



# *"Together in Ministry"*



**March 6, 2018**  
*"Inspiring Ministerial Excellence  
for the Glory of Jesus Christ..."*

## **COLLEAGUES JOIN IN LENTEN PRAYER**



**Join us for 30 minutes of Lenten Prayer  
every Friday, 7am Pacific/8am Mountain/9am Central/10am  
Eastern**

**February 16-March 23**

**The call-info is: 1-866-906-0123  
Access code 2427409**

## **HEALTH CARE CONVERSATION CONTINUES**

**The growing group of colleagues interested in strategies of support  
for affordable, quality health care for clergy will have a regrouping  
1-hour call on Wednesday, March 7th at 1pm Central time. See our**

starting point notes [here](#). These are drawn from 2017 Facebook conversations. Co-hosts: Rev. David Van Brakle and Rev. Jacki Belile.

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***Breathing Room:  
How to Manage the Demands of Ministry and  
Life without Wearing Out***

*Thanks to Rev. Margaret Marcuson for leading this contemplative and goal-setting last week. Check out the recording [here](#). Visit Margaret's [website](#) for more tools for "leaders that last".*



## BOARD MEETING/PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

Thanks for your prayers for our recent Board meeting in late February in Philadelphia. A more detailed report will be shared in next issue. Highlights included:

- Visioning work on next steps in networking and collaboration with other ABC entities
- First steps toward a revision in structure to reflect our ministry model going forward with reduced national office expenses and an increasingly "working board" model
- Decision to co-sponsor the [Young Adult Clergy Gathering](#) in Evanston, Illinois in June, as well as a major ABC family gathering in 2020 to celebrate 40th anniversary of [women in ministry](#).
- Firm resolve to use current and potential resources to reaffirm our "Together in Ministry" commitments, including support of clergy colleague groups

*Read [more](#) from our President, Rev. Dr. Darla "Dee Dee" Turlington on our present transition, including our shifts from some ABC contractual services in conjunction with the physical move.*

We are also glad to report on productive first weeks with Ms. Lisa K. Simpson, our new Member Services Coordinator. Drop her an

**encouraging note as she engages a demanding role for our next chapter.**

## **DUES**

**To continue thriving in our called ministry to serve the well-being of our ABC ministers, we need your faithfulness in national and local dues! Join or renew today [here](#), or mail check to address above.**

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