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and
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2008 Flood Recovery Program

Deborah Thompson, Mission Coordinator for the Wisconsin Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, is responsible for fostering quality multicultural relationships, coordinating Missions, and participating as a member of the Ministry and Outreach Staff Team in the Wisconsin Annual Conference. Her roles include mission advocacy, diversity training, leadership development, and supervision. In addition, Rev. Thompson is responsible for grant administration of the 2008 Flood Recovery Program.

Rev. Thompson is also a pastoral minister and ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church. On behalf of the Wisconsin Annual Conference, at various churches in Wisconsin, she has managed and coordinated a number of community conferences, taught children and youth, implemented a mental health support group, established a parish nurse ministry program, led women and youth retreats, and created after-school tutoring and mentoring programs. In addition, she has spearheaded neighborhood watch programs, hosted a rally featuring Rev. Al Sharpton, and developed ecumenical community worship services.

Prior to 1995, Rev. Thompson was the owner of Struggler's Community Press, a community outreach developer for Henderson Avenue United Methodist Ministry, in Beloit, WI, and a Freshman Counselor at Utica College of Syracuse University, in Utica, NY.

Some of her activities during the past decade include:

- Vice Chair North Central Jurisdictional Commission on Religion & Race
- Chairperson of the Wisconsin Commission on Religion & Race
- Diversity Action Team Member, Janesville, WI
- Unlearned Racism Facilitator, YWCA, Madison, WI
- Board Member of Congregational Parish and Circuit Ministry
- Chairperson of Wisconsin Black Methodists for Church Renewal

Rev. Thompson received her Masters in Divinity from Methodist Theological School and her B.S. in Political Science from Adrian College.

