

This Conference will help clergy and lay leaders understand immigrant churches and women's voices in various contexts. The Anna Howard Shaw Center, which has conducted research for the past three years, will share its findings about the struggles and challenges of immigrant churches and their ministries.

Our leaders will present their findings and lead our discussions, exploring new visions of American multicultural ministry from Latina, Asian, and African Immigrant experiences.



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Women in the World 2008

Presents

Immigrant Women: Singing God's Song in a New Choir



April 10 - 11, 2008

**Photonics Building,
Colloquium Room**

**8 St. Mary's Street
Boston, MA 02215**

Schedule

April 10, 2008

- 9:30 - 10:00 Singing God's Song: Opening Worship
- 10:00 - 10:15 Prelude: Blessings and Challenges of Immigrant Ministries
Rev. Dr. Choi Hee An
- 10:15 - 12:00 The First Symphony:
Rev. Yoo-Yun Cho-Chang
Rev. Laurel Scott
Rev. Dr. Aida Irizarry-Fernandez
Dr. M.T. Davila
Rev. Dr. Choi Hee An
- 12:00 - 1:00 Intermission: Lunch and Conversation
- 1:00 - 2:00 The Ballad of Hispanic/Latina Immigrant Ministries:
Dr. M.T. Davila and Rev. Dr. Irizarry-Fernandez
- 2:00 - 3:00 The Opera of Korean Immigrant Ministries: Rev. Dr. Choi Hee An and Rev. Cho-Chang
- 3:00 - 3:15 Postlude: Sending Forth

April 11, 2008

- 9:30 - 10:00 Singing God's Song: Gathering and Devotions
- 10:00 - 12:00 The Concert of African Immigrant Women: Rev. Laurel Scott and Guests
- 12:00 - 1:00 Intermission: Lunch and Conversation
- 1:00 - 2:00 An Opus of Hope: The Future of Immigrant Ministries:
Conductor - Rev. Dr. Choi
- 2:00 - 2:30 Finale: Closing Worship

Presenters

Rev. Dr. Aida Irizarry-Fernandez: An Elder in the United Methodist Church and clinical social worker, Aida Irizarry-Fernandez has a D. Min. specializing in counseling and community organizing. She is the District Superintendent for the Metropolitan Boston Hope District, New England Conference of the United Methodist Church. She often serves as preacher, lecturer, and bible study leader across the Denomination.

Rev. Laurel Scott: Laurel E. Scott is the current Anna Howard Shaw Scholar at Boston University School of Theology, where she is a candidate for the Th.D. degree in Practical Theology. An Elder in the United Methodist Church, she pastors a Massachusetts church with a large percentage of immigrants and is involved in Justice Ministries, including ministry among immigrant workers.

Dr. M.T. Davila, Boston College: M.T. Davila received her Ph.D. in May in Theological Ethics from Boston College, specializing in social ethics, the option for the poor, U.S. civil society, and liberation issues. She will be Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics at Andover Newton Theological School beginning in the Fall of 2008.

Rev. Dr. Choi Hee An, Boston University School of Theology: A faculty member and Director of the Anna Howard Shaw Center at Boston University School of Theology, Choi Hee An teaches Practical Theology and conducts research on women in immigrant churches. She is the author of *Korean Women and God* and co-editor of *Engaging the Bible: Critical Readings from Contemporary Women*. She is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Rev. Yoo-Yun Cho-Chang, Boston University: Yoo-Yun is an Elder in the United Methodist Church and a candidate for the Ph.D. degree in Counseling Psychology and Religion at Boston University. She has received United Methodist Women of Color Scholarship and is currently serving as a psychology intern at the Danielsen Institute at Boston University.

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