

Commission on Appraisal Seeks Input from Identity-Based Groups

Dear Friend:

I recently returned home from a meeting of the Commission on Appraisal, where we did some exciting work on our process for the review in progress of the Unitarian Universalist Principles and Purposes (Article II of the UUA Bylaws). We have been encouraging congregations to participate by using the workshop materials on our web site and then turning in their comments to us on line. There has been such a flurry of participation lately that we extended the deadline for comments until January 15.

At our meeting we devoted a lot of attention to the possibility that identity-based UU groups for one reason or another might not have been involved in congregational participation in the review. I am writing to you now because we very much want to have your identity-based group's voice heard. You probably have a busy schedule in the next eight weeks, but I hope you will be able to carve out some time for taking up the Commission's questions about the Principles and Purposes -- whether you are satisfied with the way they are worded now or whether you would like to see some changes made.

There is more than one way to participate. Maybe your group will have a chance to have a discussion at a meeting. If you have a list-serv, I invite you to post this message on it and then forward any responding posts to the Commission. Or maybe individuals in your group will choose to write to us. We will welcome all messages sent to us either on behalf of your whole group or else by individuals on their own.

Participating in this review is as easy as it is important! You can get more details and send us comments through our web site at <http://www25.uua.org/coa>, or you can send us comments by email to coa@uua.org. Please let us hear from your group or individuals in the group by January 15, 2008.

Sincerely,

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for the UUA Commission on Appraisal