

American Friends of *Asian Rural Institute invite you to join a conversation on **SUSTAINABLE LIVING: Lessons From the Developing World**

Keynote:

"From Prophetic Vision to Sustainable Development:
The Mission of ARI in the 21st Century"



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Reflectors/Presenters:



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2008 ARI Participants

When: Friday, June 20th, 2008

Where: Wesley United Methodist Church
566 N 5th St.
San Jose, California 95112

Time: 9:30 AM to 9:00 PM (lunch and dinner provided)

Cost: \$10.00 to cover costs of lunch and dinner

*Asian Rural Institute

In its 35 years of operation, the Asian Rural Institute - situated in Nasushiobara, Japan - has trained more than 1,100 rural community leaders, from 50 different countries, in the skills of sustainable agriculture, community building and servant leadership. Initiated at the request of the Asia Christian Council, its unique approach to rural development has earned it recognition by mission organizations, NGOs, and international development organizations across the globe. Each year some 30 participants are selected to attend the 9-month residential training program at ARI. In learning by doing, they discover the meaning of the ARI credo: "That We May Live Together." Upon graduation they return to their home communities across Asia, Africa and the Pacific, part of a dedicated cadre of servant leaders committed to the transformation of the world, one village at a time.

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