

**For consideration by the Conference Executive
- values to be upheld in planning the 2010 annual meeting**

The planners for the 2010 annual meeting of Toronto Conference will be guided by the following values and statements*:

The annual meeting will...

with regard to the planning of a meeting

- use best practices in all aspects of the meeting
- employ a variety of presentation techniques
- be a time of learning and transformation
- be a place of excitement rather than the “same old”
- have something for a variety of ages, while recognizing that age-specific programming is not the work of agenda planning

with regard to individuals

- take into consideration all of the people’s senses, e.g. taste, smell, sight, etc.;
- have quality content that appeals to both the emotional and logical sides of the attendees
- employ a variety of presentation techniques
- honour the time, talents, participation and expertise people bring to the meeting, eliciting high participation from all present
- value and respect with openness the differences that everyone brings
- be outward looking as an expression of our faith, sharing with others as well as the wider church
- value all aspects of ministry, e.g. Ministry Personnel, ethnic, youth, lay

with regard to being a connected church

- show awareness of intercultural issues and concerns, celebrating the intercultural fabric of the church
- value and respect with openness the differences that everyone brings
- value all Courts of the church and be aware of the priorities that are being exhibited at each level
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- be outward looking as an expression of our faith, sharing with others as well as the wider church

* the values and statements are an amalgam of the statements which guided the planning of the 2009 annual meeting, evaluation of that meeting, comments from the June 10 Executive meeting, discussion amongst 2010 planners and reflection by the 2009-2010 Executive