

Dear Friends of The Guibord Center,

It is with a heavy heart that I write to give you an update on the health status of The Guibord Center's Founder and President, the Rev. Dr. Gwynne Guibord.

Many of you may be aware that for the past 10 years Dr. Guibord has been courageously battling cancer while building The Guibord Center into the premiere interfaith organization it has become. Gwynne learned recently that the cancer has metastasized into her liver. After prayerful consideration and thorough consultation with her medical team and family, the decision has been reached to stop all but pain management. The doctors have given her from 3 to six months.

While we have known this would be coming someday, that day has arrived far sooner than hoped. In anticipation of this development, Gwynne and the core leadership of The Guibord Center have been working for a quite some time to ensure that the center and its mission will continue long into the future. On July 11th, The Center's Board of Directors, with Gwynne's blessing, approved the following changes that become effective on August 1, 2019:

- **Dr. Gwynne M. Guibord will become President Emerita**
- **Dr. Lois M. Sprague will become President**
- **Ms. Lurelean Gaines will become Vice President**
- **Dr. Rini Ghosh will become Secretary**
- **Ms. Mary Kirchen will remain as Treasurer and CFO**

We realize that Gwynne stepping aside marks a significant change for The Guibord Center. Gwynne and the entire Guibord Center Team want to assure you that our work and mission are continuing full force with events, initiatives and programs planned well into 2020 and beyond. Our Board, Advisory Council and staff all recognize that carrying out and building on Gwynne's vision are the best ways to honor her legacy and care for her at this tender juncture in her journey.

If you'd like to reach out to Gwynne, please send voicemail and text messages to the main office number, 323.333.4664. Please send cards and letters to our new mailing address:

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Daryn Kobata, Communications Director, at communications@theguibordcenter.org or 626.394.4220 or Dr. Lo Sprague, at drlosprague@theguibordcenter.org or 323.309.4062.

From the bottom of our hearts, we thank each of you for your prayers, your love and your ongoing support of The Guibord Center.

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Dr. Lois M. Sprague
July 17, 2019