

THE COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN UNITY AND INTERRELIGIOUS CONCERNS

The Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns is charged with the mandate to “interpret, advocate and work for the unity of the Christian Church in every aspect of the life of the conference and its churches, and to encourage dialogue and cooperation with persons of other living faiths.” This Commission also works “to stimulate understanding and conversations with all Christian bodies, to encourage continuing dialogue with Jewish and other living-faith communities, and to encourage an openness of mind toward an understanding of other major world religions.”

We must diligently work to create opportunities where local and community faith groups can dialogue and strive for unity and understanding. We hope that we can meet this opportunity by teaching our local congregations, providing workshops with open dialogue, and attending interfaith events. By living in a global community, we have not done all that we can to expand our horizons to reach for unity. The challenge may be daunting, but it can be accomplished.

We hope and pray to be a visible and active presence on a local church, district, and conference level. We are grateful to the United Methodist Church for opening the door for dialogue between faith communities. We will be faithful in the task and ask that we continue to receive your love, prayers, and support.

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