

World Day of Prayer – USA Administrative Committee Conference Call

August 30, 2019 8 am EDT

Present: Fanya Burford-Berry; Gail Strange; Mary Martin; Esther Stephen; Marilyn Pagan-Banks; Susan Skoglund

Fanya opened the call with prayer at 8:05 a.m. She then shared that she and Andrea Miskow, Staff, had been able to locate hotel space in the vicinity of LaGuardia Airport at comparable rates to the International House. The problem is meeting space.

Esther Stephen graciously offered meeting space at her husband's church in New Jersey and that she could arrange meals. We would then need to absorb the cost of change fares to book transportation to Newark.

Gail Strange indicated that we could meet at the PC USA office at the United Nations. We then discussed the possibility of meeting in a church near LaGuardia to make transportation more efficient.

Fanya shared that LaGuardia is in Flushing. Esther suggested checking with Board Member Susan Kim who attends church in that area.

After discussing the options, we determined that our first option would be to try to obtain meeting space in a church in Flushing, either First Presbyterian or the Korean Presbyterian Church. We would pay their fee or a stipend. We would also worship with them on Sunday morning if feasible.

Our second option would be to take Esther up on her offer to meet in New Jersey.

Our third option is to use the PC USA space at the UN if available.

Word will be sent to the Board to make transportation arrangements to LaGuardia. Hotel space will be sought that will include free shuttle service to and from the airport. In addition, Fanya will book 9 rooms to include a hospitality room that could serve as meeting space for Friday night and Sunday morning. She will keep us informed.

Fanya closed the call with prayer at 8:44 a.m. EDT.