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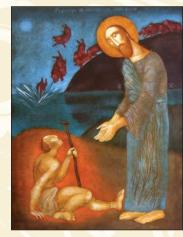
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# The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts by Olive Mahabir

With Suggestions for Leaders by Wilma Angélica Quiñonez Cubero



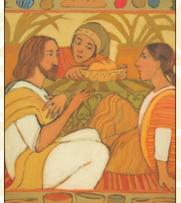
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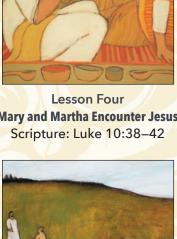
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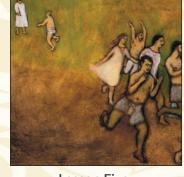


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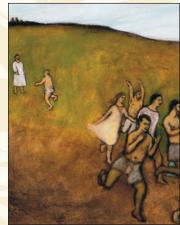
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Further, this message invites the church to deeper, compassionate engagement with the world. "What are the potential implications for the church if we treat our interactions as sacred encounters that demonstrate the transformative love of Christ Jesus?" (from the introduction)

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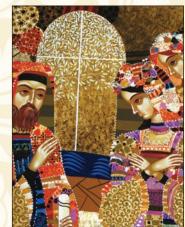
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