**PENTECOSTAL/CHARISMATIC KOINONIA 2016: A Report on Pentecostal/Charismatic Engagement with the Greater Christian Community, with a Focus on North America** Presented by David Cole, PCCNA Liaison to the Greater Christian Community  **PCCNA Christian Unity Commission** In May of 2015, the PCCNA executive committee approved the formation and establishment of a commission that would assist in the facilitation and expansion of the work of promoting Christian unity among member denominations and organizations, and also between Pentecostal/Charismatic Christians and other members of the Body of Christ. A number of PCCNA organizations have appointed C**h**ristian Unity Liaisons (see list below), who will serve as ambassadors on behalf of their Church families while cooperating in Christian unity efforts within and beyond the PCCNA. That group is gathering this week in conjunction with the PCCNA annual meeting in the very first session of the Christian Unity Commission.

**Currently appointed Christian Unity Liaisons from various PCCNA organizations:**

Rev. Sterling Brackett—International Church of the Foursquare Gospel (USA). sbrackett@foursquare.org

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Rev. Cecil M. Robeck, Jr.—Assemblies of God (USA). cmrobeck@fuller.edu

Rev. Anthony Suarez—National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference (USA). tonysuarez@nhclc.org

Other activities and initiatives that merit the awareness and/or involvement of our Pentecostal/Charismatic family:

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** This event with special emphasis on unity between Christians takes place all over the world each year from January 18-25. It has been instrumental in gathering diverse groups of Christians together for prayer, Scripture reading, preaching, worship and fellowship. This year’s theme, *Called to Proclaim the Mighty Acts of the Lord* (cf. 1 Peter 2:9), was developed, along with some liturgical resources for worship, by an interdenominational team from the nation of Latvia.

**Society for Pentecostal Studies** The 45th annual meeting of SPS takes place March 10-12, 2015, in San Dimas, CA at Life Pacific University. This year’s theme is “Worship, the Arts and the Spirit.” [www.sps-usa.org](http://www.sps-usa.org).

**Christian Churches Together in the USA** February 17-19, 2016 in Washington, DC the annual CCT Convocation focused on the themes which have been central to the work of CCT over the past ten years: “Racial justice, Hunger/Poverty and Evangelism.” Over the past decade several Pentecostal denominations and organizations have participated in this annual gathering and its interdenominational initiatives. [www.christianchurchestogether.org](http://www.christianchurchestogether.org)

**International Catholic-Pentecostal Dialogue** The International Catholic–Pentecostal Dialogue met July 10-17, 2015 in Rome, Italy. The meeting was co-chaired by Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Raleigh, NC (USA) and Rev. Cecil M. Robeck, Jr. (Assemblies of God, USA). Other representatives of PCCNA member churches who participated in the Dialogue were Rev. David Cole (Open Bible Churches, USA/Open Bible Faith Fellowship, Canada), and Rev. David Moore (Foursquare, USA). Participants met with Cardinal Kurt Koch and Bishop Brian Farrell, president and secretary of the Vatican’s Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, respectively, and attended a Sunday service at the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, where it is believed that the Apostle is buried. The teams have completed work together on a final report of this five year session, entitled *Do Not Quench the Spirit: Charisms in the Life and Mission of the Church*, and the report is expected to be published later in 2016.