

Dear Supporters of the Reformed Institute,

As you may know, the Reformed Institute has been in existence for fifteen years under the leadership of Executive Director Bruce Douglass and the Board of Directors, which is made up of two representatives from each of the sponsoring churches. In 2016 Bruce Douglass let it be known that when the sponsoring churches made their next recommitment to the Institute at the end of 2018, he would plan to retire from his position but with the hope of remaining involved in the work of the Institute. The Board and its officers have proceeded through the last two years with the anticipation of Bruce's retirement.

In order to take next steps in planning for Bruce's replacement, the current sponsoring churches were asked to consider their financial and participatory support for the next three years, through 2021. Of the eleven sponsoring churches, nine made the three-year commitment, one made a one-year commitment and one church is ending its support in 2018. Your Board representatives may be contacted for more information about how your congregation made its decision.

Also, in anticipation of the coming change, the Board put together a task force to explore how the Reformed Institute might fulfil its mission under new leadership or in new ways. Once the financial picture was made clear at a Board meeting in late June of this year, the task force proposed, and the Board concurred to seek a Transitional Director, someone who will lead the Institute for up to two years while a new Executive Director is sought. A search committee for the Transitional Director has been convened, a job description has been approved by the Board, and a job announcement has been disseminated to appropriate seminaries and schools with potential candidates as well as posted on the Reformed Institute ([here](#)) and National Capital Presbytery websites. You are encouraged to read the job description and contact me if you have leads or suggestions for the position.

As the Reformed Institute seeks to enter this next phase in a deliberate and faithful way, we ask for your prayers and hope to see you at events and programs in the coming year.

In Christ's Service,

John Y. Lee, Chair  
Reformed Institute Board of Directors