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American Association of
Interchurch Families

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Interchurch Families: “Listen...with the ear of your heart”

Theme for the 2012 AAIF Biennial Conference: July 13 - 15, 2012

***“Interchurch Families Learning From Benedictine Spirituality with an emphasis on the family,
community and society”***

The American Association of Interchurch Families
cordially invites you to register to attend our
2012 Biennial Conference with us

at Collegeville, MN on the campuses of the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University
Friday July 13 through and including Sunday, July 15, 2010

Interchurch families (where the partners belong to different denominations - often a Roman Catholic and a Christian of another communion) are increasingly found all over the world. We have found that as we draw closer to Christ, we draw closer to each other, and to each other's churches. Today we are gathering in groups and Associations in various countries. We lend support to each other, share information, and discuss how to live the often painful and confusing situations arising out of the divisions in the churches. We also reach out to other interchurch families so they, too, may come to discover and celebrate the richness of each other's traditions, a richness of our baptismal unity which we know from experience far exceeds the divisions.

Our lived examples of unity, and through the organization AAIF itself, serve to link all those families, groups, and Associations who are part of the IFIN so that together we may grow in Christian unity, and become for our churches an ever-greater gift of healing of the scandal of disunity.

It takes seriously both our marriage commitment to one another and the fact that two churches are represented in our family; by affirming at local, national and global levels the gifts of interchurch families and their potential as a catalyst for wider church unity. We are dedicated to find new ways of responding to Christ's prayer that all may be one and, if you are involved in an interchurch marriage, may you discover a new source of encouragement and support for the vocation to which you have been called. Please join AAIF members for their 2012 AAIF Biennial Conference to be held in Collegeville, MN from July 13 through July 15, 2012.

Information for the 2012 AAIF Biennial Conference about the campuses of the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University in Collegeville, the plenary session speakers, travel ideas, information about the richness of the resources to be found on the CSB/SJU campuses can be found at these links:

<http://www.interchurchfamilies.org/aaif/ARK201203Volume23Edition3.pdf>

<http://www.interchurchfamilies.org/aaif/ARK201204Volume23Edition4.pdf>

Registration information, some further conference details and registration forms can be found at the following link: <http://www.interchurchfamilies.org/aaif/ARK201205Volume23Edition5.pdf>

Soon the registration information will also be posted at www.aifusa.org