# *Holiday Blessings from WATER*





## Greetings to You!

Building is the mantra you hear at WATER as we end 2010 and begin the New Year.

We are *building* on the firm foundation of more than two decades of feminist scholarship and activism in religion. Yes, even in the midst of a serious recession, we are *building* because the needs of the world don't wait for the markets to realign.

You, our friends and benefactors, are partnering with us to *build* the WATER community, not with bricks and mortar, but through relationships, networks, and coalitions. Despite difficult times, this Alliance is stronger than ever. Stay with us!

Our interns are *building* on their WATER experiences in graduate programs, through fellowships, and as new staff members in sister organizations. They are the Alliance on the move.

Our Latin American colleagues are *building* new coalitions and new projects with our collaboration. Together, after almost thirty years of "women crossing worlds," we continue to address ecofeminist theological challenges.

Our twenty-eight authors in *New Feminist Christianity* edited by Mary E. Hunt and Diann L. Neu are *building* on the book's success with monthly teleconferences that spread their wisdom around the world. Each call involves dozens of people who take the message to their local groups.

Our staff is *building* new content on our Web site, *www.hers.com*, and through our eNewsletter, *WATERmark*. Each blog post and article adds to the rich offerings of feminist studies in religion.

Our Feminist Liberation Theologians' Network is *building* on its analysis and collaboration. The meetings get larger, more international and diverse in constituency, and are a highpoint for many at the American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting.

You are a partner in all of these *building* efforts. We invite you to make a year-end gift or monthly pledge that will keep this dynamic process going and assure that feminist religious values create the social change we envision and the communities we need.

## Blessings for the Holidays and the New Year,

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