

NINTH ANNUAL MEETING WITH EVANGELICAL LEADERS

Washington, D. C.

June 5 – 6, 2017

The 2017 conversation of Evangelical leaders and academics, coordinated by Rabbi Yehiel Poupko and chaired by Rev. David Neff and Rabbi David Sandmel gathered in Washington, D. C. in June.

The program opened with Talmud study, led by Rabbi Mark Dratch. The day's second session considered varieties of Evangelical and Jewish faith expression, with presentations by Rabbi Harold Berman and Rev. David Neff, followed by small group discussions and then by reports from the smaller groups to the larger body.

Afternoon and evening discussions considered "Faith and the Polis" with presentations by Rabbi Jonah Pesner and Dr. Galen Carey, both of which were also followed by breakout discussions and reports from those discussions to the larger group.

The evening also included text study of the New Testament, framed by material and presentation by Dr. Jay Phalen.

Tuesday morning discussions included presentations on the role of religion in international affairs, with presentations by Rabbi David Saperstein and Dr. Chris Seiple, followed by conversation with the full group.

Dr. Jeffrey Garcia and Rabbi Shira Lander continued the morning with discussion on "The Jewishness of Jesus," also followed by a full group discussion.

The meeting's closing session focused on "Evangelical and Jewish Theologies on the Jewish Return to Sovereignty in their Ancient Homeland and Implications for Evangelical-Jewish Relations in the United States. Presentations by Robert Nicholson and Rabbi Yehiel Poupko framed the discussions that followed.

Closing remarks and discussion ended the program with scheduling of the 2018 gathering for June 4 and 5 in Washington, D. C.