



The Promise of Ecumenical Community: *Visioning Our Future*

You are invited to participate in shaping a vision for local and regional ecumenism!

**Thursday November 11, 2010 at noon
through
Friday November 12, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.
New Orleans, Louisiana**

This is an opportunity to be a part of a milestone event—a *kairos* moment—in U.S. ecumenism, to make new connections, to help shape a vision for the coming decades, to begin a sustained process of renewal in the local and regional ecumenical community, and to bring back new energy into ecumenical work in your communities.

On Thursday afternoon, we will be joining a Centennial Ecumenical Gathering of the broader ecumenical movement to discuss the future of ecumenism. Local and regional representatives will sit together at a closing banquet and join in the closing worship that evening.

On Friday from 8:00am to 3:30pm, those committed to local and regional ecumenism will gather for a time of focused conversation about the future of ecumenism in our communities. This visioning process will result in new relationships, new ideas, new initiatives and new energy for our work together.

All are welcome to attend the full Centennial Ecumenical Gathering from Nov. 9-11, and to help in building projects on Nov. 8. See the flyer for that event, or the website below, for more details.

Location: New Orleans Marriott Convention Center Hotel, 859 Convention Center Blvd.

Lodging Costs: \$129/night, reserve by Oct. 14*

Registration Costs: \$175 (Thu. noon to Fri. 3:30 p.m.)**

Sign up for e-mail updates (including when registration will open) by sending your name and e-mail address to Ammon Ripple at aripple@nccusa.org — or call 646-596-4750. Visit <http://www.nccusa.org/lre> for more information.

All are invited, including staff of ecumenical and interreligious organizations, board members, judicatory leaders, and committed volunteers.

Both events will focus on Christian ecumenism, but people of all faith backgrounds are welcome.

This visioning consultation is being organized by the State Ecumenical Executives Colleague Group, the National Association of Ecumenical and Interreligious Staff, and the Ecumenical Networks Committee of the National Council of Churches.

**Call 1-800-305-6342 by Oct. 14 to reserve at this rate—use the code: 'NCC' or '2010 General Assembly.' Rate is for 1 king bed or 2 double beds. (Rooms available nearby for as low as \$79/night.)*

***If you also attend the full Centennial Ecumenical Gathering, the additional fee to attend on Friday is \$90.*