

Charta Oecumenica of 2001, the fruit of “growth in ecumenical understanding and conversation.”

This was also the spirit in which Paul Wilson served as treasurer of CAREE in recent years, when retiring from his duties in New York. Living in Daphne AL with his wife Dede, he was active in tennis clubs and competitions, singing tenor at special events in nearby cities. He was diagnosed with lung cancer in early September, planned to continue his duties as treasurer while pursuing aggressive treatment. The cancer progressed too quickly and painfully. He is survived by his wife, Dede Wilson; his children, Michelle Athearn, David Wilson, and James Wilson; five grandchildren; his brother and two sisters; We give thanks for Paul’s life. We will miss his prompt attention to dealing with bills, and his creative suggestions for doing more with less, as the recession also affected CAREE’s capacities to act. - Walter Sawatsky Co-Editor

### **CAREE CONFERENCE MARCH 25 & 26 2011 - CALL FOR PAPERS**

“EASTERN EUROPE STILL MATTERS” is the theme for a conference hosted by CAREE and the Center for World Christianity at New York Theological Seminary on March 25 & 26, 2011, located at the InterChurch Center, 475 Riverside Drive, Manhattan.

In the last few years, media attention, academic focus, and denominational activities have turned away from Eastern Europe. But many important developments are taking place in the region, and good reasons abound for ongoing interest in and service there.

“EASTERN EUROPE STILL MATTERS” will consider why interest in the region has declined, why Eastern Europe remains important, and examine developments there which invite attention – from scholars, political leaders, those who work for civil society, and religious leaders.

We welcome paper proposals dealing with any of these themes. Papers should be no longer than 25 minutes as presented, to allow time for discussion. Papers will be clustered into sessions by shared theme or emphasis. Proposals for sessions composed of related papers are also welcome.

Proposals should be sent no later than March 1, 2011, to:  
Dr. Jim Payton (President, CAREE) at [caree@redeemer.ca](mailto:caree@redeemer.ca)

While there is no registration fee for the conference, participants need to register in advance so that the host organizations can make appropriate plans.

*To register (and for information about finding lodging for the conference), please contact:  
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