

## **ICUU AFRICA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE Nairobi, Feb. 7-12, 2008**

### **THE BASIC DAILY SCHEDULE**

7 am Morning Worship  
7:30 am Breakfast  
8:30 – 10 am Program Session  
10 am Coffee Break  
10:30 - 12:30 Program Session  
12:30 - 4 PM Lunch and Free Time  
4 p.m afternoon tea  
4:30 -6 p.m Covenant Groups  
6:30 p.m Dinner  
7:30 PM - 9 PM Evening Program Session  
9 p.m Evening Worship, then socializing

### **SCHEDULE WITH PROGRAM DETAILS**

#### **THURSDAY, Feb. 7**

Participants arrive throughout the day in Nairobi, and come to the Methodist Guest House (We will coordinate sharing of ground transportation as possible.)

Dinner 6:30 p.m.  
Ingathering 7:30 – 8:30

Opening Worship – each person bring a stone from home to form a circle of stones  
Introductions and stories of how we connected with U-Uism  
Orientation to the Work of the Conference

1. Go over the schedule, materials, and the expectations of all participants
2. Assign covenant groups, and describe the goals of the small group ministry process: to get to know each other, to practice a model of ministry/program for small groups, and to engage in theological reflection.

Welcome to Kenya – ceremony planned by local committee 8:30 – 9:30

#### **FRIDAY, Feb. 8**

7 am Morning Worship (Burundi group)  
7:30 am Breakfast  
Morning Program (with coffee break)  
8:30 – 10am What is religion for us? Definitions (Jill)  
Set the stage for the work – overview:  
What is religion? What is worship? What is spirituality? What is leadership?  
10:30 – 12:30 : Theological Foundations (Rosemary)

12:30 Lunch and Free time (perhaps have a few 1-hour follow-up discussions available by choice)  
4 pm – afternoon tea  
4:30 – 6 pm Covenant Groups (Getting to know each other: describe some place or part of nature – animal, plant, earth - that is very important to you, speaks to you and why)  
6:30 p.m. Supper

7:30 p.m. Evening Program Session

- Slide show of ICUU with descriptions and histories of member groups (David)
- Sharing stories of local situations – the contexts we are coming from, what components of a U-U group are of most interest or importance to us, special challenges or resources, etc.

9 p.m. Evening Worship (Uganda group)

Socializing

## **SATURDAY, Feb. 9**

Morning Worship (Congo Group)

Breakfast

Morning Program Session

1.5 Hours: Organizational Structures (Brian)

2 Hours : Worship – theory and design (who?)

Lunch and Free Time

Afternoon tea

Covenant Groups : The meaning and the experience of worship (Best and worst experiences)

Dinner

Evening Program Session – Discussion of Worship and Spirituality (who will facilitate?)

Evening Worship (one Kenya Group) and Socializing

## **SUNDAY, Feb. 10**

Morning Worship (Nigeria group)

Breakfast

Morning Program

1.5 Hour: Qualities of the Religious Leader (All presenters take one piece)

2 hour: Conflict and Harmonious Relations (Gordon and Leigh)

Lunch and Free Time

Afternoon Tea

Covenant Groups - Your experience of conflict – how has it shaped you?

Dinner

Evening Session: Theological Reflections on Justice and Service (Rosemary)

Evening Worship (Second Kenya group)

Socializing

## **MONDAY, Feb. 11**

Breakfast

Morning Worship (Third Kenya Group)

Morning Program Session –

1.5 hour: Religious Education (Jill)

1 hour: Training in Small Group Ministry Facilitation

1 hour: Working together as U-U's : making strategic plans for the future

12:30 Lunch and Free Time (working on group plans)

Afternoon Tea

Covenant Groups

Dinner

Closing Session

Sharing of plans for next steps in each group, and between groups

What will we each take away from our time together

Closing Worship (involve all – who wants to coordinate this?)

**TUESDAY, Feb. 12**

Worship

Breakfast

Leaving