec. 3, 2014 — Provincial Leadership Conference, Maritime Institute, Linthicum Heights, Md.
- Dec. 4-7 — Province IV Youth Ministries Leadership and Network Meeting, Solomon Center, Diocese of Louisiana
- April 24-27, 2015 — Province IV Altar Guild Conference and Workshop, Kanuga Conference Center, Hendersonville, N.C.
- June 3-5, 2015 — Province IV 2015 Synod, Kanuga Conference Center, Hendersonville, N.C.
- June 25 - July 3, 2015 — 78th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, Salt Palace, Salt Lake City, Utah