



Friends,

Sojourners/ Call to Renewal, a faith-inspired organization dedicated to articulating the biblical call to social justice, is announcing its annual conference, [Pentecost 2007: Taking the Vision to the Streets](#), June 3-6 in Washington, D.C. Last year at the conference we launched A Covenant for a New America – a solutions-based agenda for overcoming poverty that transcends ideology. This year, at [Pentecost 2007](#), we'll take the Covenant to a new level, **challenging presidential aspirants and other national leaders – Republicans and Democrats alike – to put poverty at the top of their agenda.**

We would like your help in continuing this conversation about faith and politics. Each year we develop a special track for “emerging leaders” under the age of 30 that seeks to **train and empower young, faith-inspired leaders in the movement to overcome poverty.**

I have attached promotional material for the Emerging Leaders Track at this year's conference, and I hope you will pass this information on to all the emerging leaders you know. We would love to bring new people to the conference for an opportunity to inspire social action from spiritual renewal and provide new resources and networks for these dedicated leaders.

**This year's [Emerging Leaders Track](#) will include:**

- **Workshops** specifically designed for young leaders.
- An **Emerging Leaders Dinner Forum** featuring Shane Claiborne of The Simple Way community, along with other religious and experienced activists who will join the emerging leaders for a meal and discussion.
- **Networking Opportunities** to build and strengthen the growing network of emerging leaders across the country.

This year's Pentecost will also feature a **Presidential Candidate's Forum**, in which leading candidates for the 2008 election are invited to address the issues that you care about most.

Please visit the [Emerging Leaders section](#) of the conference Web site for more information about [registration](#), [scholarships](#), [housing](#), and other logistics. My name is Sarah Sibley, and I will be working with the Emerging Leaders Track this year. Please feel free to contact me at [ssibley@sojo.net](mailto:ssibley@sojo.net) or (202) 745-4646 with any questions.

Thank you for your help in spreading the word about Pentecost 2007. We hope to see many of you this summer!

Blessings,

Sarah