



# CONTEMPLATIVE OUTREACH

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May 11, 2007

Dear Houston Friends,

**TOGETHER AGAIN !  
THOMAS KEATING AND RICHARD ROHR  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
SEPTEMBER 2007**

Contemplative Outreach is very pleased to confirm Houston, Texas as the site of our 2007 International Annual Conference and Enrichment Days with Frs. Thomas Keating and Richard Rohr at the Omni Hotel-Westside. We are hosting a **Day of Prayer and Planning June 23, 2007** at the Omni-Westside for volunteers to gather, pray and plan to help with the Enrichment Days with Keating and Rohr. On this day we invite you to be our guest for lunch and your assistance with this special event.

Our event has two components:

**2007 Annual Conference**

The Annual Conference will begin Wednesday at 4:30pm, September 26 and conclude Friday afternoon, September 28 with its Annual Business Meeting. During our conference portion, following "A Year of Listening," we will continue the conversation regarding our newly revised Vision that we began at our 2006 conference in St. Louis. Friday morning workshops are planned and will be based on contemplative themes will be offered to all. We expect approximately 200 attendees.

**2007 Enrichment Days – Houston Volunteers Needed**

Our Enrichment Days will begin on Friday at 7:30pm, September 28 and continue through Sunday noon of September 30, 2007. We are very pleased Fr. Richard Rohr will join Fr. Thomas as our keynote speaker. In addition to sharing in their spiritual wisdom, there will be time for contemplative prayer, Taize, and closing Sunday with a beautiful ecumenical liturgy. Our intention is to open and deepen our awareness to the Divine Presence. We expect 800 – 1000 attendees.

## **OUR INVITATION TO YOU TO SERVE AS A VOLUNTEER**

*“The Christ in us, serving the Christ in others”*

You are invited to join us, June 23, 2007 at 9:00am, at the Omni Hotel-Westside to for a Day of Prayer and Planning, with Gail Fitzpatrick-Hopler, President of Contemplative Outreach, Timothy Kooch, Chair of the 2007 Conference, and Marie Howard, our Special Events Coordinator. Our Day of Prayer and Planning will be an opportunity to meet our Houston friends and share time in contemplative prayer.

If you wish to join us, or bring a friend or two, please contact Marie Howard at [mrhfamlife@aol.com](mailto:mrhfamlife@aol.com) or call her at 310-823-5863 (PDT) to register. We feel very blessed to be working with the Houston volunteers as well as to work in collaboration with Maria Pavlik, Anne Singley and Claudia Morgan on this event and to host together with you our 2007 Annual Conference and Enrichment Days in Houston.

We are looking forward to being with you June 23<sup>rd</sup>!

### **Schedule for Day of Prayer and Planning**

- 9:00 Gather and meet (coffee and pastries will be served)
- 9:30 Welcome and Introductions
- 10:00 Contemplative Prayer
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Interactive discussion and conference planning
- 11:30 Contemplative Prayer
- 12:00 Lunch with conversation
- 1:00 Departure

Blessings to you,  
Gail, Timothy and Marie