

Minutes of ICER Meeting
July 28, 2010
Champaign, IL

Present: Dwight Bailey, Robin Barrow, Martha Herrin, Christine Hopkins, Kevin Laughery, Earl Smith, Terry Clark, Pamela Tackett

The meeting began at 10:30 with prayer, introductions and a brief time of getting reacquainted. Then the group participated used an African Bible Study Method from the Anti-Racism training manual to study Revelation 7:9-12.

A discussion of local racism issues in Champaign followed. Robin Barrow offered to secure a table and to be present at the Champaign/Urbana outdoor event to be held in August to explain what ICER might offer as the community seeks to combat racism.

Next the future of the ICER team was raised and everyone present committed to remaining on the team. Additional members will be sought to add to the group. A contact sheet was circulated and addresses verified. Pamela Tackett will send a letter to all judicatory executives letting them know that the group is actively seeking new members.

The next ICER meeting will be in Springfield on September 23 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 524 E Lawrence Ave. It will be in conjunction with the 2010 ICC Annual Assembly, which begins at 8:30 am. (Registration for this is found on-line at www.ilconfchurches.org) The ICER meeting will begin at 2:00 pm.

In February, 2011 the team will do a training session with the current ICC leadership team. Details will follow as to length, date and time.

In March, 2011 ICC will host a statewide gathering regarding poverty; see the July issue of "Ecumenical Connection" for more details.

Robin Barrow and Earl Smith are the co-chairs of ICER and Kevin Laughery is in charge of the internal communications. Current trainers are Mark Harness, Christine Hopkins and Kevin Laughery. Other officers will be on an as-needed basis.

The group had a working lunch and adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Hopkins