

ARKANSAS INTERFAITH CONFERENCE

The Arkansas Interfaith Conference had its' origins in the 1957 Little Rock Central High crises. The then Arkansas Council of Churches was formed to provide a vehicle for African American and Anglo pastors of central Arkansas to meet together. In the early 1980's, the Reformed Judaism tradition joined and the organization changed its' name to the Arkansas Conference of Churches and Synagogues. Then, a decade later, with the Muslim and B'hai traditions joining, the name changed to the Arkansas Interfaith Conference.

Currently, the members of the Conference are The United Methodist Church, the Episcopal Church, the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., the Roman Catholic Church, the Greek Orthodox Church, United Church of Christ, the Christian Church (Disciples), African Methodist Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal, Zion, Christian Methodist Episcopal, Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Unitarian-Universalist, Reformed Judaism, B'hai and Muslim.

The Conference has two major areas of work: Service, which involves programs about poverty, the environment, restorative justice and immigration. And, Unity and Dialogue, which discusses unity among the Christian traditions and dialogue between the different faiths.

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