

# CALL FOR PAPERS

'Common Bodies'. Everyday Practices, Gender and Religion

December 13 to 15, 2001

Kerk en Wereld, Driebergen, the Netherlands

From December 13 to 15, 2001 the Dutch National Research Programme 'Women's Studies in Theology' will organize her second international conference at Kerk en Wereld, Driebergen, The Netherlands. The conference is entitled: 'Common Bodies'. Everyday Practices, Gender and Religion. The gendered body in its common, everyday activities and references is the central focus of this conference. Recognizing the highly abstract and often 'disembodied' character of contemporary discussions on 'the body' in relation to gender, subjectivity and discourse, we want to start our inquiries at a more mundane level by studying 'common bodies': human bodies and bodily practices in daily situations of (domestic) work and care, of sex, love and violence, and of prayer and ritual. From this angle of 'corporeal agency' we will discuss the mea-

ning of religion, religiosity, transcendence and/or Divinity. During the conference we want to make a contribution to these debates by means of case studies on a variety of subjects. We therefore welcome a broad variety of contributions on this general theme from different disciplines in the field of theology and religious studies, from biblical, ethical, anthropological, as well as systematic or philosophical perspectives. We encourage papers that discuss biblical and theological texts and study daily (religious) practices, but we also long to see analyses of film, theatre, literature and other forms of art, as well as reflections on transcendence/the Divine/God from different theological perspectives.

Sent an outline of your proposal (max. 200 words) for individual papers (20 minutes reading length), for contributions to panels and workshops or other presentations before September 1, 2001, to: Maaïke de Haardt (m.dehaardt@theo.kun.nl) and Anne-Marie Korte AKorte@ktu.nl)