

**AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE LEADERSHIPS OF THE  
CHURCHES OF THE DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH FAMILY 6-8  
NOVEMBER 2006  
Achterberg Conference Centre**

MONDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2006

**18:00            Joint supper**

19:00            SESSION 1

=A word of welcome

=Certain logistical arrangements

=An overview of the agenda

=Teams to chair the different sessions: Rev Lampies Lebone and dr Kobus Gerber, Dr Coenie Burger and Br Kovilan Moodley, Rev Bennet Shunmugam and Rev Collin Goeman, Prof Thias Kgatla and Dr Andries Hoffman

= The Interim Committee will function as a listening team

1.1 Table groups get to know one another

1.2 A representative of each church gives a motivational input from the Word (5 min each): Rev Victor Pillay (RCA), Prof Piet Strauss (DRC), Ms Dineo Seloana (URCSA), Rev Johannes Ramolahlehi (DRCA)

1.3 Table groups talk about their dreams for this meeting and a re-united church

1.4 The 4 Moderators give their input (10 min each): Rev Bennet Shunmugam, Dr Coenie Burger, Rev Lampies Lebone and Prof Thias Kgatla

1.5 Evening prayers: liturgical team

**21:30            Refreshments  
                    Time to socialise**

TUESDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2006

**07:30            Breakfast**

08:30            SESSION 2

=Praise and worship

=Bible study (in large group and small groups) (Ef 2 verse 11-22): 10 min introduction by dr Paul du Plessis and Rev George Sebastian

= Theme: *Unity as gift*

09:30            SESSION 3

Churches tell their stories (1)  
= Each church gets 20-25 min to tell something of their story as well as the essence of their resolutions with regard to church reunification  
= If churches have documents they want to distribute, they can do so afterwards  
= Group discussion

**10:30 Refreshments**

11:00 SESSION 4

Churches tell their stories (2)

12:00 SESSION 5

The development of a set of values with which the churches can journey together  
(Small groups develop a list and and big group decides on the most important values)

**13:00 Lunch**

14:00 SESSION 6

= Identify matters/ issues that need attention in the process: see preliminary list from Interim Committee and add to it/ change it  
= Prioritise the issues that we need to deal with at this meeting  
= Form task teams to start to analyse issues and develop strategies to deal with them  
= An important issue is the current agendas/ projects/ matters on the tables of the four churches: how do we journey together/ work together on it?  
= The task teams have Sessions 7 and 8 to work

15:00 SESSION 7

Work session 1 in task teams

**16:00 Refreshments**

16:30 SESSION 8

Work session 2 in task teams

**18:30 Supper**

19:30 SESSION 9

=Report back  
=Big group discussion  
=Listening team starts a process of putting the issues and recommendations on paper

21:30           SESSION 10  
Evening prayers: liturgical team

21:30           **Refreshments**  
                  **Time to socialise**

WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2006

**07:30           Breakfast**

08:30           SESSION 11  
=Praise and worship  
=Bible study (in large group and small groups) (Ef 4 verse 1-5 vers 5): 10 min  
introduction by dr Allan Boesak and dr Sarel Corrie  
= *Theme: Unity as imperative*

09:30           SESSION 12  
Listening team reports

**10:30           Refreshments**

11:00           SESSION 13  
Executives meet separately to deal with matters flowing from the report of the  
listening team

12:00           SESSION 14  
  
The processes for the way ahead:  
= Processes for the road ahead  
= Matters that have not been dealt with  
= Time frames  
= Joint ventures/ activities of the synods  
= Co-ordinating the dates of the meetings of the leaderships of the churches  
  
Liturgical closure  
Celebrating the Lord's Prayer (Executives will decide on it)

Declaration of Intent

**14:00**      **Lunch**  
 **Departure**