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TO: Ministers, Board Presidents, Administrators, Social Justice Chairs, and
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SUBJECT: International Convocation of U*U Women

FROM: Barbara Beach, Chair, Advisory Committee, *Barbara Beach*

Every new year is a time for new beginnings. I am asking you to begin the year with us in Houston when we convene **the first International Convocation of U*U Women**—Our goal is to build leaders and congregations, learning new ways to move our faithfulness to action.

In less than eight weeks, over 400 women—nearly 40 of them attending from 16 countries outside the U.S.—and many from 38 states here in the US will represent their congregations. Top U.S. and international women's religionists and theologians will inspire, lead, and guide us. See our website www.icuuw.com for program and speaker details. Throughout our movement, the events are sparking tremendous energy and enthusiasm.

On behalf of the International Convocation of Unitarian Universalist Women, I am asking you to encourage your congregants to register for this religious, educational, and leadership development opportunity. And afterwards, please invite them to tell the story to your congregation!

The facts: registration is \$350 per person. However, when four or more register from one congregation we are offering \$25 rebates to reduce individual costs to \$325. Additional savings are available by sharing ground transportation and a hotel room. Youth and young adults ages 14-35 can register for the price of \$299. Rebates are also available for U*U ministers and seminary students. Registration includes four meals.

This is the first international gathering of U*U women in our history. It offers a unique opportunity to connect with U*U women from around the world. The Convocation strives to create a worldwide learning community of U*U women, dedicated to enriching women's lives, worshiping together, sharing our stories, and supporting emerging leaders among us.

The ICUUW online community (www.portal.icuuw.com) now has a link for registration as well as a program schedule and descriptions of workshops.

The convocation will be enriched by your presence.

Thank you for your help!

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