

# Minutes of the Fellowship Educational Committee meeting

Via conference call

Sunday, December 19, 2010 2:00 P. M. EST

Participants: Lila Dogin, Lara Amix, Katharina Becker, Daniel Love Glazer, Marilynn Kulieke, Nick Stefero

Agenda:

- Workshops for IC11
- Vision / Mission
- Education Committee's year-end report to the GC
- Constitutional Amendment

Workshops for IC11:

The Education Committee (EdC) had talked of sponsoring two workshops at IC11: one on "How Jesus Taught," led by Nick, Lara, and Barbara Newsom; the other on "The Universal Educational Regime," led by Marilynn Kulieke. Lara said she would be unable to serve as a leader; Nick is on board, and will try to coordinate with Barbara. Marilynn will proceed to plan her workshop.

Vision/Mission: Marilynn commented that, based on her experience with other education-oriented groups, a vision statement should be short, and a mission statement should outline how the vision will be accomplished.

Currently our web site displays statements of a purpose, a vision, a strategic plan and goals. Lila proposed folding these into two categories: a (1) vision/mission statement expressing our purpose, and (2) a strategic plan, expressing goals. Her statement met with general agreement. Marilynn, Lara, and Katharina offered to write drafts of these by the third week of January.

Constitutional Amendment:

A draft of the revised constitutional statement of the EdC's purpose has been submitted to Michael Challis. Michael says we need to provide a preamble to our proposal. Daniel offered to draft one.

Year-end report:

Lila asked for suggestions for the report she needs to submit to the GC. Participants mentioned several 2010 activities worth reporting, including sponsoring the Summer Study Session at Twin Towers, revising our website, drafting a proposed constitutional statement of our purpose, and meeting as a committee. For 2011 goals, mentioned were sponsoring workshops at IC 11, sponsoring "intelligent conversation" seminars, beginning with one in Florida March 12, formally submitting a revised constitutional statement of purpose, further revising the web site, writing articles for the Mighty Messenger, and preparing for the Summer Study Session of 2012.

Miscellaneous:

Lila continues to look for new members **who will work** for the EdC. Also, non-committee members are encouraged to write about the committee's work for the Mighty Messenger. An example would be a report from a participant in the March "intelligent conversation" seminar. And Nick and Daniel said they would write something for the Mighty Messenger.

Marilynn commented on the success of a women's study group. Is this an example of something the committee should promote?

Lila is scheduled to undergo surgery on her spine. Prayers from everyone!

Next conference call meeting:

Tentatively scheduled for Sunday, January 30.