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6TH NATIONAL WORKSHOP PLANNED ON CHRISTIAN-JEWISH RELATIONS

WASHINGTON--"In the Image of God: The Challenge of Diversity" has been chosen as the theme for the 6th National Workshop on Christian-Jewish Relations.

The workshop will be held at the Pfister Hotel & Tower in Milwaukee, October 26-29, with Archbishop Rembert G. Weakland, O.S.B., of Milwaukee as the keynote speaker.

Plenary session topics and speakers include "Our Common Humanity and Common Hope" (Dr. Walter Brueggemann, Eden Theological Seminary, Webster Groves, Mo. and Dr. Walter Wurzburger, President of the Synagogue Council of America); "Our Cultural and Religious Diversity" (George Gallup, Jr., president, The Gallup Poll, Princeton, N.J. and Dr. Roy Sano, Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, Ca.); "Israel: Touchstone of Christian-Jewish Relations" (Father Robert F. Drinan, S.J., Professor of International Law, Georgetown University Law Center, and Rev. Dr. Carl R. Simon, Executive Presbyter, The Presbytery of Milwaukee, United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.; and "State of Christian-Jewish Relations and Future Issues."

In addition to plenary sessions, there will be seminars

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on "The Social and Historical Context of Jesus' Teaching," "The Status and Role of Women in Religion," "Religion and Extremist Politics," "New Religious Movements: Challenges to Synagogues and Churches," "Islam and Interfaith Encounter," "What Jews and Christians Teach About Each Other," and a two-part seminar on "The Catholic and Protestant Communities: Theology, Politics and Israel." That seminar will feature reports and discussions on such topics as "Jerusalem, City and Symbol," "Implications of the Holocaust for Christians and Jews," "Polish-Jewish Relations: A Community Experience," and "Zionism: Its Historic Religious Perspective."

National sponsoring and cooperating agencies of the 6th National Workshop on Christian-Jewish Relations are the Secretariat for Catholic-Jewish Relations of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops; the Office of Christian-Jewish Relations of the National Council of Churches; the Committee on Interreligious Affairs of the Synagogue Council of America; the American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A.; American Jewish Committee; Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith; the Division of Theological Studies of the Lutheran Council in the U.S.A.; the National Conference of Christians and Jews; the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Covention; and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

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