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## HMONG CAUCUS of the California/Nevada Annual Conference

*"Transformation For Life"*

January 1, 2008

Dear Hmong Pastors, Leaders and Congregations:

On behalf of your 2008 – 2009 Ministry Team that you commissioned on December 15, 2007, I greet and wish you "Happy New Year" in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

There are exalted ministries that God bestows upon us as we enter another majestic term, 2008 – 2009. Thus, remember our calling as Hmong United Methodists. Our **mission** is "To proclaim the Gospel and cultivate the Mission of Jesus Christ." Our **vision** is "To strengthen Hmong United Methodists in the California/Nevada Annual Conference."

Remember our kingdom works. The **Hmong For Life Family Camp 2008** will take place on July 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> at Camp Lodestar. The theme is "Transformation For Life." The **Leadership Training 2008** will be held on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. The focus will be the ministry of Hmong United Methodist Women. If your church can host this event, please let me know.

And, remember each other in thoughts and prayers. **The Cultivation** newsletter (which is published four times a year -- Winter, Spring, Summer, & Fall) welcomes your insights, articles, and any relating issues to Hmong ministries that you wish to communicate to other Hmong United Methodist fellowships within the boundary of our Conference. There are so much more excitements, friends, but these are just a few that your Ministry Team had planned for you in 2008.

Thank you, finally, for your confirmation and confidence in all of us as your Hmong Caucus Board of Directors. Nevertheless, please continue to support your Hmong Caucus through your prayers, presence, gifts, and service! Together, we are stronger!! We are all in ministry together, Hmong United Methodists!!! Together, united, only can we make disciples of Jesus Christ and bring "Transformation For Life"!

Happy New Year,

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### 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL LEADERSHIP TRAINING: HMONG UNITED METHODIST MEN



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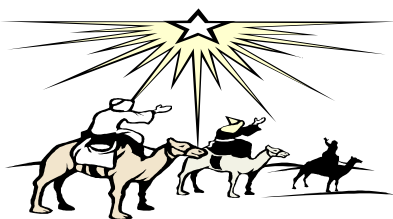
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On December 1, 2007, at Trinity United Methodist Church, 22 men from all five Hmong United Methodist ministries (Clovis, Marysville, Merced, Oroville, and Sacramento) gathered to learn how to live a faithful Christian life as men of God and support one another in men ministries. Our workshop leaders were Rev. Shine Vang and Pastor Nou Vang Thao. Everyone came away transformed and renewed.



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**COMMISSIONING CEREMONY**



At Trinity Hmong United Methodist Fellowship, on December 15, 2007, the Hmong Caucus commissioned its 2008 – 2009 Executive Board: Rev. Kham Dy Yang (*President*); Rev. Shine Vang (*Vice-President*); Rev. Chuckua Yang (*Secretary*); Melody Vang Yang (*Treasurer*); Mai Her Vang (*Finance Secretary*); and Rev. Nou Vang Yang (*Mission Director*). As the congregation stood with hands in the air, Pastor Wang Pao Thao prayed for the Ministry Team. May God bless them as they lead us for the next two years. May the Lord Jesus Christ give them wisdom. And, may the Holy Spirit guide them.



Mountain Retreat  
Arnold, California  
January 24 - 26, 2008

CALENDAR 2008

January

24-26 Pastors Retreat 2008  
(Mountain Retreat, Arnold, CA)

July

03-06 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Hmong For Life Family Camp  
(Camp Lodestar, Wilseyville, CA)

December

06 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Leadership Training: Hmong United  
Methodist Women

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