



## News Release

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### Benedictines to Host Wyoming Adventure for Teens

**Dayton, Wyo.** – Teens looking for an alternative to typical summer activities are invited to attend the Wyoming Adventure of Prayer and Service scheduled June 23-29, 2008 at the San Benito Monastery in Dayton, Wyo.

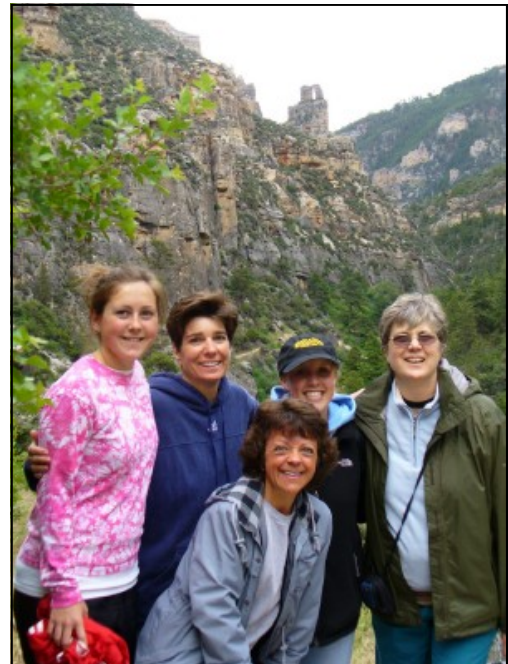
Sponsored by the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration and Earth Hope, the experience invites young girls who are Catholic high school juniors and seniors to discover the connections among the Gospel, social justice issues and earth spirituality.

This is the second year for the event, which teaches respect for the earth and how it intertwines with the Gospel. Activities include hiking through the Big Horn Mountains, visiting ancient sites and praying with Native American elders.

Taking part in the event will be Sister Helen Prejean, a frequent visitor to the San Benito Monastery and author of the New York Times best-selling novel that served as the inspiration for the Academy-Award winning movie “Dead Man Walking.”

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- Daily evening reflections with Sister Helen Prejean
- Morning and evening prayer with the sisters
- Adventures in meditation with the sisters
- Native American elders and prayer
- Pilgrimage to an ancient sacred site
- Big Horn Mountains hike and geology
- Hiking and prayer in the Tongue River Canyon
- Evening star watch with the Milky Way
- Eco-literature studies
- Service projects



**The Wyoming Adventure for Prayer and Service, co-sponsored by the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration and Earth Hope, invites its 17- to 18-year-old participants to pitch their tents under the Western sky and discover connections among the Gospel, social justice issues and earth spirituality.**

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San Benito Monastery is tucked among the woods at the foot hills of the majestic Big Horn Mountains. Set on 38 acres, the small monastery is a haven for people seeking quiet time and reflection in a place located off the beaten path. The sisters spend their days in prayer, cooking, cleaning and hosting retreats for people of all faiths. They live according to the Rule of St. Benedict, which states “idleness is the enemy of the soul” and includes an emphasis on work.

Space is limited to only 12 teens, so early registration is advised. Cost is \$300, which includes room and board, and scholarships are available to qualifying participants.

For more information or to receive a registration packet, please contact Earth Hope at [people\\_and\\_earth@vcn.com](mailto:people_and_earth@vcn.com).

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