Teaching Religion, Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding:
A Consultation of Educators in Religion
August 9 -11, 2010
Boston University School of Theology
Photonics Center, 8 St. Mary’s Street

1. **Thee Smith** – Religion as a Source of Conflict and Resource for Peace: *How do we prepare our students to understand and engage those aspects of religion that are a source of conflict and/or resource for peace?*

2. **Phil Amerson** – Curriculum: *How can we transform our curriculum to prepare our students to be ministers of reconciliation?*

3. **Marc Gopin** – Pedagogy: *How do we teach conflict transformation/reconciliation/peace-building?*

4. **Jan Love** – Difficult Conversations and Decisions: *How do we prepare our students for difficult conversations and decision-making?*

**Agenda**

**Day 1**

1:00 – 2:00 Welcome & Introductions – Mary Elizabeth Moore
2:00 – 2:30 State of the Art – Tom Porter and Joyce Dubensky
2:30 – 2:45 Break
2:45 – 3:45 Keynote Presentation I and Clarifying Questions – Thee Smith
3:45 – 4:45 Small Group Discussion
4:45 – 5:00 Break
5:00 – 5:45 Working Plenary: Gathering Questions and Conclusions – M.E. Moore
5:45 – 7:00 Break
7:00 – 9:00 Dinner (Oxnam Room at Boston University School of Theology)

Brief Presentations: A View from the Church – Bishop Dyck, Bishop Hassinger, Bishop Ward

**Day 2**

8:00 – 9:00 Breakfast (Oxnam)
9:00 – 10:00 Keynote Presentation II and Clarifying Question – Phil Amerson
10:00–11:00 Small Group Discussion
11:00–11:15  Break
11:15–12:00  Working Plenary: Gathering Questions and Conclusions – David Trickett
12:00–1:00  Lunch
1:00–2:00    Keynote Presentation III and Clarifying Questions – Marc Gopin
2:00–3:00    Small Group Discussion
3:00–3:15    Break
3:15–4:00    Working Plenary: Gathering Questions and Conclusions – Pamela Couture
4:00–6:00    Break
6:00–8:00    Dinner (Oxnam)

Brief Presentations: Glen Stassen, Chris Rice, Shandi Mawokomatanda

Fellowship

**Day 3**
7:30–8:30    Breakfast (Oxnam)
8:30–9:30    Keynote Presentation IV and Clarifying Questions – Jan Love
9:30–10:30   Small Group Discussion
10:30–10:45  Break
10:45–12:30  Working Plenary: Gathering Questions and Conclusions: Summary

Reflections and Future Directions – Tom Porter and Mary Elizabeth Moore

12:30        Lunch