

## **SCE Themes for San Jose, 2010**

As the 21st Century Report directs, the Society of Christian Ethics aims to address globalization and increase the diversity of voices heard at the Annual Meeting. Therefore, the Board of Directors of the SCE has decided to identify in the annual Call for Proposals some issues, figures, and/or topics in religious ethics which express the diverse perspectives the Society wishes to welcome.

Proposals for our Annual Meetings need not be limited to these issues, nor will proposals that address these subject areas be guaranteed acceptance. The Board's intention in identifying these areas is to promote the inclusion of underrepresented voices and perspectives in the program.

We will be meeting in San Jose, California in January 2010. Because Silicon Valley is one of the symbols of our cultural future, it is appropriate to consider a number of issues related to the future of ethics, whether related to technology or other aspects of the human situation. And since California is one of the most diverse regions of North America, and includes people and cultures from around the world, it is appropriate to consider Christian ethics as a world phenomenon. The SCE Board encourages submission of proposals that engage these subjects.

For example, we invite you to consider submitting proposals that examine issues such as the following:

- Technology and the future
- Immigration
- Global environmental issues
- International effects of government policy
- Trafficking in sex and labor
- Indigenous cultures
- Future challenges in biomedical ethics
- Cross border complications of ethical issues
- The future of urban planning and public transportation
- International treaties and law
- Ethical issues in Asia, Africa, or Latin America
- International dimensions of race, ethnicity, and gender