2020 — Registration Now Open for "Celebrating Ministering Women: Radical. Redeemed. Ready."

VALLEY FORGE, PA (ABNS 2/4/2020) Registration is now open for the "Celebrating Ministering Women: Radical. Redeemed. Ready." Conference, coming June 16-19, 2020 at the Green Lake Conference Center in Green Lake, Wis. All are invited – Women and men, clergy and lay leaders alike. Register here today.

Planning Team Co-Chair Tom Wiles expressed excitement for the event saying, "Celebrating Ministering Women: Radical. Redeemed. Ready.' – the name of the event draws us into the celebration and the challenge. Ministering women have shaped, supported, and sharpened my ministry for more than 40 years. It is a great joy to share this opportunity to remember and renew those gifts of ministering women in my life. I am excited to gather with women and men, lay and clergy, to listen, learn and worship. I hope many American Baptists will join us as we listen again to the story of God's great mission and generous calling to all of us."

From the pioneering women of long ago to the trailblazing leaders of today, the movement of women into ministry has involved the whole family of faith from all across ABCUSA. With women serving in a multitude of ways and a variety of roles nationally and internationally, American Baptist Women in Ministry (ABWIM) and ABWM are joining together to celebrate ministering women across the Unites States, Puerto Rico, and around the world. The conference will celebrate women leaders, past and present, their myriad journeys into ministry and their many ways of ministering. The 40th Anniversary of the birth of the Women in Ministry Project will also be a part of the celebration.

As previously announced, the conference will be highlighted by Keynote Speakers Rev. Dr. Zina Jacque, Rev. Yamina Apolinaris-Concepcion, Dr. Susan Gillies, and Rev. Dr. Trinette V. McCray. Rev. Dr. Marie Onwubuariri will serve as the conference Poet Laureate. Each ministerial leader brings an exciting perspective to the celebratory event. Learn more here.

Early registration for the conference is due by March 1, 2020. Prior to March 1, the registration fee for conference attendees is \$149. After the early registration date of March 1, the conference attendance registration fee will be \$199. The registration deadline is May 11, 2020.

Rev. Dr. Patricia Hernandez shares, "Don't miss what will surely be an historic event looking back to the rich legacy of ministering women and looking forward to a new future in which

all the gifts God has given to all God's people will be fully accessed, embraced and utilized. All are welcome! Come! Join us!"