

## MISSION COMMITTEE report to ALBANY PRESBYTERY

November 4, 2020

We recommend that **Mission offerings** given in connection with the November 17 online meeting of presbytery should seed the work of our presbytery's new **Anti-Racism Task Force**. (At the time of this report, the Coordination Committee is still forming and charging the ARTF.)

Have you checked out the **Mission Resource Videos** archived on our presbytery website? Go to the "Resource" tab off the main menu. Beneath it you will find:

- ❖ Cornerstone Chaplaincy at UAlbany
- ❖ Heifer International
- ❖ Troy Area United Ministries
- ❖ Protestant Chaplaincy at Union College
- ❖ Rural & Migrant Ministry
- ❖ Schenectady Inner City Ministry

Five of these six are 2020-21 Albany Presbytery **Mission Partners** – which means that a portion of your church's Basic and Shared Witness Support automatically goes their way. Why not learn more... and then tell your congregation about the good work its gifts are enabling?!

**PCUSA World Mission** reports that 23 of its mission co-workers have accepted early-retirement buyouts. To find out who remains, and where (despite Covid), go to [www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/world-mission](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/world-mission)

Your Mission Committee welcomes the **new line item** proposed in the 2021 Presbytery budget, calling for \$12,682 under "Special Church Initiatives." We urge your attention to this matter during the Nov. 17 online meeting.

**Thank you** to all who have been making and/or contributing re-usable cloth masks to Rural and Migrant Ministry. For more information, contact elder Nancy Pienta of Valatie: [nwpienta@gmail.com](mailto:nwpienta@gmail.com)

Your **Task Force on Peacemaking** recently donated funds to the Junior League of Schenectady and Saratoga Counties (for its Capital Region Anti-Racism Training Initiative) and to the Black Theater Troupe of Upstate NY, based in Albany.

**If your congregation might appreciate** any of the following, contact us any time through our chairperson, the Rev. Ted Wright: [wrightsafrica@gmail.com](mailto:wrightsafrica@gmail.com)

Mission sermons  
Presentations  
Workshops

Consultations  
Budget interpretation  
Info re presbytery's Mission Partners.