

UU Congregations!

Building the World We Dream About

A Unitarian Universalist “Welcoming Congregation” Program on Race and Ethnicity

The Identity-Based Ministries group of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations is seeking congregations to field test a 12-month/24-session program that engages participants in understanding the role of race and ethnicity in their personal and congregational lives. **The Field Test period begins September 2007 and must be completed by December 2008.**

Program Goals

- To promote multicultural welcome, inclusion and affirmation in all facets of Unitarian Universalist congregational life
- To develop participants' knowledge and skills in addressing issues related to race, ethnicity and cultural identity both individually and institutionally
- To identify ways congregations can build communities that are multiracial/multicultural communities of love and justice.
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Approach

Building the World We Dream About is a 12-month series of interactive seminars that employs large and small group activities. Twice per month (every two weeks) participants explore topics that increase their understanding of race and ethnicity, through spiritual reflection, journaling, visual arts, poetry, music, theater tools, simulations, and field trips. The program can be adapted as a religious education curriculum, a covenant group, or as an all-congregation study and action curriculum.

Leadership

Co-facilitation by two members of the congregation is required for this program. Ideally, co-facilitators would be a “multicultural” team.

Applications will be due by May 1, 2007. For more information and to request an application contact:

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