Call for Papers for the 2006 Religious Communication Association Pre-Conference

“Narrative & Inquiry: Starting Points in Communication and Religion”

The Religious Communication Association (RCA) will host its second pre-conference on November 15, 2006, in San Antonio, Texas in conjunction with the 92nd Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association (NCA), November 16-19, 2006.

RCA invites submissions of completed papers, extended abstracts, and panel proposals. The theme for this year’s pre-conference is “Narrative & Inquiry: Starting Points in Communication and Religion.”

Since 1973, the Religious Communication Association has been a site for conversation among Communication scholars and practitioners concerning their common interests in religious speech, media, performance, and other communication. As a nonsectarian association, RCA strives to provide a setting in which persons of various faiths, or no faith, can study the problems of Communication and Religion.

We invite work oriented toward questions of Communication and Religion from the full range of scholarly approaches in the field. We are particularly interested in work that focuses on narrative and inquiry in relation to:

- Religious perspectives on the presuppositional grounds of communication;
- The implications of religious perspectives on professional communication practices;
- Relationships between religion, popular culture, and communication;
- Religion and public life;
- The role of RCA in the discipline.

The pre-conference is an official NCA-related event and will be held in close proximity to the NCA convention site. A location will be announced in the summer.

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** May 30th

We ask that all submissions be sent via EMAIL in WORD format to:

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