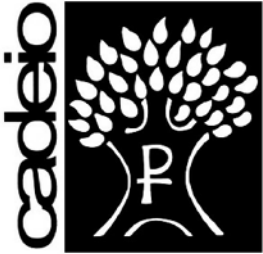


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40-Plus Years of Ecumenical Sharing: The National Workshop on Christian Unity, Oklahoma City, April 16-19, 2012

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This year's theme for the National Workshop on Christian Unity (NWCU) was "The Hope of Our Calling," inspired by Eph. 1:18 (which also inspired the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity). When I introduced myself to Father Donald Rooney, president of CADEIO, and told him my first attendance at a workshop was in Boston in 1981, we talked about the workshop and about his hopes for CADEIO, and our conversation led to an invitation to write this article.

Like many of the National Workshops, the site was chosen by an invitation from the networks of ecumenical officers and dioceses and judicatories, and from the state and local ecumenical agencies. The final decision was made by the National Ecumenical Officers Association on the

recommendation of the National Planning Committee of the NWCU. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, provided the many advantages of a center-city site with nearby churches for liturgical functions such as the opening worship service and the CADEIO Mass.

Archbishop of Oklahoma City Paul S. Coakley was homilist at the opening service at the First United Methodist Church and the CADEIO Eucharist at St. Joseph's Old Cathedral. Both of these churches were hard hit by the bombing of the Alfred P. Murray Federal Building on April 19, 1995. The First Methodist Church was totally destroyed by the blast; St. Joseph's Old Cathedral was hard hit but not destroyed. However the rectory was severely damaged, and its site is part of the National Memorial which has replaced the Federal Building. One of the high

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Annual CADEIO Eucharist, April 17, 2012, at St. Joseph's Old Cathedral. Leading the priests who concelebrated is Father Stephen Bird, pastor of Epiphany Catholic Church, Oklahoma City, and cochair of worship for the workshop's local planning committee.



Dear Members of CADEIO,

Late spring and early summer proved to be a busy time for all of us!

Following the National Workshop on Christian Unity in Oklahoma City, we scheduled regional meetings in several locations around the country in the hopes of reaching out to some for whom the 5-day hotel conference wasn't a budgetary possibility. Meetings were held in Minneapolis, Dallas, and Los Angeles, providing good discussion and a sharpening of our vision. We discussed the nature of existing diocesan ecumenical and interreligious commissions and how they might be more effectively established and supported. We also spoke of how CADEIO could play a vital role in the way in which we are shaping a generation of ecumenists

who will inherit the dialogues and relationships that are nurtured today. Ultimately, we considered the ministry of ecumenical affairs and interreligious understanding as a ministry of friendship. We're the ones who are to keep these friendships strong to provide the context for the work of unity.

Last week we held our 2012 Summer Institute for Ecumenical Leadership in Collegeville, Minnesota, at St. John's University. Father John Crossin, OSFS, and Msgr. John Radano led our group of 10 CADEIO leaders through the foundational documents of Church teachings and significant accomplishments from dialogue. I hope to put together a more detailed report for all of you in the next newsletter; conversations were full of ideas and concerns, which I will try to convey.

We thank Father Erich Rutten for his service as treasurer on our executive committee, as he steps away from the money business. Erich will remain active in helping us in our attempts to build up regional gatherings and grow involvement and membership. Father Leo Walsh is stepping back into the role of treasurer to complete the last year of this term, and we are grateful for his willingness. At the 2013 National Workshop we will have elections at our General Assembly for the next 3-year term. Please consider how you might be involved in CADEIO leadership.

Finally, it is time to update the CADEIO database now that parish assignments and many contacts have changed. You will be hearing from Chris or Kelly in my office, and maybe a couple of volunteers who will be calling all our ecumenical and interreligious officers and cleaning up our mailing lists and phone numbers.

Thanks. I pray that you have a wonderful rest of the summer! May God bless you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Don Rooney'. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Father Don Rooney



Most Reverend Paul S. Coakley, Archbishop of Oklahoma City, delivers the homily at the Annual CADEIO Eucharist, April 17.



Veteran ecumenists at the 2012 National Workshop on Christian Unity: Father Joe Witmer, Catholic Diocese of Youngstown (left), and John George Huber, D. Min., Lutheran-Missouri Synod (retired).



Rev. Dr. William Tabbernee, Chair of the Local Planning Committee welcomes attendees at the opening worship, April 16, at First United Methodist Church.



CADEIO members sit in the front row at the opening worship.

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points of this year's National Workshop was the shared prayer service for peace and the visit to the National Memorial Museum across for the Memorial site on Wednesday evening. This evening is usually a "night on the town," but it was appropriately given to remember the more than 160 who were killed in the bombing and the 700 who were injured.

The National Planning Board gave full attention to the 50th anniversary of the start of the Second Vatican Council with a presentation by Dr. John Borelli, who is



Jesus Wept statue outside Old St Joseph's Cathedral to commemorate the bombing of the Alfred P. Murray Federal Building on April 19, 1995

special assistant for interreligious initiatives to the president of Georgetown University, Washington, DC. Following his lecture, Dr. Borelli participated in a panel discussion that addressed "Implementing the Surprises of Vatican II: Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations." The other panelists were Bishop Frank Griswold, former presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church in the USA, and Dr. Karen Westerfield Tucker, United Methodist minister and professor of worship at Boston University School of Theology. The moderator of the panel was Bishop Emeritus Donald McCoid, who is the executive for ecumenical and interreligious affairs for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and cochair of the Lutheran-Orthodox International Dialogue.

The focus on Vatican II's 50th anniversary was well chosen and deeply appreciated. The presentations centered on the history of the council and *Unitatis Redintegratio* (the Decree on Ecumenism), and the impact of the event on all Christians as well as on the Catholic Church.

Workshops Sponsored by the NWCU

There were nine Workshops sponsored by the NWCU. They covered a wide range of topics. I attended the workshop on "*The Hope of Eternal Life: Common Statement—U.S. Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue*," presented by Dr. Michael Root, professor of systematic theology at the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. Dr. Root is a Catholic convert from the Lutheran Church and served

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Enjoying fellowship before a plenary session: (from left) Mrs. Valdere Nesser and Deacon Dennis Nesser (Charleston, West Virginia) and Sister Helen Rolfson (St. Cloud, Minnesota).



Plenary speaker Dr. John Borelli (right) converses with an ecumenical colleague.

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for many years on the International Lutheran-Roman Catholic Dialogue. Among the issues he discussed were continuity in the communion of saints, prayer for and about the dead, the meaning of death, purgation, and the promise of the resurrection.

I also attended the workshop on “Young Adulthood Interrupted: Is There a Place in Today’s Churches for Young Adults?” presented by the Rev. Dr. Eileen Lindner (PC-USA). She is the editor of the *Yearbook of American and Canadian Churches*, and she based her observations on the Pew Study of Religion as it applies to young adults, particularly those identified as “Generation Y” or “Millennials” (born between 1980 and 1995). This was the second of two workshops that she presented that focused on the patterns of affiliation and disaffiliation that characterize this age group.

The third national workshop I attended was on the subject of “Native American Spirituality,” presented by Bishop Steven Charleston (Episcopal). He focused on the forced migration of Native Americans to Oklahoma and other parts of the Southwest under President Andrew Jackson. Bishop Charleston showed the sharp contrast between the religion and world view of traditional western Christianity and the spirituality and culture of the Native Americans, for whom Oklahoma is a homeland. Bishop Charleston is interim dean of St. Paul’s Cathedral, Oklahoma City, and a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.

CADEIO Program

In addition to the items I have already indicated, CADEIO sponsored two workshops. The first by Archbishop Kevin McDonald was titled, “Reflections on the 1993 *Ecumenical Directory* in the Light of the Ecclesiological Teaching of the Second Vatican Council.” Archbishop

McDonald is Archbishop Emeritus of Southwark, England. He worked as an official at the Pontifical Council for Christian Unity in Rome from 1985 until 1993.

Father Tom Baima presented “Cleaning the House before the Guests Arrive: Intrareligious Dialogue as Preparation for Interreligious Engagement.” Father Baima is vice rector for academic affairs and a professor in the Department of Systematic Theology at the University of St. Mary–Mundelein Seminary in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

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Members of the Anadarko Public Schools Indian Education Dance Troop perform the “Our Father.”



Father Thomas Baima, University of St. Mary–Mundelein Seminary, spoke on the need for intrareligious dialogue before interreligious dialogue.



This year's CADEIO luncheon was replaced by a plenary luncheon for all workshop participants.

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In conversations with other long-time participants of the NWCU, we agreed that this one stood out. It was evident that the collaboration of the National Planning Board members focused on the overall quality of the workshop, and each offering was well worth the time and effort to be there. The NWCU has come a long way. It is better organized, more substantive, and shows a willingness to share speakers on a common agenda based on the topics to be treated.

The schedule was on time, and there was no lost time. Places of worship were within easy walking distance, and transportation was provided abundantly. For the first time in my memory, there was even free transportation to and from the airport.

The future of the ecumenical movement looks bright, evidenced by the many new ecumenical officers appointed by their bishops and who come with pastoral experience as well as theological preparation.

Speaking of CADEIO

As I mentioned, I was invited to write this article because of my long participation in the work of NADEO and then CADEIO as ecumenical officer for the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, New Mexico, and my participation in the National Workshops. Even earlier in my conversation with Father Rooney, I mentioned that I was very pleased about his efforts to strengthen CADEIO's membership and effectiveness as well as its relationship to the USCCB's Commission on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs. I am hopeful that the series of regional meetings will provide the kind of contact that will galvanize the common effort that is being made for Christian unity and interreligious dialogue across the country.

My firm belief is that ecumenism is real if it is local. It is the strength of the many dioceses working together that will make CADEIO strong and effective. We learn from one another. Our experience of pastoral situations and successful efforts to work with members of other Christian communions and religious faiths will realize the prayer of Jesus and the purpose of his mission of salvation.



Most Reverend Denis J. Madden, auxiliary bishop of Baltimore and chairman of the Bishops Committee on Ecumenical and Religious Affairs, led Wednesday morning prayer.

Ecumenical Trialogue for the Ascension

By Rev. David Tokarz, Diocese of Mobile

If Catholics did not liturgically celebrate the Ascension in Mobile on Thursday, May 17, the Holy Spirit, nevertheless, “rose to the occasion” and blessed us with a joy-filled and faith-filled ecumenical event in west Mobile. Taking part were the pastors and congregations of the host parish, St. Paul’s Lutheran Church (ELCA), First Baptist Church, and Our Savior Catholic Church. An ecumenical service of worship and praise was led by Pastor Joy Blaylock, with meditations offered by Pastors Chris George (Baptist) and David Tokarz (Catholic). The service was followed by a tremendous covered-dish supper and table talk–fellowship. Discussion questions had been prepared in advance, but they were scarcely used; the need of

anything resembling ice breakers was left long ago at the door. Old friendships were rekindled; new ones were made; walls were broken down (Ephesians 2:14–16). More than 100 folks made it to this midweek event, thanks be to God.

God is good—and far better than we could ever hope or imagine (Ephesians 3:20), if only we’d allow ourselves to stand out of the way and let the Holy Spirit “have at it.” We have real divisions; we also have real agreements and bonds of unity. Why not celebrate and engage the latter instead of focusing always on the former? We did, at St Paul. The result was, in every possible sense, “uplifting” on this great feast!



Clergy who participated in the Trialogue (from left): Dr. Aias DeSouza, Director of International Ministries of Hope; Rev. Chris George, Pastor of First Baptist Church; Rev. Joy Blaylock, Pastor of St Paul’s Lutheran Church; Rev. David Tokarz, Pastor of Our Savior Catholic Church; Deacon Mary Gieseler of St Paul’s Lutheran Church; (not pictured) Deacon Charles Kenny of Our Savior Catholic Church.

Statistics of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints (Mormons)

by Rev. James J. Kane, Diocese of Albany

In light of the nomination of Mitt Romney as the Republican standard-bearer in 2012 and that 62 percent of Americans know “little or nothing about Mormonism,” I offer these insights and overview:

Organized (with six charter members): April 6, 1830, at Fayette, New York, by Joseph Smith, Jr. (1804–1844); hence, an American-born religion; first new world religion since Islam. Mormons believe that their church is the re-establishment of the ancient church and restored gospel of Jesus Christ.

Scriptures: The Bible and the *Book of Mormon* (1830), which they view as another testament of Jesus Christ (believed to have been written on gold plates); 275,000 words; a record of the Lord’s dealings with his people on the American continent from 600 BC to 421 AD.

History: Moved from Palmyra, New York (where they believe that the Angel Moroni led Smith to Hill Cumorah, where the golden plates were found, left by the ancient prophet “Mormon”), to Kirtland, Ohio; Independence, Missouri; and Nauvoo, Illinois, where Smith was assassinated June 27, 1844, after announcing his run for president of the United States; Smith’s successor, Brigham Young, took the group to Utah, where they arrived in 1847. The “Mormon War” occurred in 1857.

Sunday service: “Sacrament meeting” and additional meetings; lasts 1 to 3 hours; includes communion (prepared bread and water), which all are invited to attend; baptism is the other “sacrament,” by immersion.

Demographics: Approx. 14 million members (6,288,104 in the United States, 2 percent of the population); fastest-growing church in America, yet there are now more Mormons outside the United States (55 percent) than within; the largest U.S. population is in Utah (70 percent), southern Idaho, eastern Nevada, California, and Arizona; one-fourth are converts.

Structure: Divided into approx. 12,000 “stakes”: ecclesiastical subdivisions, named after the stakes that held up the tents of Zion; “wards” are local units of the church; approx. 13,474 churches.

Leadership: “High Priesthood of Melchizedek”: First Presidency (in the line of Smith and Young): the three high priests are the president and two counselors. The president (Thomas Monson) is believed to

be a prophet (“mouthpiece of God”). Quorum (council) of the Twelve Apostles (a gerontocracy); Quorum of the 70; must be at least an elder: if found worthy, a Mormon boy can be ordained at age 18. “Aaronic priesthood”: deacon: boys can be ordained at 12; priest: boys can be ordained at 16; presiding bishop: presides over each ward; Romney was bishop (1981) and then a stake president of Belmont, Massachusetts.

Headquarters: Temple Square—Joseph Smith Memorial Building and Mormon Tabernacle (1867)—Salt Lake City, Utah; 166 temples (sealed from non-Mormons); thousands of local chapels.

Largest institutions: Brigham Young Universities, Provo, Utah (largest church-related university), and Rexburg, Idaho.

Proxy “baptism of the dead,” reflecting universalist salvation belief; submitting names of a nonrelative is against church policy; the Family History Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (LDS) houses a collection of genealogical archives that has the name of more than 3 billion deceased, the largest collection of its kind in the world; open at no cost to the public; great for tracing family lineage!

Mormon Tabernacle Choir: 360-member choir and 11,623-pipe organ.

Family oriented: One night each week (usually Monday) is set aside for family togetherness. Parents are encouraged to invest time to establish and maintain their families according to “principles of faith, prayer, repentance, forgiveness, respect, love, compassion, work, and wholesome recreational activities.” High-school-age youth attend seminary (religious education) every day of the school year, often at 6:00 a.m. before school.

Tithing: 10 percent is expected; wealthiest church per capita in the United States.

Dietary laws: No smoking, chewing tobacco, alcohol, coffee, tea (except herbal), and for some, cola drinks; wholesome herbs, fruits, and grains are recommended; “Fast Sunday,” first Sunday of each month: members abstain from food and drink for 24 hours and make a “fast offering” for the poor.

In regard to the Abrahamic religions, the roots of Mormonism are clearly in the Christian tradition, and

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Faiths in the World Committee 2012 Report

by Father Phil Latronico, Faiths in the World Cochair, Archdiocese of Newark

The Faiths in the World Committee (FITW) of CADEIO consists of both interreligious officers and personnel from the various dioceses and agencies of the U.S. conference of Catholics, and Catholic scholars who either work or teach in various institutions of learning. The committee meets twice a year, once at the National Workshop on Christian Unity and for an autumn meeting every October in Chicago. The purpose of these meetings is to look at the status of relationships with the various interreligious communities in the United States.

Much of the past year was spent preparing for the events that would mark the 10th anniversary of September 11th and the growing effects of xenophobia. It was apparent as each member of the committee reported on the areas of the country they represented and their religions and faiths of expertise that questions of trust and mistrust, understanding and misunderstanding, and tolerance and intolerance were once again in the forefront.

During our October meeting, Father Don Rooney, president of CADEIO, joined our meeting and encouraged us to continue the work we do and to strategize on developing ways to support the ecumenical, interreligious, interfaith officer at the local level in dealing with the issues of the day.

Dr. Anthony Cirelli, a new associate director of the Secretariat of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs (SEIA) of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) joined our group as an advisor. He noted that the SEIA would be continuing the regional meetings of the Muslim-Catholic Dialogue but was in a process of reassessing the focus of these dialogues. He also was looking at how we interact and how we can best offer support.

The other main topic of discussion was generated by the fact that the 50th anniversary of Vatican II is upon us, and a time of reflection and evaluation of its effects and intentions is occurring on many levels. Dr. John Borelli shared that the project he has been working on with Father Tom Stranski on *Nostra Aetate* is coming along. The project has been a rich experience of historically reviewing both the council and the flavor of the spirit moving in new and creative ways that have carried us to these present days.

As a committee, we still look at how to be present to the greater body of CADEIO.

Faiths in the World Committee, 2012

Father Phil Latronico, Newark, cochair
 Professor Don Mitchell, Purdue (Buddhism)
 Rev. Robert B. Flannery
 Dr. Scott Alexander, Catholic Theological Union (CTU), Chicago (Islam)
 Ms. Judith A. Longdin, Milwaukee
 Rev. Thomas A. Baima, Mundelein–St. Mary Seminary, Chicago
 Rev. Joseph Loya, Ruthenian: Passaic
 Dr. John Borelli, Georgetown University (Hindu, etc.)
 Rev. Francis X. (Butch) Mazur, Buffalo
 Rev. John Pawlikowski, CTU, Chicago (Judaism)
 Rev. Thomas Ryan, CSP, Paulist
 Mr. Michael Terrien, Evanston
 Dr. Rita George Tvrtković, Benedictine University, Lisle, Illinois (Islam)
 Mr. Jason Renkin, student

Consultants

Father Don Rooney, President of CADEIO
 Dr. Anthony Cirelli, SEIA, USCCB

Workshop Ideas

The following are suggested topics from FITW for future workshops, seminars, or luncheon speakers:

1. When Muslim and Catholic marry: an overview of the Mid-Atlantic dialogue on Muslim and Catholic marriage (Father Phil Latronico, Mohammed el-Falilali)
2. The history of Catholic interreligious relations: between pride and shame or self-loathing, includes Catholic identity issues and questions of dialogue (Sr. Mary Boys)
3. Proselytism: interreligious perspectives (Rita George Tvrtković; Taranjit Buttalia, Sikh; and Michael Cook, Jewish)
4. How far have we come? Jewish Christian relations from a Jewish perspective (D. Sandmel)
5. Understanding intra-Muslim diversity (Irfan Omar, Marquette)

CADEIO Welcomes Student Homily Contest Winner to His Home Diocese

The 2012 CADEIO Student Homily Contest award went to a seminarian from the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. Aaron Foshee. A first-year theology student at St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in Indiana, Aaron was compelled to join the essay contest when he learned that the National Workshop on Christian Unity was being held in his own home town.

The contest is open to full-time, graduate-level theology students who are preparing for ministry. The theme for the 2012 contest was “We will All Be Changed by the Victory of Our Lord Jesus Christ.” The theme is based on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity held each January. The winner is awarded a trip to the workshop.



Aaron Foshee, winner of the 2012 CADEIO Student Homily Contest (right) with CADEIO Vice President Rt. Rev. Alexei Smith.

Lutheran-Catholic Liaison Report, 2010–2011

Ms. Judi Longdin, Archdiocese of Milwaukee

The Lutheran Ecumenical Representatives Network (LERN) Board continues to meet via conference call on a monthly basis. In addition to reports from and actions taken by board members, these meetings typically include reports from staff of the Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Relations office, Rev. Don McCoid, and Dr. Kathryn Lohre. Kathryn, who formerly directed the Pluralism Project at Harvard University and is now serving as president of the National Council of Churches, assumed the position of director of ecumenical and interreligious relations for the ELCA in October 2011. Reports from this office typically concern national and international ecumenical and inter-religious efforts with a focus on full communion relationships, bilateral relationships, other cooperative endeavors, and conciliar relationships. Minutes from these meetings and other ad hoc meetings are shared with ecumenical representatives from the other networks.

Communication. The LERN Executive Board is committed to expanding the exchange of information and communications. The following initiatives are already underway: meeting minutes of all board conference calls are conveyed to all LERN members, and a Facebook page has been

created. The idea of video conferencing is on hold because of a lack of technology and cost factors.

LERN Ecology Task Force. Established to explore ways in which the LERN network can be more effective and relevant to its members and the work ecumenical representatives perform in their synods and ministries, the task force has focused on three areas: communications, finance, and leadership. Recommendations, which include developing a LERN communications team, creating a treasurer position, and identifying the most effective and efficient structure for the LERN board, will be discussed at a LERN plenary at the National Workshop on Christian Unity (NWCU).

NWCU plenary sessions will focus on the work of the Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Relations office (top-10 list), brushing off ecumenical documents (focus on three key elements of *Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry*), and local ecumenical practices. A joint session with Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (EDEIO) and United Methodist Ecumenical and Interreligious Training

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Awards Committee Report

by Rev. Charles Parr, Awards Committee Chair, Diocese of Paterson

The current focus of the CADEIO Awards Committee continues to be the annual presentation of the James E. Fitzgerald Award, within the context of the CADEIO Annual Meeting.

The current, fulltime dues-paid members of the association were contacted, with the assistance of the CADEIO president, by email in February 2012 to solicit nominations for this prestigious honor. The persons successfully nominated this year were Cardinal Walter Kasper, the Reverend James Massa, and the Reverend Thomas Ryan.

These three nominations, with appropriate documentation, were forwarded by email to the members of the

executive board of directors, the executive officers of the association, and the chairs of the association's standing committees.

This March 2012, e-mail voting, in a "weighed vote," resulted in the selection of Father James Massa as the 2012 recipient of CADEIO's James E. Fitzgerald Award "for outstanding contribution and service in the work of Christian unity and interreligious understanding and cooperation."

If it serves the pleasure of the membership, the chair presents the above report.



2012 Fitzgerald Award Winner Father James Massa (center) with the CADEIO Executive Board (from left): Father Erich Rutten, Rt. Rev. Alexei Smith, Father Don Rooney, and Msgr. George Appleyard, VG.

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(UMEIT) will focus on ministry together using the Lund principle as a foundation.

Student Homily Contest. Representatives from LERN, CADEIO, UMEIT, and EDEIO again chose to invite homily submissions rather than essays. The theme for 2012 was "We will All Be Changed by the Victory of Our Lord Jesus Christ." LERN and CADEIO each received three submissions this year. We continue to consider how to increase involvement from seminarians and others training for ministry and how to showcase their work at NWCU. Each network sends out the information through its own channels and determines what award will be presented.

Fall Flurry. Board member outreach to LERN representatives, synod bishops, and other ecumenists from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to share information (e.g., student essay contest, NWCU), find out what is happening, learn where there may be vacancies in a LERN position, and discover what ecumenical ministries or exchanges might be brought into discussions at NWCU. Ecumenical representatives are also asked to submit year-end reports, which may surface items for further discussion.

Treasurer's Report, April 2012

by Father Erich Rutten, Treasurer, Archdiocese of St. Paul–Minneapolis

Current Snapshot

This year's total for membership dues, as of April 1 (2012: \$15,000), is almost identical to last year's (2011). Another \$1,000 or more can be expected. We continue to lag behind previous high dues numbers such as \$21,400 in 2009. But our level of activity (read, "spending") also continues to be modest, so we are holding fairly steady financially.

Our cash on hand includes \$16,860 in checking, \$4,098 in a general-purpose savings account, and \$100,242 in a high-yield premium savings account. The assets of CADEIO total \$122,199.41.

Per the plan approved last spring, we cashed out a certificate of deposit with Dime Bank last summer. Because interest rates have been so low, we have been waiting and researching options. To get the best return while keeping our money liquid, the funds were reinvested along with the bulk of our holdings in a premium-rate savings account. The current plan is to move approximately \$75,000 of these funds into a 5-year annuity. We will keep the other \$25,000 in the premium rate savings in case we need some liquid funds.

Mormons *(Continued from page 8)*

97 percent of Mormons see themselves as Christians. However, one-third of the U.S. public does not. The Vatican does not recognize the validity of Mormon baptism. Most Protestants do not consider them to be Christians, although they have "Jesus Christ" in their name, accept his atonement, resurrection, and second coming (albeit to Jackson, Missouri, and Jerusalem). (Example beliefs: the godhead is composed of three separate personages: God the Father, the resurrected Christ, and the "personage of the Holy Spirit"; humans can be godly: "As man is, God once was, and as God is, man may become"; three levels of heaven: celestial, terrestrial, celestial.)

Other famous Mormons: Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, former Governor of Michigan George Romney, Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson, columnist Jack Anderson, hotel magnate J. Willard Marriott, Gladys Knight, Steve Young, the Osmonds.

Missionaries: single, young men (ages 19 to 25), who serve for 2 years; and single, young women (21 and older) who serve for 18 months; each works with a

EIN and Tax-Exempt Status

As reported last year, the CADEIO tax ID number (employer identification number [EIN]) and tax-exempt status had lapsed. In the fall of 2012, I applied for and received a new EIN. However, we are still in the process of reapplying for tax-exempt status. We have retained the services of Moore, Costello, and Hart, a tax law firm in St. Paul, Minnesota. To move forward, we are being advised to gain approval of changes to our constitution, including a statement of tax-exempt mission and conflict of interest policy.

Proposals

1. Approve 2013 Budget, including more spending in recruitment, training, and development.
2. Approve move to fiscal-year accounting (July 1–June 30).
3. Approve changes to constitution to support our new application for tax-exempt status.
4. Add PayPal capabilities to our website.

companion of the same gender; their work is voluntary, and they are not paid; approx. 55,000 currently serve.

Churches not affiliated with the LDS: Reorganized Church or Community of Christ, to which some descendants of Smith belong (935 churches, approx. 186,000 members); Church of Jesus Christ (Bickertonites; 71 churches); Church of Christ (Temple Lot).

Polygamy: Practiced early on (Young had 27 wives); doctrine prohibited (suspended) since 1890 (paving the way for the state of Utah), though practiced by some nonaffiliated sects; 86 percent of Mormons say that polygamy is morally wrong and that practicing plural marriage is a violation of both civil and church law.

Civil rights: While Blacks were always admitted to the church, and it opposed slavery, the restriction on black priests ended only in 1978.

Sources: *The Book of Mormon*; Clark and Kathryn Kidd, *A Convert's Guide to Mormon Life*, Bookcraft, 1998; William Taylor, *A Tale of Two Cities: A Comparison between Mormons and Catholics*, 2nd ed., 1980; *What Do Mormons Believe?* www.Mormon.org; www.lds.org/church/facts?lang=eng; www.lds.org/church/statistics?lang=eng.

CADEIO 2012 Budget

Account Number	Account Description	2011 Actual	2012 Budget	Proposed 2013
Revenue				
101	Full Membership Dues	\$15,000.00	\$23,000.00	\$20,000.00
102	Assoc. Membership Dues	\$430.00	\$750.00	\$600.00
103	Publications/Royalties	–	–	–
104	Institute	\$9,895.00	–	\$12,000.00
105	National Workshop	\$4,565.00	\$9,000.00	\$8,000.00
106	Interest	\$283.15	\$500.00	\$500.00
107	Donations		\$100.00	\$100.00
108	Draw on Reserves	\$502.45	\$2,450.00	\$5,000.00
Total Revenue		\$30,675.60	\$35,800.00	\$45,200.00
Expenses				
201	General Administration	\$192.80	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
202	President's Office	\$2,119.84	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
203	Faiths in the World	\$2,562.02	\$3,500.00	\$3,000.00
204	Episcopalian/Catholic	\$742.40	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
205	Lutheran/Catholic	–	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
206	National Workshop	\$4,716.69	\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00
207	Research & Development	–	\$500.00	–
208	Newsletter/Website	\$187.90	\$1,000.00	\$500.00
209	Board Meeting	–	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
210	Catholic/Jewish	–	\$1,000.00	–
211	Fitzgerald Award	\$310.85	\$600.00	\$500.00
212	Publications	–	\$500.00	\$2,500.00
213	Contingency	–	\$500.00	\$500.00
214	Handbook	–	\$300.00	–
215	NCCC Liaison	–	\$1,200.00	\$1,000.00
216	Scholarships/Grants	\$500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
217	Ecumenical Promotion	–	\$500.00	\$500.00
218	Student Essay Contest	\$664.66	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
219	CCT-USA	\$938.44	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
220	Institute	\$17,740.00	\$1,500.00	\$15,000.00
Total Expenses		\$30,675.60	\$35,800.00	\$46,200.00

Report from CADEIO Liaison to EDEIO

by Rev. Joseph D. Wallace, Episcopalian-Catholic Liaison, Diocese of Camden

Mission of EDEIO

- To develop, train, and support a network of ecumenical and interreligious officers within the Episcopal Church
- To identify, initiate, support, communicate, and celebrate the ecumenical activity at the level of the diocese or parish
- To communicate with and for the Standing Commission on Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations and the national ecumenical officer
- To advocate the commitment of the resources of this church to the goal of one Eucharistic fellowship following the mandates of the general convention
- To encourage liaison and collaboration with other entities of the church engaged in ecumenical work

- To foster dialogue with non-Christian faith traditions leading to deeper understanding and strengthened mutual respect, and sharing in God's call for justice and peace

Reports

- Expansion of network for support, development, and communications
- Reception issues with Lutherans and Moravians
- Development of more training for local ecumenical work
- Reports from provincial representatives
- Ministry together with the ELCA and United Methodists

Newsletter Report

by Julie M. Conroy, Editor, Archdiocese of Washington

CADEIO published three issues of its newsletter, the *CADEIO Connection*, in 2011.

The first issue appeared in May 2011. Although the issue was the first one after the annual meeting, it did not cover the National Workshop on Christian Unity (NWCU) but featured contents that had been submitted during the previous several months. Articles covered a celebration in Great Falls, Montana, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of a covenant based on the *Joint Declaration*; the Eleanor Malburg Eastern Churches Seminar in Cleveland, Ohio; interfaith activities in upstate New York; a 24-Hour Quran Reading and a "Taste of Faith" in the Diocese of Belleville, Illinois; invited speakers for the Week of Prayer and Paul Wattson–Marie Kidder Lecture Series in Sacramento; ecumenical and interfaith events in Philadelphia; ecumenical luncheons, the LARC Day of Dialogue, and LARC Vespers in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; a review of "Handing on the Faith" in DVD; and recog-

nition of Sister Eileen Hurley, SCL, by the Montana Association of Churches.

The July issue of the *CADEIO Connection* covered NWCU 2011 with a feature article, photos, and the statement "Christian Unity is Our Calling." It also included the committee reports submitted for the annual meeting, as well as a close-up on the student essay contest winner, Craig Gould, and his winning essay. Other articles in the July issue reported on the *Pro Ecclesia* conference at Loyola University Maryland in Baltimore and the Orientale Lumen XV conference in Washington, DC. Guidance for commemorating the 10th anniversary of the World Trade Center disaster was also included.

The final issue of the *CADEIO Connection* for 2011 appeared in December. The cover article highlighted the 2011 CADEIO Institute for Interreligious Leadership at the University of St. Mary of the Lake

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Summer Institute Committee Report

by Very Rev. Robert B. Flannery, Diocese of Belleville

Beginning in 1981. CADEIO and the Bishops Committee for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs have sponsored summer institutes for individuals involved in ecumenical and interreligious ministry. The makeup of the CADEIO Summer Institute Committee is as follows: Father Bob Flannery, chair; Brother Jeffrey Gros, FSC, facilitator and dean, Introductory (initial) Institute and Advanced Institute for Ecumenical Leadership; Father Thomas Baima (dean) and the associate director of the Secretariat of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs (SEIA) of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), facilitators of the Institute for Interreligious Leadership; and one member of the USCCB-SEIA office staff, who serves as registrar and treasurer of the three summer institutes offered in a three-year cycle.

Purpose. The purpose of the Summer Institute Committee—besides determining the location each year—is to plan, coordinate, advertise, and solicit applicants for one of the three institutes held each summer. Sometimes a fourth and specialized institute has been added to the rotation, which was the case in the summer of 2002—following the tragedy of September 11, 2001—when the institute was devoted entirely to Islam.

Budget. The institute budget is determined by the committee chair in consultation with the location facilitator (dean), the on-site host, and the president of

CADEIO. Scholarships are available, as well as financial underwriting by the association.

Goals

- To attract 14 to 20 registrants for the Introductory Institute for the summer of 2012 to be held in Collegeville, Minnesota.
- To plan and attract 14 to 20 registrants for the Advanced Institute for Ecumenical Leadership, which will be held the summer of 2013 at a location yet to be finalized.
- To use the venue for the CADEIO president to do an on-site visit to the institute each summer to meet the participants and to be part of the evaluation process of that year's institute.
- To use the venue for the president to inform the attendees of the various purposes, functions, and programs of CADEIO, including the upcoming events of the association.

Last Year's Institute for Interreligious Leadership took place from July 26 to Aug. 4, 2011, at the University of Saint Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, Illinois. Thirteen participants were in attendance. Rev. Thomas Baima, MBA, STD, and Ms. Judi Longdin, MA, were the facilitators for the week, assisted by leading scholars in the field of interreligious studies: Rev. John Pawlikowski, OSM, PhD; Scott Alexander, PhD; Donald Mitchell, PhD; Ven. Gregory Perron, OSB, MA; and Rev. Julian von Duerbeck, OSB, MA.

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Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois. The December 2011 issue also featured an account of an ecumenical pilgrimage by Lutherans and Catholics to the Lutheran lands in Germany and to Rome. Additional articles covered an Interfaith Service for the Eleven Days of Peace in Carbondale, Illinois; the Pilgrims of Peace gathering at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy

Land in Washington, DC; and a September 11 prayer service in Philadelphia.

It is still a goal of the *CADEIO Connection* editor to publish four issues of the newsletter per year. Ideally the newsletter would be produced quarterly in March, June, September, and December. Perhaps 2012 will be the year that goal is met.

Christian Churches Together in the USA

Report on 2012 Meeting

by Rt. Rev. Alexei Smith, CADEIO Vice President, Archdiocese of Los Angeles

This year's Annual Meeting of Christian Churches Together (CCT) was held in Memphis, Tennessee, February 14–17, with 85 church and organizational leaders participating, representing 36 African American, Catholic, Historic Protestant, Evangelical or Pentecostal, and Orthodox Churches, and 6 Christian organizations: American Bible Society, Bread for the Word, Evangelicals for Social Action, Habitat for Humanity, Sojourners, and World Vision. This year's theme was a continuation of last year's: looking at poverty through the lens of racism.

Although we looked at this theme in great detail last year, this year drew on the historical resources of Memphis, with visits to the National Civil Rights Museum–Lorraine Motel (site of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s murder), Slave Haven Museum (an Underground Railroad safe house), and the historic Mason Temple, where Dr. King delivered his “Mountain Top” speech. And although we authored a response to Dr. King's “Letter from a Birmingham Jail” last year, there seems to be considerable interest in offering a more-detailed and lengthy response on the part of CCT to that letter. In fact, Dr. Bernard LaFayette, Jr. (cofounder of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and a Freedom Rider), stated in his paper presented to us that he thought CCT was continuing the Civil Rights Movement. In this light, I was saddened to see that the Greek Orthodox Church was not represented again at our meeting. Photos of the late Archbishop Iakovos marching with Dr. King immediately came to mind, and we were bereft of their input on all this.

The question as to which of the five church families that comprise CCT includes the Polish National Catholic Church seems to be resolved. Inasmuch as it is the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) that is a member of CCT and not the Catholic Church per se, the Polish National Catholic Church does not meet with us, but rather—at least for now—with the Orthodox Church. It was also interesting that a church entitled the “Apostolic Catholic Church” sent observers (a bishop and a priest) to this year's meeting, but they did not approach us about meeting as part of the Catholic family.

Dr. Dick Hamm gave his farewell address as Executive Director of CCT: he will be returning to writing

and consulting endeavors soon. The main points of his report were as follows:

1. Perhaps his greatest challenge in keeping these five families of churches together was the fact that all of them work and think at their own pace and organizational style. Yet, he is firmly convinced that a divided Church simply cannot bear a common witness.
2. CCT must engage in public witness together. We have issued statements on poverty, and our letter in response to Dr. King's “Letter from a Birmingham Jail” and have advocated with our respective Senators in Washington, DC, on the issue of poverty. CCT can be a movement or a big institution, but not both!
3. The schedules of our church leaders are so full that it is difficult to meet together. It is possible that the date of our annual CCT meeting should be at a different time of year.
4. Cardinal Keeler convened a Christian Unity Summit, Jan. 10-11, attended by 27 people representing CCT, Churches Uniting in Christ, the National Council of Churches, and the National Association of Evangelicals. This meeting offered new encouragement and hope for those engaged in ecumenism.
5. CCT needs to stay engaged as a bridge builder.

Financially, the financial picture of CCT is much improved over last year. A concern for the future, however, is that Dick Hamm worked full-time, but did so on a part-time salary. And so the basic question is this: Are we inviting the new Executive Director of CCT to a full-time or a part-time position? The steering committee has indicated that we should look for a full-time director, but we cannot currently offer any assurance that CCT will be able to fund someone full-time. Raising the necessary funds may require a modest increase in dues, and we could also look into outside funding.

At the conclusion of this session, we bade farewell to Dick Hamm and to Val Reuss, part-time secretary of CCT, who is also moving on.

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National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA

Rev. Joe Witmer, Liaison to the Local and Regional Ecumenism Committee, Diocese of Youngstown

The network of those involved in ecumenism around the country is now called the Local and Regional Ecumenism (LRE) committee. LRE is under the governing board of the National Council of Churches (NCC).

LRE is working on the One Body Network, which will connect regional and local ecumenists and ecumenical structures to one another and to the NCC via the Internet. Keep alert to developments.

Michael Kinnamon is leaving the NCC because of health issues that developed from his frequent travel because of his responsibilities. He will settle in Seattle, Washington, in the near future.

The NCC is now undergoing a re-envisioning process, which will decide the future shape of the NCC. Claire Randall is currently exercising leadership. An interim general secretary, who will serve for 18 months, is being sought.

LRE developed a Vision and Mission Statement in the past year, as follows:

To give expression to unity in Christ and to common mission to the glory of God:

Our vision is to promote a vibrant, interdependent community of local and regional ecumenical bodies, attentive to national and global contexts and in healthy partnership with interfaith neighbors.

Our mission is to facilitate sustained and sustaining relationships among and between local, regional, and national expressions of the ecumenical movement, bringing the mission of the National Council of Churches, in a spirit of partnership, to local and regional settings.

This should include, but not be limited to

1. Surveying various arenas of formal and informal ecumenism to identify issues, trends, concerns, and opportunities to make visible the unity which is our gift and calling in Jesus Christ;

2. Developing opportunities for cooperative resourcing;

3. Promoting ecumenical dialogue, education, formation, training, and ministry;

4. Providing networking opportunities, including the use of regular electronic communications and a public, online database to facilitate networking;

5. Working to ensure representation and participation from the local and regional ecumenical community in various groups which make up the life of the National Council of Churches;

6. Connecting diverse global, regional and local contexts with ecumenical life in our communities;

7. Developing and implementing protocols which can serve as a covenant for respectful and fruitful engagement between local, regional, and national ecumenical and interfaith bodies.

—Adopted February 5, 2011, in San Antonio, Texas

LRE includes representatives of the National Association of Ecumenical and Interreligious Staff and state ecumenical executives, as well as participants of the member judicatories of the NCC.

I look forward to continued interaction with this important group.

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No new churches or organizations were admitted to CCT at this meeting. Seven seminarians and young church leaders participated in all or part of the four-day meeting representing four different traditions. I was asked by Dr. Virgil Wood (Virginia organizer of the Washington March) to try to persuade Dr. Charles Blake, currently head of the Church of God in Christ

(COGIC), to consider having his denomination apply for membership in CCT. Dr. Blake and I worked on some ecumenical projects when he was a pastor at the Crenshaw Cathedral of the COGIC in Los Angeles.

Next year's meeting will be in Austin, Texas, and will focus on poverty through the lens of immigration issues, possibly with Cardinal Roger Mahony, Archbishop Emeritus of Los Angeles, as one of the principal presenters.



“One Lord, One Faith,
One Baptism.” Eph 4:5

The Purposes of CADEIO

- To stimulate the exchange of ideas, experiences, and networking among the ecumenical officers of the dioceses in union with Rome.
- To promote programs which further the work of Christian unity and interreligious cooperation.
- To cooperate with the Bishop’s Committee for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and other ecumenical and interreligious agencies.

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Upcoming Events

- NAAE 2012 Annual Conference, Sept. 21–23, 2012, Atlantic School of Theology, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, www.naae.net.
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 17–25, 2013. Theme: “What does God require of us?” (cf. Micah 6:6–8).
- National Workshop on Christian Unity, April 8–13, 2013, Sheraton at Columbus Square, Columbus, OH.

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