

Practical Outcomes of The Common Word Conference 2008

1. A Common Word website whereby Christians will recommend books on Christianity and Muslims will recommend books on Islam that are appropriate for different ages and address a range of topics.
2. Ongoing contact high-level group(s) facilitated by Yale University or Aal al-Bayt Institute.
3. A week every year where Muslims and Christian religious figures are urged to emphasize the good in the other tradition.
4. We plan to publish two books on the Common Word initiative. The first one will be a widely circulated study guide that will address frequently asked questions about the Common Word. The second book will include the proceedings of the Yale Conference.
5. We will carry this message of a Common Word—the message of our shared love of God and love of neighbor—which we have explored and discussed together over the past week back to our communities, to our congregations, to our neighbors and friends. Other conferences in Cambridge in October 2008, Vatican in November 2008, Georgetown in March 2009, Baptism Site in Jordan in December 2009 will carry this dialogue forward.