

## ***Path to Membership!***

Yes, indeed. Our membership team is working on a roadway to membership that will remodel our UU and U program, introduce some new ways of sharing information about the history of Unitarian Universalism, our principles, our theological diversity, our social mission, our seven principles and the special history of the First Unitarian Church in Omaha. We will also outline the responsibilities of membership.

Our goal will be to introduce what we have to offer potential members and guests in an organized format with some ideas on how to celebrate new members with the whole congregation and how to integrate them into our community. We are reviewing what other churches are doing and how to modify their ideas and procedures to fit our church. We will keep you filled in on the action.

Meanwhile, invite your friends and relatives not only to our services, but to all of our social events and functions. Talk to your colleagues and friends about what is going on with us and what Unitarian Universalists represent in this culture. Have two conversations a week with someone who doesn't know us.

Wear your name tag to the next Holland Lecture to identify yourself as a proud member of the group that does something so remarkable for Omaha. We will have the name tags left at the church at the lecture, so you don't have to remember to bring yours unless you have it at home. Order your new name tag if you want one.

We are bringing more blue cups to coffee hour, so you can easily spot a visitor by the cup or the temporary name tag and introduce yourself. We are seeing more visitors and Bill Ross can use some help with our Ambassador functions. Please volunteer.

If you are a member of a team or committee, let us know how we can help you include new members or friends with your activity. Advertise to your team that new members or friends often need to be invited directly to participate in the work you are doing.

Let us know what you think.

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