

**PRESBYTERY OF THE TWIN CITIES AREA**  
**Mission and Witness Committee**  
**January 14, 2012 Report to Presbytery**

1. The 2012 PTCA Mission Grant Application is available on the Presbytery Website. 2012 Applications are due April 1, 2012. Limited funds will be set aside for other projects that develop later in the year, applications will be accepted throughout the year.
2. Since our budget took a dramatic cut this year, dropped \$8000 from our 2011 budget, we are urging congregations and individuals seeking Grants to connect their mission work with our Peace making PCUSA materials in order for us to use available Peacemaking Offering funds as well to sponsor local mission initiatives.
3. A new streamlined 2012 Application for Scholarships to Conferences in the areas of Peace and Justice, Missions, Education, Disability Ministry and Leadership Development, is available online through out the year.
4. In recent years, the M&W committee has focused its efforts on building and supporting our PTCA churches in local projects. We still desire to create a communication vehicle to better share the inspiring stories of our churches in these efforts. In 2012, M&W will also work more closely to benefit the presbytery through focusing and relaying information about our PTCA churches involvement in regional and international partnership work. It was mentioned several churches have working relationships already, so we hope to develop effective ways to increase our connections with them and other churches or individuals in our Presbytery.
5. Our Committee is seeking feedback and a 2012 mission Statement from all of our Task Forces (Education, Peace & Justice, Disabilities Ministries, Leadership Development) along with comments and suggestions from members of Presbytery. We will devote our January and February meetings to develop new visions and goals for the Mission & Witness of the PTCA. Please feel free to contact our committee with your comments at [mission@ptcaweb.org](mailto:mission@ptcaweb.org).