

# MINUTES

## WIB Faith-Based Meeting

May 4, 2016

Attendees: Pastor Carolyn McCombs Chair, Cynthia Miller, Erica Crenshaw, Andrea Newton, Teresa McDermot, Cheryl Walters, Rosa Williams-Hopkins, Wafaa Saad, Josephine Sardina, Walter Toombs, Antoinette Brevard, Elder William Henry, Duwan Bogert, Rev. Ed Lyons, Deiby Martinez, Rev. Allan Boyer, Teresa McDermot, Victoria Grippe, Mario Fontana, Kelley Brown, Lenelah Maddox, Pam Long, Dr. Boisselle, Rachel Roth,

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### **Welcome and Introductions**

Pastor Carolyn McCombs called the meeting to order at 1:46 p.m.

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### **Minutes**

Minutes were reviewed and approved.

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Pastor Carolyn McCombs noted that we are excited about the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Faith-Based Conference /Banquet however many of the committee members have not registered. She encouraged members to please go online to register and apprised the members that May 6, 2016 is the deadline for the ads for our Ad Journal.

Pastor Carolyn McCombs noted that the ad for the Conference is in the Herald News, Record and the City Post which is great for people who do not know that we exist and may want to become a part of the committee.

### **Faith-Based 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference 2016**

#### **Video**

Pastor Carolyn McCombs advised the committee that the 2- minute video trailer is completed and asked that everyone keep watch for the link and send to all of their contacts to get the word out. The video for the conference is 8 minutes and will be presented at the conference.

#### **Souvenir Ad Journal**

Pastor Carolyn McCombs noted that all committee members need to forward their ads to Cynthia Miller because we want to make sure that printing and journal production is completed in time for May 20<sup>th</sup>. She also reminded members that they get half price.

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### **Workshops**

Pastor Carolyn McCombs announced the candidates chosen for the overcomers to serve as panelists which included:

- ✓ Janielle Byron from St. Luke's CDC for the disability overcomer
- ✓ David Britt from NJ Department of Labor and Everlasting Life Foundation Ministry for Re-entry
- ✓ Saher Katanany for immigration barrier.

### *Overcoming Barriers*

Panel speakers will include:

Lauren Murphy Passaic County Workforce  
Development Center  
Herbert Fields St. Paul's CDC

### *Immigration*

David Martinez from UPO will secure Attorney Ron Mondello and Pastor Carolyn will confirm Johanna Calle from the Alliance for Immigrant Justice.

The Immigration Panel will be first due to Attorney Ron Mondello's scheduling commitment.

### *Keynote Speaker:*

Adena Bayoh co-owner of IHOP in the center City Mall who was a Liberian refugee.

### **Out Reach**

Pastor Carolyn McCombs reiterated that the committee must utilize social media to get the message out asked the committee members to share the video.

### **Wrap-Up**

Announcements

**The meeting concluded at 2:30 p.m.**

The schedule for the next meeting: **TBD**

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