



A Gathering to Celebrate the Re-formation of The Regional Council of Churches of Atlanta

—Cristie Reed, IT & Communications Coordinator

Thursday, November 6, 2003 marked a new beginning in ecumenical partnerships for The Regional Council of Churches of Atlanta, a new ecumenical organization forming in the 20 county Atlanta region. The organization is designed to bridge denominational, ethnic, racial, and geographic boundaries to nurture and reinforce their collective mission by:

- Amplifying the Christian voice in response to key regional issues and events.
- Fulfilling our Christian call for social and economic justice through education, facilitation, advocacy, and action taken in partnership with existing infrastructures and social action groups.
- Building unity and consensus through fellowship and ecumenical activities.

2004 Regional Council of Churches of Atlanta Officers installed within the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta were Rev. Dr. Mark Lomax, Vice President, and Dr. C.P. Huang, Secretary.

In the upcoming months, the Council will be seeking congregational members and building its leadership group. Several areas of focus will be designated, and a position and action plan will be developed around each area.

This represents a great opportunity to create a vibrant, connected, and relevant organization to magnify the work and leadership of the Christian community in the Atlanta region. Congregations of the Presbytery are encouraged to participate fully in joining the new Council. For more information call (404) 389-0590 or e-mail info@rcatl.org or visit the website at



Members of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta attend the Regional Council of Churches of Atlanta kick-off held at the Atlanta Convention Center

A Super Way to Support PATH The Souper Bowl of Caring

—Sarah Humphrey
Director, Presbyterian Answer To Hunger (PATH)

On Sunday, February 1, 2004 young people from churches, schools and other organizations will participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring- a grassroots, faith based effort to alleviate hunger in the U.S. The concept is simple – children and youth, using soup pots, collect \$1.00 from each person as they leave church on Super Bowl Sunday. Funds collected are then sent to food banks, soup kitchens and other organizations in the community who are fighting hunger. Last year over 12,000 groups raised 3.5 million dollars!

Several churches in the presbytery are already participating in the Sou-

per Bowl. We hope your children and youth will participate this year and will donate their collection to PATH. Money raised through the Souper Bowl will support the ongoing work of PATH including local hunger grants, The Family Garden Project in Nicaragua, Joining Hands Against Hunger in Palestine, Georgia Avenue Coming Together and the Global Village at Calvin Center.



What a super, simple way for your children and youth to put God's love into action by helping others. For more information go to www.souperbowl.org or email/call the PATH office: answertohunger@firstpresartl.org or 404 228-7728.