



An Invitation to Celebrate

20 Years of Earth Ministry: 1989-2009

Please join us to celebrate twenty years of accomplishments and to honor our early visionaries and board members who have guided Unitarian Universalism towards reverence, gratitude, and care of the living Earth.

UUMFE Annual Meeting at General Assembly 2009, Salt Lake City, Saturday June 27, 10-11am, Marriott Grand Salon E

- 1989** General Assembly, in New Haven, Connecticut, first meeting of Seventh Principle organizers.
- 1991** First edition of the Green Sanctuary Handbook blending religious celebrations, RE, church administration, and community action into one program. Bob Murphy, Rachael Stark, and Brian and Roxanne Reddington-Wilde are the prophets responsible.
- 1993** Bob Murphy and Marjorie Bowens-Wheatley introduce General Assembly resolution on Environmental Justice. Folk singer Jim Scott becomes the group's musical ambassador.
- 1999** Fred Small issues inspirational call to action at General Assembly, Salt Lake City, energizing a new audience of UUs with the idea of a national environmental program.
- 2000** Second, more comprehensive edition of the Green Sanctuary Manual edited by David Cockrell.
- 2001** Katherine Jesch is hired as part time office manager and manager of newly launched Green Sanctuary Program. Adoption of Statement of Conscience on Responsible Consumption as a Moral Imperative (introduced in 1999 by Gisela Bahr).
- 2002** Seventh Principle Project incorporates. Katherine Jesch becomes Director of Environmental Ministry. First five congregations accredited as Green Sanctuaries.
- 2003** At the initiative of the Seventh Principle Project environmental conferencing policy is adopted for 2003 & future General Assemblies.
- 2005** Seventh Principle Project becomes Unitarian Universalist Ministry for Earth. UU churches respond to Hurricane Katrina.
- 2006** UUMFE leads in the passage of landmark Statement of Conscience on the Threat of Global Warming/Climate Change marking the coming of age of environmental activism in our faith.
- 2008** Green Sanctuary Program management transferred to UUA. UU Study and Action on Ethical Eating introduced by Rev. Robert Murphy's Falmouth, MA Fellowship. UUMFE recommends Van Jones as Ware Lecturer. He calls for emphasis on environmental justice.
- 2009** UUA reports 96 Certified Green Sanctuaries. Collaborations with UU Service Committee and UUA Advocacy and Witness. Comprehensive guide on Environmental Justice underway.

Pioneers

Rev. Bob Murphy
Rachael Stark
Brian Reddington-Wilde
Roxanne Reddington-Wilde
Leslie Pohl-Kosbau
Jim Tucker
Rev. Jim Eller
Rev. Fred Small
Rev. Katherine Jesch

Board of Directors 1999-2009

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Gisela Bahr
Rev. Lyn Stangland Cameron
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Rev. Katherine Jesch, Director Environmental Ministry, 2002-2009

Because of her dedication, we
have flourished.