

# The Greatest Stories Ever Told

Stewardship, Evangelism and Congregational Development

*June 26 – 28, 2008*

Monarch Conference Center, Portland, Oregon

As Christians, we have thousands of stories that inspire, challenge, encourage and nurture us. This conference is presented by Province VIII to help us tell our stories in ways that promote the Kingdom of God. Expect to use both sides of your brain, hear new stories, learn new ways of telling them, and feel more confident sharing your own. This is a family friendly event. There will be times for the entire group to be together and special activities for children and youth.

## Featured Speakers

**The Rt. Rev. Mark MacDonald** – National Indigenous Bishop, Anglican Church of Canada

**The Rev. Rebecca McCain** – Executive Director of the Godly Play Foundation

**The Rev. Winifred Vergara** – Director of Ethnic Congregational Development for the Episcopal Church

**The Rev. Eric Law** – founder and executive director of the Kaleidoscope Institute for Competent Leadership in a Diverse and Changing World

## Workshops

Friday Morning (*choose one*)

- Small Group Ministry (Covenant Groups)
- Lectio Divina: An Ancient Practice on Reflecting on the Stories
- Knitting: Creating the Fabric of Our Story
- Sacred Dance for All Generations
- Congregational Ministry in a Diverse World
- Spiritual Gifts, Stewardship and Story
- The Gospel in Four Directional Thinking

Friday Afternoon (*choose one*)

- Quilting: Art As Spiritual Practice
- Word Show: Telling the Story with Drama
- Web Design
- Telling Our Story
- Celebrating and Caring for Creation
- That We May All Be One, All Cultures: A Panel Discussion

Saturday Morning (*choose one*)

- The Celtic Faith and Story Telling
- The Heart Has Its Reason
- The Life-Changing Power of the Stewardship Story
- Congregational Ministry in a Diverse World
- Photo Language: Telling Stories Through Images

**The Children's Program** is designed in the same light as Godly Play. Stephen Bentley, the creator of the nationally syndicated comic strip *Herb and Jamaal* will assist the **Youth Program**.

## Registration

**Adults:** \$280 received by April 1, \$300 received by May 1, \$325 received after May 1.

*Oregon scholarships available\*: requested and registered by May 1, your cost is: \$120*

**Youth and Young Adults** (ages 13-21) \$150

*Oregon scholarships available\*: requested and registered by May 1, your cost is: \$60*

**Children** (ages 4-12): \$75

*Oregon scholarships available\*: requested and registered by May 1, your cost is: \$30*

No charge for children under age 4, childcare (if required) will be available at parent's expense.

**For more information or register on line go to [www.provinceviii.org](http://www.provinceviii.org).**

To receive a brochure for more details including workshop presenter information see the Diocese of Oregon Website or contact **Connie Ross at [jracon@juno.com](mailto:jracon@juno.com) or 503-658-8754.**

**\*Scholarships are limited. You must contact Connie Ross and request scholarship before registration.**