

National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA

Attn: WTS Executive



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General
Secretariat

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Commission on
Faith and Order

Dear Don,

I am writing to you as part of the nominating process of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA to request your nominations for members of the Commission on Faith and Order.

As you know, the next quadrennium begins in the year 2000. During the next four years under the general theme: "On the Journey: Living into the Unity Given by God," the Commission will be engaged in two major studies on Full Communion and Authority. These topics were selected after careful attention was given to the specific requests of our member churches. For your information and assistance in the selection of persons to serve on the Commission, I am enclosing a copy of the report of the Program Guidelines Committee. You will notice on page 4 of this report additional study programs are also identified.

I am also sharing with you the dates of the commission meetings for the next four years.

2000	March 8-11 (Wednesday-Saturday) October 12-14 (Thursday-Saturday)
2001	March 15-17 (Thursday-Saturday) October 11-13 (Thursday-Saturday)
2002	March 14-16 (Thursday-Saturday) October 10-12 (Thursday-Saturday)
2003	March 13-15 (Thursday-Saturday) October 9-11 (Thursday-Saturday)

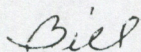
The Commission on Faith and Order values its partnership with you in the study of these issues which prevent the visible unity of the church. As you nominate persons, it will be appreciated if consideration is given to the expertise required for these special studies.

I will be happy to be in consultation with you about this process, the number of persons you may wish to nominate, or any other relevant details. It will be important to have your names by September 15th.

At this time, I should also remind you that it is the responsibility of the nominating body to assume the cost for travel to and participation in Commission meetings. This is not under normal circumstances a cost that can be borne by the Commission.

Please do not hesitate to be in contact with me if I can be of assistance in this procedure.

Sincerely yours.



William G. Rusch
Director

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