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ABCORI Abbreviated Calendar

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IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS –

Lynne Carrington and son
 Rev. Alejandro Gaete and his wife are traveling to Chile, Alex's home country, this summer. Please keep him and Michelle, in prayer
 The 42,000 Rhode Islanders (7.5% of RI workforce), collecting unemployment and looking for gainful work

REMINDER TO ALL BOARD OF MINISTRIES MEMBERS

Our two-board retreat, with ABCORI and TABCOM, is scheduled for Friday evening, October 3rd through Saturday, October 4th at Canonicus. Please mark your calendar – more details are coming.

OPPORTUNITY TO BRAINSTORM FOR THE 2009 ANNUAL GATHERING

According to our new structure, there will not be an appointed committee, but a working group that emerges from a brainstorming meeting. If you are interested in this particular event of the ABCORI family, please join the Congregational Life team on **August 5, at 2 pm the ABCORI office**. You will be a part of an exciting experience that will impact our future.

SAVE THE DATES FOR A GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP - A unique opportunity –

ABCORI churches are being offered a two part grant-writing workshop, in partnership with our friends at TABCOM. The workshop will run for 2 Saturdays, a month apart, on October 18 and November 15, from 9am – 3pm. It is free of charge. A southeastern Massachusetts location for the workshop will be determined. More details to follow.

“KEEPING IN TOUCH”

The summer issue of the K.I.T. is in the mail. Please watch for the **purple newsletter** from American Baptist Women's Ministry of RI. Remember, every ABCORI church (Sec/Pastor), and each clergy spouse, is sent a copy. Is the KIT on display in your mission center? If you would like to receive the KIT, please email ABWM Communications officer, Ginny Rasmussen at ginner2@aol.com

COOPERATING CHURCHES 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Only 46.25% of ABCORI churches have submitted their reports for year ending 2007. Please complete your report on line or mail to ABCORI office, and we will submit it for you. Thank you.

The ABCORI Abbreviated <u>Calendar</u>			
Items highlighted in yellow indicate additions or changes to the calendar			
July 17	7:00 p.m.	Mission Honduras	Lawrence
July 18	10:00 a.m.	RUAH planning meeting	Lawrence
July 24	2- 3:00 p.m.	Communications Task Force Wrap-Up	Lawrence
July 28	1 – 4:00 p.m.	Properties Committee	Lawrence
July 29	5:30 p.m.	Recruitment Committee	1 st East Greenwich
August 4	7:00 p.m.	Baptist Home of RI	Phillips, Cranston
August 5	2:00 p.m.	Annual Gathering '09 Working Group	Lawrence
August 12	9:15 a.m.	Personnel Committee Meeting	Calvary, Providence
August 14	4:00 p.m.	Investment Committee ABCORI	Church of the Master
August 17	Noon – 4 p.m.	ABCORI Family & Camp Alumni Picnic	Canonicus