



## What is Teleos?

Teleos is a women's study group. It takes its name from a Greek word meaning goal or purpose. For example: the teleos of an acorn is an oak tree. Our teleos also involves growth.

Teleos has been meeting since January 1983 to do some theological thinking about women's experience and how it affects our spirituality, our way of thinking of God and our role in the world. Over the years Teleos has provided the challenge, stimulation and mutual support that has assisted in the personal growth of each woman, and has helped the group participate in a variety of studies.

The leadership is provided by the women in the group, usually working in teams, and is often related to a particular theme.

The haiku "I said to the almond tree, sister speak to me of god, and the almond tree blossomed" is how some think of Teleos but to be dry and technical teleos is the Greek word for growth and potential. The other definition we use is the teleos of an oak tree is an acorn. The overtone is that the growth is of the whole person specifically our spirits.

## **Teleos Schedule 2011-2012**

<i>Date</i>	<i>What</i>	<i>Who</i>
Sept. 28, 2011	Zambia Pilgrimage	Jeannie Page
Oct. 26, 2011	What happened to feminism ?	Anne Squires
Nov 30. 2011	Christmas sharing	Everyone
Jan 25, 2012	Attitude	Heather Sanderson & Margaret Armstrong
Feb. 29, 2012	Book Discussion "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett	Joyce White
March 28, 2012	Centre 507	Marg to contact
April 25, 2012	Potluck & Planning	TBA
May 25-26, 2012	Retreat	Galilee Centre, Arnprior, ON