Global Women's Project December Global e-Links

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- 1. As the holidays are upon us there is much to celebrate. There is also much to take to heart. As the days get to their darkest, we know each of us have realities in our lives that bring us sadness. Global Women's Project knows that when one celebrates, all celebrate. When one grieves, all grieve. In this season of joy and cheer, may we remember that our sisters around the world are holding onto the prophets' call: that the roads will be made straight, the high places made low. A woman birthed Justice into this world two thousand years ago. Women today join in her pain as we birth justice into the world today.

2. Visitation by Mary Southhard

Each woman listens.

Each speaks:

Ah! the life within you, within me—

a new revelation:

God's saving love

impregnates the universe

in woman...

joy...

Magnificat!

Again today

women tell their

stories to each other—

magnificat!

Listen sisters, listen brothers,

A new outpouring.

This time:

resurrection!

3. Gift Your Stories

We invite you to reread the speech that gave rise to Global Women's Project: <u>Giving Birth to a New World</u> by Ruthann Knechel Johansen. An important aspect of GWPs work is to partner monetary giving with simple living. For this season of Advent,

Christmas, and Epiphany, we invite you to dwell with the invitation to live full, simple lives.

Instead of gifts this season, consider **giving stories of women**: share stories of your grandmother, stories of your daughter, stories of women around the world. Consider sending a <u>GWP greeting card</u>, with pictures of our partnering projects, telling the story of women's work around the world.

Celebrate! Magnificat! Blessed Be! Global Women's Project Steering Committee