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Dear Graduate

To honor the seminary graduates of Spring 2011, Wood Lake Publishing, publisher of *Seasons of the Spirit*, would like to offer, as a gift, access to **SeasonsFUSION** on the web, for SEP 4/2011 – AUG 26/2012. This offer is open to any graduating student who has been called to a church that does not currently use *Seasons of the Spirit* resources.

Seasons of the Spirit is based on the *Revised Common Lectionary* and is a complete congregational resource that integrates worship, Christian education, and outreach across all age-levels.

For those of you already familiar with *Seasons of the Spirit*, we have **NEWS!** In response to the changing needs of the church, we have re-created the Congregational Life resource and are pleased to introduce **SeasonsFUSION...for congregational life**. SeasonsFUSION includes everything Congregational Life used to contain, plus additional resources that help congregations more fully integrate worship and Christian education. **SeasonsFUSION** now also includes a four-week Season of Creation, beginning September 2011. In response to a growing concern about the ecological crisis, many churches around the world have adopted the Season of Creation as a way to celebrate Earth as a sacred gift from God.

SeasonsFUSION is specifically designed for congregational leaders as a week-by-week planning tool; and resource for worship, faith formation, and service.

Each week SeasonsFUSION includes 12 pages of resources:

- One **Planning page**
- One **Biblical Background page**
- One **Reflection and Focus page**
- A three-page **Worship Outline**
- One *Poetry and Prose* page, containing articles, poems, and/or contemporary stories
- One *Bible Story* page
- Two *Stations* pages
- One *Resource Sheet*, for use at one of the stations
- One *Activity Sheet*, for very young children

Each quarter SeasonsFUSION includes the following:

- **Articles** – 12 pages, including About this Season, About the Art for this Season; Communion prayers for the season; and articles that support the theme of the season(s)
- **Living the Seasons** – 12 pages that connect people to what is happening in church. Contains suggestions for how to use SeasonsFUSION within and beyond the group that gathers for worship, including individuals and families at home
- **Gatherings for All Ages** – outlines for all-ages worship events that include a meal (appropriate for people with no church background)

- **Special Worship Outlines** – including a Christmas pageant, and worship outlines for Christmas Day, Blue Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Thanksgiving
- One **Music Booklet** with Lyrics
- **Six posters**
- One **Data CD**, which includes the resources in Word format, poster images for projection, the Bible Stories in MP3 format, and song lyrics for the season

To access your free one-year subscription to **SeasonsFUSION**, all you have to do is send an email to info@seasonsonline.ca and put **Grad 2011** in the subject line. In the text area, please provide ***your name and the name and address of your church***, if you are serving at a church, as well as your date of graduation and the name of your seminary. We will then activate a free SEP 4/2011 – AUG 26/2012 **SeasonsFUSION** subscription and send you a confirmation letter via email. The Music Booklet, Posters, and Data CD will be mailed out in July or at the time you sign up if you do so after July.

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In closing, please accept our congratulations on completing your course of theological study. And if you have any questions about *Seasons of the Spirit*, **SeasonsFUSION**, or this offer, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Best regards
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