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Dear Co-Worker in the Vineyard,

Change is a constant but has been especially prominent in our Madison Diocese as Into the Deep continues to unfold. All of us involved in parish ministries know well that as we lead others into the deep of forming new parishes, reorganizing structures, determining where to direct energy and resources, we need support and encouragement ourselves. We have an organization that does just that!

The steering committee to combine Madison Diocesan Religious Education Organization (MDREO) and Madison Diocesan Pastoral Ministries Association (MDPMA) met over the summer to bring forth an inclusive new entity that supports and forms parish leaders to serve our Church in this 21st century. During this Jubilee Year of Hope is the perfect time to begin the exciting work of joining together to create space and time with one another for personal growth, fresh learning, skill development, and friendship through the newly forming Madison Diocesan Pastoral Ministries Association.

All involved in parish ministries are welcome to be a part of the Association. A brochure explaining the program days, dates and schedule is included in this mailing along with a registration form. Each individual is asked to fill out a registration form but one check may be sent for multiple registrations such as staff from one parish. We look forward to receiving your membership and journeying together as Pilgrims of Hope.

Blessings for the rest of your summer,

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