



*Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church*

# Adult Education

2009

## THIRD WEDNESDAYS INTERFAITH CONVERSATIONS

PRESENTS



### LIVING TOGETHER IN THE MIDDLE EAST: CHALLENGES, OPPORTUNITIES AND IMPLICATIONS FOR AMERICANS

- **Wednesday, October 21**
- **7:30 – 9:00 p.m., Congregational Hall**



**G**uest Speakers: **Dr. Mary Mikhail and Dr. Muhammad Sammak.** Changing dynamics have brought about changes in the relationship of Christians and Muslims in the Middle East. New challenges have arisen for both communities, along with new opportunities. Issues of co-existence, religious identity, and citizenship, and competing interpretations of both faiths, which are confronted in particular ways in the region, affect Muslims and Christians worldwide. **Dr. Mary Mikhail and Dr. Muhammad Sammak** will offer Lebanese Christian and Muslim perspectives on these concerns and their implications for Americans.

**D**r. Mary Mikhail is President of the Near East School of Theology in Beirut (BMPC mission partner for the past seven years). She is a recognized authority on the church in the Middle East and a noted writer and lecturer on Christian theology and the position of women in the church.

**D**r. Muhammad Sammak is a well-known writer and columnist, counselor to the Mufti of Lebanon, and Secretary General of the Christian-Muslim Committee for Dialogue in Lebanon. He serves as a President of the World Conference of Religions for Peace. His background is in political science and Islamic thought.



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