



News from Your Council of Churches



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Dates to Remember:

- Friday, Mar. 7, 2014**
9:00 am Church Women United
 – DC Unit, World Day of Prayer at Union Wesley AME Zion Church, 1860 Michigan Ave, NE, 202-716-7219
- Monday, Mar. 10, 2014 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm** Heeding God's Call protest before Realco Guns on Marlboro Pike in District Heights, Maryland
- Thursday, Mar. 13, 2014**
12:00 Noon CCGW Board of Director's Meeting at NCCC
- Friday, Mar. 14, 2014**
10:00 am Heeding God's Call protest continue before the National Rifle Association Headquarters on Waples Mill Road in Fairfax, Virginia
- Thursday, Mar. 20, 2014**
11:00 am CCGW Food Distribution at Second Baptist Church, 816 Third St., NW
- Friday, Mar. 21 thru Monday, Mar. 24, 2014 12th**
 Annual Ecumenical Advocacy Days at the Doubletree Hotel, Crystal City, VA. Visit www.advocacydays.org.
- Monday, Mar. 24, 2014**
5:00 pm to 6:00 pm Heeding God's Call protest before Realco Guns on Marlboro Pike in District Heights, Maryland

- Friday, March 28, 2014**
1:15 pm CCGW call meeting at NCCC
- Thursday, Apr. 10, 2014**
10:30 am CCGW Executive Committee Board Meeting at Second Baptist Church
- Wednesday, April 30, 2014**
RSVP to reserve table for the CCGW Ministry Resource Fair
- Tuesday, May 20, 2014**
 First Annual Civili-Tea Citywide Creative Expression Contest deadline
- Thursday, May 22, 2014**
 Annual Spring Assembly and Ministry Resource Fair

HEEDING GOD'S CALL IMPACTS ON GUN LEGISLATION

The 2 years of protesting before Realco Guns on Marlboro Pike in District Heights, Maryland was a contributing factor in the State of Maryland Gun Legislation effective October 1, 2013 requiring 4 hours of training by State Police before a permit is granted to purchase a gun. Mr. Del Real awaits the impact this will have on his business. The Washington Post documented that 82 guns purchased at Realco Guns

later resulted in 82 deaths in the District of Columbia and Maryland.

The protests continue on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 4:00 to 5:00 PM changing to 5:00 to 6:00 PM when Day Light Saving Time goes into effect in March. Also protests continue before the National Rifle Association Headquarters on Waples Mill Road in Fairfax, Virginia on the 14th of every month at 10:00 AM. The 4th day chosen as a commemoration of the 20 children and 6 adults killed in Newtown, Connecticut on December 12, 2012.

The Board of Directors of the Council of Churches of Greater Washington having endorsed Heeding God's Call under the leadership of President James E. Terrell has resulted in this Multi Faith Movement to end Gun Violence also enlisting Muslims and Reformed Jews in support of the protests. At the NRA Headquarters on the 14th of each month 20 T Shirts with the names of the 20 children killed on each shirt are strung with a long cord held up by the protesters.

Become a Member of CCGW

Membership in the Council is encouraged for those living or

ministering in Greater Washington.



To join and participate, please contact us at the Council of Churches of Greater Washington, 5 Thomas Circle, NW, of Washington, DC 20005, at 202-745-0425 or ccgw@verizon.net.

SPRING ASSEMBLY MINISTRY RESOURCE FAIR

During our Spring Assembly on May 22, 2014, the Council of Churches of Greater Washington will host a Ministry Fair. Ministries and social programs from across the metro area are invited to show case their service and good works, share information with other houses of worship, agencies and the general public.

This will be a great time to network, gather and share information to form partnerships and identify new referral sources of your clients and congregation.

Date: Thursday, May 22, 2014

Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Location: Second Baptist Church, 816 Third Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

Cost of Table: ½ table \$20
Full table \$35

RSVP by April 30, 2014

Call 202-745-0425 to reserve your table!

Grants and Resources

One of the goals of the Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships

Please send any news or announcements for the Newsletter to the CCGW office before 10:30 a.m. on the preceding **Wednesday**.

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is to make sure that neighborhood organizations are aware of relevant grant opportunities throughout the Federal Government. Neither the Office nor the Agency Centers award grants or administer or manage Federal grant programs, but they do notify community leaders about opportunities to apply for grants and other forms of Federal financial assistance. The links below identify some of programs in which faith-based and other neighborhood organizations are being engaged as partners:

Grants websites:

Grants.gov - This electronic system allows you to search for grant opportunities across multiple factors such as Agency, Services, Populations, and most Recently Announced.

USASpending.gov - This electronic system allows you to identify grants that have been awarded to entities in your community.

Recovery Opportunities

Recovery.gov - The website includes information about Federal grant awards and contracts as well as formula grant allocations.

Grant opportunities listed on Grants.gov - This website within Grants.gov lists information about grant opportunities related to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act or ARRA.

This searchable database provides an opportunity to quickly and easily find information based on keywords or categories associated with the work of faith-based and community organizations.

Corporation for National and Community Service Resource Center - The Resource Center is the knowledge management training and technical assistance that is the best source for connecting service programs with targeted training and information.

Department of Health and Human Services Tools and Resources Page - This link provides tools and resources that have been assembled to enhance the work of faith-based and community organizations in areas such as technical assistance, emergency preparedness, research, and more.

Incorporate Your Nonprofit Organization in Your State - Many states have online information about nonprofit organizations and charitable activities.

Federal Tax Information for Charities and Nonprofits - This website provides information about points of intersection between nonprofit organizations and the IRS. The content includes explanatory information, and links to forms that an organization may need to file with the IRS.

For more information visit ~ <http://www.whitehouse.gov/administrati on/eop/ofbnp/resources>

Ecumenical Advocacy Days for Global Peace with Justice – Doug will provide article

NCC's First 'Christian Unity Gathering' slated May 18-20 in Washington, DC area

Washington, March 10, 2014 – The National Council of Churches first "Christian Unity Gathering" of leaders from member communions and other partners will be held May 18-20, 2014, in the Hilton



Washington, Dulles, Herndon, Va. This is the NCC's first national gathering since it reorganized last year, reduced the size of the Governing Board, and created four 'convening tables' responsible for key mission and programs. The Council's response to mass incarceration will be fleshed out by the May Gathering, and by the Council's Governing Board. Likely to be included in the discussions are the realities that For the full article visit: <http://nationalcouncilofchurches.us/news/2014-02solitaryconfinement.php>