

Peacemaking Offering

About the 2007 Peacemaking Offering

October 7 is World Communion Sunday, the day the Peacemaking Offering is usually received by Presbyterian churches. This year's Peacemaking Offering theme is taken from a verse in the book of Revelation. The verse is part of a larger description of John's vision of the new Jerusalem. One of the images John uses is the tree of life, with its twelve kinds of fruit and leaves that are to be used for the healing of all the nations of the world. It is an image of a world at peace, with enough for everyone to eat and the "medicine" to heal all the wounds and illnesses of humankind.

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WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Sunday, October 7

"And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations"

(Revelation 22:2)

25% is kept by your church and can be used in the ways your congregation decides make for peace.

75% is sent to Presbytery which

- Sends 67% to General Assembly
- Sends 11% to Synod for peacemaking projects
- Keeps 22% for Presbytery*

*PRESBYTERY'S PORTION OF THE PEACEMAKING OFFERING WILL ~

- be invested in the amount of \$250.00 in **Oikocredit**, a ministry making low interest loans to poor entrepreneurs around the world.

The rest will be divided equally:

- to fund the development of a "**Global Village**" at Camp Grier;
- to support **Transition Aftercare Network**, a program to help those recently released from prison to make the transition back to civilian life.

Each church was sent a Peacemaking Offering Packet.

However, if there are questions or the packet cannot be found, contact Ginnie Stevens (vestevens2@aol.com; 828-438-4217, x19).