

**Report to the Presbytery of Transylvania**  
**March 15, 2005**  
**Associate General Presbyterian's Report**

\*\*\* Most recently I returned from the Association of Presbyterian Church Educators Conference (APCE) in Vancouver, British Columbia. A "pre-conference" time was held for Resource Center Directors and those overseeing Curriculum. It is my hope that we can secure the Rev. Dr. Eileen Lindner who works with the Children's Defense Fund to be with us at a future date. Her message about the Church in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and how we need to be relating to our children in congregations was powerful! I would welcome an opportunity to share some of her thoughts with our churches, especially with those involved in Christian Education. The Rev. Dr. Leonard Sweet was the APCE Keynoter-also giving very apt reminders that we cannot stay in the "safe harbor" these days, and do the work we are called to do!

\*\*\* In the coming months there will be numerous opportunities for people in our churches to share in. Stay tuned for specifics concerning a presbytery-wide "Workshop Day," a Mission Conference, more regional chances to see what is new in the Resource Center, as well as other times for learning and sharing.

\*\*\* **COME SEE OUR VBS KITS!**

- ❑ "Davey and Goliath's **CIRCUS SPECTACULAR**
- ❑ **SAFARI ADVENTURES-"JESUS AS KING"**
- ❑ **RANCH HOUSE KIDS**
- ❑ **JERUSALEM MARKETPLACE**
- ❑ **AROUND THE WORLD IN 5 DAYS** (PCUSA) to be in "soon!"

Because of winter weather, I was unable to get to the Hazard area a couple of weeks ago with these and other Lenten resources. I am available to come to churches with any of these, and will be happy to do so-PLEASE CALL!

We do have some new Holy Week/Easter resources-it's not too late to check these out! We also have just received some wonderful new Officer Training materials for use in congregations!

\*\*\* What are you doing that is exciting in education or mission in your congregation? We want to know and will be inquiring of you in the coming months, so please share your happenings and ideas!