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Committee on Preparation for Ministry Chairs with Commuting Distance of NYC
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FROM: Dr. Robert Washington, Synod of the Northeast Black Caucus President
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RE: African American Church Growth Strategy Implementation: pastoral recruitment,
nurture, deployment and service; strategies related to the service of African American
clergy women.

DATE: October 20, 2009

On Monday, November 2, a steering committee will gather in New York City to consider implementation strategies in the Synod of the Northeast related to the African American Church Growth Strategy adopted by the 218th General Assembly (2008). The Rev. Karen V. Brown, Vice-President of the Presbyterian National Black Caucus, President of the African American Clergy Women's Caucus, and member of the national Church Growth Strategy Implementation Team will be attending the meeting.

While Rev. Brown is in our synod, it seems a natural time to invite chairpersons of Committees on Ministry and Committees on Preparation for Ministry (or their representatives) within commuting distance, and presbytery staff who relate to these committees, to meet with her in order to explore strategies related to the service of African American Clergy Women that are part of the church growth initiative. We hope you can attend.

The meeting for COM and COPM leaders will be held at the Interchurch Center, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY, 1:00-3:00PM. If you are able to attend, please advise Nancy Lomberk at the synod office so that we may better plan for room size. Thank you.