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A conference of "All Things"

Jerry Brown, VP for Conference Planning

Those were the words and intentions of Paul, the great missionary, preacher, evangelist. In order to reach out to everyone, to relate to everyone, Paul tried to be meaningful in what he said and did with everyone. In order to get his message out, to share the good news of Jesus the Christ, his goal was to communicate to the people in a way that they would best understand and receive that message, from their individual perspective.

That is our goal for this year's conference; to be all things to all people. The theme this year is that, although different in many ways, we are all part of one body. Although we come from different backgrounds, customs, regions, philosophies, traditions, etc. we form one body of Christian unity, the ICCC. And although we all have different interests and talents, we can all use them for the benefit of the group and to further God's influence in our world.

I am so looking forward to this conference. I am so excited. There will be so much to do, to participate in, to enjoy, to learn and grow...regardless of your particular interests or focus for the conference.

We have an inspiring preacher, Rev. Dr. Clifford Jones, who will not only lead the worship services, but also share a time of discussion with us for enhanced understanding of his message. I am so looking forward to his motivating preaching style, as well as the opportunity to share further time for in-depth discussion with him.

Then, in the Education track, we will meet Shane Claiborne, our Bible Study leader,

who is a nationally-known speaker, author, and social activist, advocating for nonviolence and service to the poor. His values and priorities have been influenced by his work with Mother Teresa in Calcutta as well as his experience with the Iraq Peace Team in Baghdad. He has come to realize the need to support a consistent life ethic, to protect all human life. I'm sure you won't want to miss the chance to spend some follow-up discussion time with him. And, of course, we will also have several great workshops, some of which were specifically requested enhancements of experiences from last year.



The Missions Committee has several speakers/presentations arranged that will allow you to get involved in supporting them, as well as the WCF collecting gift cards to help local citizens in Charlotte women's shelters. There will also be hands-on activities inviting everyone's involvement and participation.

The Fellowship track will have several opportunities to spend time with old friends and/or make new ones. This will include visits to the Billy Graham Library Museum not far from the hotel. It has just recently re-opened after closing for COVID and major renovations.



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President's Message

Abraham Wright

If Easter Has Come and Gone, What's Next?

Today, some of us are saying, "Easter has come and gone." If this is true, the logical question is, what happens next? Others are echoing a similar idea: "Since Easter has come and gone, we now move to the next event on the National Church calendar." Yet, others are saying, "Easter has come, and it is still with us in the Church and in our everyday lives." I, hold the latter of these three notions.

If the outcome of Easter does not compel us to examine the effects of the 40 days of observance of Lent, of fasting and praying and meditating and reading of Scriptures and genuine participation in other meaningful activities, then why did we spend the time doing so? If the observance did not produce a renewed commitment to the gospel of Jesus Christ that strengthens us and ultimately the life of the Church—a life of spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ and practice using it in our everyday lives—why observe Lent? Why deprive ourselves of needed sleep on Easter morning if the participation in Sunrise services and/or Resurrection services are just formalities? Why have Jesus get up from the grave, reminding us of how His rising from the dead collides with sin and ultimately humiliates Satan in a landslide victory of eternal life over death, for us to casually say, "Hallelujah, amen; it's over"? Jesus got up so we could get down. Down to the genuine mission of the Church, that is, to follow Jesus' lead and live the new life given to us through Jesus's death and resurrection.

If we could take what we gleaned during the 40 days of Lent and Easter observance and just do a few things differently, think of how transformed our

lives would be. We are talking about worthy, actualized commitments such as arriving at church or watching the online worship service on time; giving warm welcomes to individuals who visit our churches and making them feel like they are genuinely a part of the family of God; reporting (during conflicts) accurate information concerning others instead of derailing them primarily for self-gain; preparing well for committed tasks we are aware of far in advance instead of waiting until the last minute then fall with broken wings instead of flying like eagles. Again, we are talking about worthy tasks such as praying on a continuous basis for strength to resist and to reduce the consumption of too much sugar, too much salt, too much sodium and cholesterol, too much alcohol, too much social media, too much "church swapping," and cease substituting our mission for the central mission of the Church.

And what about activation of some of those plans that have been in the incubation stage almost from our inception? They include activating the notion that God has already gone ahead of us and prepared the way—we need to walk beside him as he walks beside us in completing what He has already started; not waiting until we become rich or win the lottery before we make financial contributions to the church; admitting through action that we do know the guidelines for financial giving and that we give as God blesses us; visibly demonstrating that God calls us to be leaders, not celebrities; modeling for others that God calls us to a committed Christian life, a life in which we are clear in our thinking and guided by the Holy Spirit that does not

allow us to demonize groups based on the action(s) of one or two members, for there are rotten fruits in almost every group, including those in our churches; reaching across denominational/communion lines in sharing and receiving resources and adapted programs that facilitate the spreading of the gospel and thus help to transform ourselves and our communities into "healthier" beings and places; putting forth intentional efforts to see the good in people and to remember Paul's word in 2 Thessalonians 1 that Jesus Christ is Lord, and he repays those who do evil with everlasting isolation and rewards those who are faithful, including those who endure persecution, with eternal life.

So in the transformation of our lives, during this post-Lent and Easter season, especially regarding the command to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit every moment of our lives, I can think seriously of no better conclusion to this message except to remind us of the transformation of the late Marion Bascom, an ICCC African American pastor in the Baltimore, Maryland area; the late Robert Taylor, an ICCC pastor of euro descent from the Columbus, Ohio area; and the late Bob Puckett, an ICCC pastor of euro descent from Norris, Tennessee.

During the late 1980s and mid-1990s when a large number of pastors, especially several African American leading clergy in the Consultation on Church Union (CUIC) communions, adamantly resisted the notion of

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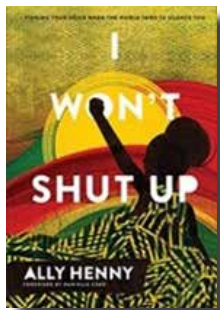


Book REVIEW

By Rev. Kenneth N. Nelson

2023 Theme: *The beginning of wisdom is this:*

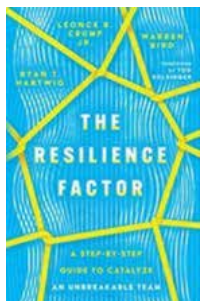
Get wisdom, and whatever else you get, get insight—Pro 4:7 NRSV.



I Won't Shut Up: Finding Your Voice When the World Tries to Silence You by Ally Henny. Baker, \$24.99 (224p) ISBN 978-1-540-90265-8

In her impassioned debut, Henny, vice president of a Black Christian collective, motivates readers to “talk back to [racial] injustice” in a culture where Black women are criticized for everything from their hairstyles to “taking up more space than white people... think you should.” The author

recounts her childhood in a small, predominantly white Missouri town where she was lauded for academic achievements, but nevertheless faced racism from classmates. As an adult, she attended a largely white church where it became clear that even when racism is acknowledged, it's often done in a way that serves the majority: despite “passionate declarations against racism that could elicit hearty ‘amens’”, insidious marginalization in church culture went undiscussed. She explains that using one's voice can take different forms, from calling out racism in everyday life to advocating for change on Capitol Hill. And while readers might meet pushback, they shouldn't let others' feelings silence them, though Henny acknowledges that having to leave once-welcoming spaces (such as a church) due to racism or microaggressions can still feel like a loss. Throughout, Henny is candid about her own path to self-acceptance—“I wasn't always as outspoken about my loudness, my Blackness, or my womanhood”—and her discussions of how racism can manifest in overt and subtle ways, from the church pew to the classroom, are smart and perceptive. Readers will be empowered. *Reviewed on 04/14/2023 by Publisher's Weekly and due for release on June 20, 2023.*



The Resilience Factor: A Step-by-Step Guide to Catalyze an Unbreakable Team by Ryan Hartwig, Léonce B. Crump Jr., and Warren Bird. IVP, \$18 trade paper (156p) ISBN 978-1-514-00568-2

Business consultant Hartwig (*Teams That Thrive*), pastor Crump (*Renovate*), and church researcher Bird (*Better Together*, coauthor) offer sensible advice for building professional teams that can tackle unexpected challenges. Resilience doesn't develop

through superficial team-building exercises, the authors write, it must be forged through the “pursuit of a shared purpose” and a focus on faith. First, it's important for teams to discuss the broader goal that the organization is fighting for, which can be easily forgotten amid day-to-day work routines. Once that's done, they should craft a charter that outlines their purpose, working norms, responsibilities, and accountability structure. It's also worth inventorying each member's skills and brainstorming how to harness them. And rather than leaving

it all to top-level leaders, resiliency work should involve all employees, as each can exercise leadership skills, push colleagues to improve, and hone mutual respect rooted in Christian values. Drawing on solid business principles, the authors take a practical stance toward team unity and dispense plenty of brass tacks advice, much of which applies regardless of faith, whether on meetings (conduct only when necessary), deliverables (create team accountability systems) and evaluations (develop regular “after-action reviews” to assess projects). Christian leaders looking to refresh their organization's approach will want to check this out. *(Reviewed on 04/14/2023 by Publisher's Weekly and due for release on June 20, 2023.)*



We Heal Together: Rituals and Practices for Building Community and Connection

Michelle Cassandra Johnson. Shambhala, \$19.95 trade paper (224p) ISBN 978-1-64547-107-3

In this uplifting if flawed entry, activist Johnson (*Skills in Action*) calls on readers to address ancestral trauma and communal pain through spiritual rituals. Drawing from Buddhist tradition, feminist theory, and her own anti-racist work, the author asserts that, since “when

any living being suffers, we all suffer,” humans must work toward a more just world for others as part of their own healing. Johnson delves into the link between grief and liberation (releasing unprocessed grief can unburden the soul), finding joy in the midst of suffering, and the importance of learning about one's ancestors, particularly for readers of color. Spiritual rituals follow each chapter, and include journal prompts (“If I hold trauma in my body from my lineage, where is it showing up and how does it feel?”), yoga practices, and relaxation techniques. While the meditations on the power of community grow repetitive and there's a surfeit of overly long recollections of retreats she's led, readers will appreciate the author's detailed, actionable ritual suggestions and strong social justice principles. The spiritually inclined will find some wisdom here if they're patient. *(Reviewed on 03/10/2023 by Publisher's Weekly and due for release in April 11, 2023.)*

SHARE YOUR COMMENTS. Remember, please share your thoughts at ICCCNOW@sbcglobal.net by the end of the month. And let us know if we have your permission to quote or paraphrase your comments. *Thank you for your feedback and have a blessed month..*

Grant Writing Workshop

Do you know how to secure public or private funding to support your community ministries, leadership development programs, or even help improve your church home? Do you know how to write a grant to secure such funding? If not, invite one or two members of your congregation or center to participate in this Zoom grant writing workshop.

Dr. Linda Abington, an ABBA Church of Renewed Faith member in Chicago, IL., is an experienced grant writer. She will lead a four-part 90-minute workshop on Saturdays, May 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2023, from 12 noon – 1:30 p.m. Eastern time.

Program Description

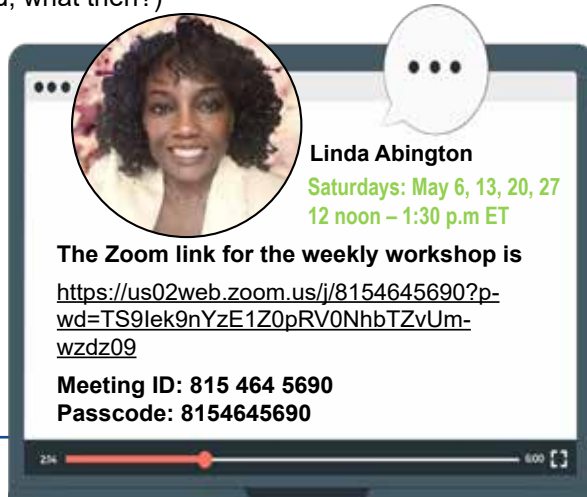
Workshop training will be designed to help participants with each step of the grant process.

Week 1, May 6 – Grant readiness assessment (i.e., corporation status, articles of incorporation, program development, and Grant Accountability and Transparency (GATA) where applicable)

Week 2, May 13 – Review 1023 application - 501 (c)(3)

Week 3, May 20 – Types of grants – governmental grants, private foundations/corporations, etc. (Review written state-funded grant)

Week 4, May 27 – Grant management (After you're funded, what then?)



Linda Abington
Saturdays: May 6, 13, 20, 27
12 noon – 1:30 p.m ET

The Zoom link for the weekly workshop is
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8154645690?pwd=TS9lek9nYzE1Z0pRV0NhbTZvUm-wzdz09>

Meeting ID: 815 464 5690
Passcode: 8154645690

We want to equip one of your members to write grants for your congregation or center. In addition, we want your congregation or center to learn how to expand your resource base so that you can continue to serve your congregation and community faithfully.

If you have questions about this training event, please get in touch with me at iccpt@sbcglobal.net or 502-387-8515.

Phil

Meet Our Leadership, One by One



REV. DR. SHARYON COSEY, BCC/APC
VP for Membership Enlistment

Rev. Cosey is a Board Certified Chaplain at Mount Sinai Health System in Chicago, IL. She is the founder and Senior Pastor at ABBA Church of Renewed Faith, also in Chicago, IL.

Her mission as a pastor and chaplain is "Preach the gospel, use words if necessary." ~ words of Saint Francis Assisi.

Rev. Cosey was an ICCC Regional Trustee for the Midwest area from 2014 until 2022, when she accepted the position of ICCC VP for Membership Enlistment in July 2022.

Her goal is to attract & bring new churches as well as connecting with current ICCC church members so they will remain in the Council.

*"Do as much good as you can,
for as many people as you can,
for as long as you can."
~ Rev. Cosey*

*Rev. Dr.
Sharyon Cosey*

Sharing Joys with

- **Rev. Dr. Arturo P. Lewis**, who was installed as Senior Pastor of **Emmanuel Church**, NJ on April 1, 2023. Congratulations!
- **Rev. Nancy Nemeth**, who was ordained as Pastor for **The Center**, IL on April 23, 2023. Congratulations as well!

**Sharing Concerns with**

- **Karen Batey** and family. Karen's husband of 56 years, **Rev. Gary Batey**, passed away March 27, 2023. He died peacefully in Hospice with family at his side. There will be a private family service at a later date. Gary served his last 14 years of his 44 years in ministry at **Roser Memorial Community Church** on Anna Maria Island, FL, before retiring in 2014. Gary was a very active member of the ICCC, serving many roles, and made many good ICCC friends while supporting the goals and programs of the ICCC.

ICCC Resource About Raising Funds for your Congregation

Did you know that ICCC has a resource that provides ideas on raising funds for your congregation/center/community? It's titled **Fundraising 101**, and you can download it from our ICCC webpage at <https://www.icccnow.org/council-other-agency-resources/>.




**WESTERN ZONE, REGIONS A & B
ZOOM GATHERING
SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023**

Visit our website for meeting information.
<https://www.icccnow.org/upcoming-meetings/>

"All Things" cont'd. from p1

And we saved the best news for last. To encourage as much participation as possible to experience our new Track schedule this year, not only are we holding the Early Bird registration price at the same level it has been for the last few years, but we are also offering an even better arrangement. If your church sends in five registrations together, we'll give you a 6th registration free! That means, your church sends in six registrations, and only pays for five.

So, this is pretty much a "no-brainer". You have a beautiful hotel in Charlotte, NC with a spacious two-room suite; free, full breakfast buffet every morning and manager's reception every evening; world-class preaching and teaching, as well as outstanding workshops and presentations; and finally, the opportunity to spend all this time with some of the most gracious, caring, and loving Christians you'll find anywhere. How can you pass up an opportunity like that?

So, get your registration submitted, review the schedule on the ICCC website to see which track you want to follow and which presentations you want attend, pack your bags, and ... I'll see you in Charlotte!

What's Next cont'd. from p2

having hands laid upon all ordained clergy in a national service for the Consultation on Church Union as an act of reconciliation of ordained ministers as one in the body of Christ. They believed that the act was an insult because it represented "re-ordination." To the contrary Bascom, Taylor, and Puckett (not representing the trinity) made a public agreement to support what the Holy Spirit was saying to the churches: they willingly pledged that they would gladly welcome each other's blessing by laying "holy" hands on each other. They further pledged that in honor of brotherly love and racial reconciliation, they would live each day as brothers, and that whichever one preceded the other to the Larger Life, the one who survives would preach the other's eulogy. Taylor preceded Bascom and Puckett, and Bascom delivered Taylor's eulogy; Bascom followed Taylor, and Puckett was one of three eulogists; when Puckett passed, several of us eulogized him and raised the three from "the dead" by modeling their examples to this day.

So instead of the refrain, "Easter has come and gone," let us respond positively to the Holy Spirit, in whichever area our churches need us to respond, by making an intentional commitment to submit to It and let It guide us during this "Easter Will Forever Be with Us" season.

Abraham Knight

2023 Annual Conference Bible Study Leader Shane Claiborne



We are excited to announce the 2023 Annual Conference Bible Study Leader, Shane Claiborne!

Shane Claiborne is a prominent speaker, activist, and best-selling author. Shane worked with Mother Teresa in Calcutta, and founded The Simple Way in Philadelphia. He heads up Red Letter Christians, a movement of folks who are committed to living "as if Jesus meant the things he said." Shane is a champion for grace which has led him to jail advocating for the homeless, and to places like Iraq and Afghanistan to stand against war. Now grace fuels his passion to end the death penalty and help stop gun violence.

Shane's books include *Jesus for President*, *Red Letter Revolution*, *Common Prayer*, *Follow Me to Freedom*, *Jesus, Bombs and Ice Cream*, *Becoming the Answer to Our Prayers*, *Executing Grace*, his classic *The Irresistible Revolution*, *Beating Guns*, and his newest book, *Rethinking Life* (released Feb 2023). He has been featured in a number of films including "Another World Is Possible" and "Ordinary Radicals." His books have been translated into more than a dozen languages.

Shane speaks over one hundred times a year, nationally and internationally. His work has appeared in *Esquire*, *SPIN*, *Christianity Today*, *TIME*, and *The Wall Street Journal*, and he has been on everything from Fox News and Al Jazeera to CNN and NPR. He's given academic lectures at Harvard, Princeton, Liberty, Duke, and Notre Dame.

Shane speaks regularly at denominational gatherings, festivals, and conferences around the globe.



Women's Christian Fellowship (WCF) Missions Workshop



DRESS FOR SUCCESS®

CHARLOTTE

Mark 11:00 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, on your Charlotte Annual Conference schedule. That's when Ms. Kerry Barr O'Conner of **Dress for Success Charlotte** will tell us about the life-changing work her organization is doing in assisting jobless women who are seeking long-term employment.

Men, Too Dress For Success also helps men become employed through its affiliations with other Charlotte area charities. So both women and men are encouraged to attend.

Dress For Success's mission is to share how God's people are giving of their blessings and abundance to provide church-presentable and business clothing as well as providing other services to the needy as taught in Matthew Chapter 25.

This interactive workshop will include insights about the Dress for Success Program of Charlotte as well as the achievements of the "Worship, Witness and Work" initiative at the Tennessee Valley Community Church and Center in Florence, Alabama.

How You Can Help: Reverend Vicky Kirkman, Women Christian Fellowship's Vice President, asks: Do you have any extra women's or men's slightly used or no-longer-fitting clean or new employment-suitable-to-wear clothing? If so, please lend a hand to support this mission workshop.



Please bring the following clothing item(s) with you to Thursday's mission workshop:

- Women's dresses and blouses
- Men's and/or women's shoes
- Women's and/or men's pants and suits
- Men's shirts and sport coats

It's easy. Share your blessings! Just tuck one or some of the above items in your luggage. Or put them in a box if you are driving to the conference.

Through Dress for Success we can leave an imprint of our love and care for our Charlotte brothers and sisters in need.

Conference Mission Track Program Adopts a Theme

The ICCC Mission Track Committee enthusiastically recommends that it should adopt Ephesians 2:10 as its theme for the Charlotte Annual Conference. That passage reads:



The Committee believes that the above Bible passage expresses the intent and purpose of the numerous informative as well as hands-on mission programs it is organizing for the Charlotte Annual Conference.

Join us by doing good works to help the needy in Charlotte and overseas!



CHARLOTTE

Community Service Certificates

Participate in Hands-on Mission Track Programs at Annual Conference and Receive Custom-designed Community Service Certificates

Adults and youths attending the upcoming Charlotte Annual Conference each have multiple opportunities to receive special community service certificates.

Parents, bring your children to the conference so they can understand the importance of helping disadvantaged children and families by participating in two hands-on events with local Charlotte charities. These opportunities to help the needy are part of a robust conference-long youth program headed by Mike Mahan with an assist by women volunteers from various ICCC member churches.

Wednesday at 11 a.m., your young ones will be bused to a thrift shop run by Tender Hearts, a local charity. After enjoying a free boxed lunch, they will sort donated clothing and other items for homeless families and individuals. Each participating youth will receive an ICCC Certificate of Community Service.

On Thursday at 11 a.m., in the Yorkmont Room, adults can earn ICCC Community Service Certificates by contributing women's and/or men's business-suitable clothing to Dress For Success Charlotte. This event, sponsored by the Women's Christian Fellowship, enables Dress For Success and other local charities to support unemployed women and men who need appropriate clothing for job interview and workplace purposes.

Friday afternoon at 2:30 in the Yorkmont Room is when adults and youths can earn ICCC community service certificates. They can accomplish that by working together to stuff school supplies into 300 backpacks for indigent children in Haiti. Seniors are welcome and needed to write personal notes of encouragement to be placed into each backpack. This event is sponsored by Give Hope Global, a local charity that is supported by our conference host, Imagine Church.

This is a great opportunity for conference attendees of all ages to "do good works" and earn community service certificates in the process! ***Feel good by doing good!***





International Council of Community Churches
ICCC Registration Form – 2023 Annual Conference: July 18-21
"We are family" - Charlotte, NC

Name (as you would like it on badge) _____

Full Address _____

Telephone (_____) _____ E-mail Address: _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone _____

Church (member of) _____

First Conference: Yes ☐ No ☐

Status: ☐ Clergy ☐ Laity



FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND YOUTH PROGRAMS ONLY!



■ Age (on 7-1-2023) _____ Grade completed by (7-1-2023) _____

■ If **under 18**, an adult who is registered for the Conference and who will serve as a sponsor and assume responsibility for said young person must sign below:

Sponsor Signature

Print Sponsor Name

CONFERENCE FEES

Fill in Dollar Amount for this
Registration

Infants (not occupying chair at banquet)	\$ 0.00	\$
Child* with Kid's Meal** (Ages 1-5)	\$ 35.00	\$
Elementary* with Kid's Meal** (entering kindergarten - entering 6th grade)	\$ 60.00	\$
**Add-on ONLY if Adult meal is preferred for Banquet Child/Elementary regis.	\$ 30.00	\$
Youth (completed 6th grade - entering 12th grade)	\$ 145.00	\$
Young Adult (completed 12th grade - age 23)	\$ 170.00	\$
Adult Register by June 1, 2023 - Early Bird Special \$195.00	\$ 230.00	\$
Daily Registrants Circle Day(s) T W Th F (meals not included)	\$ 75.00/day	\$
CC	TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$

Which TRACK are you most interested to follow (circle one):

WORSHIP

FELLOWSHIP

MISSION

EDUCATION

BUSINESS

A Banquet ticket is included in your registration fee. This meal includes: Caesar Salad, Chicken Artichoke Piccata, Red Bliss Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetable, White Wine Lemon Sauce, Artisanal Rolls & Butter, Chef's Choice Dessert, Coffee, Hot Herbal Tea and Iced Tea. *Fish Option:* Southern Spiced Sautéed Shrimp & Grits with Tomato Glaze. *Kid's Meal Option:* Chicken Tenders, Fries, Lemonade and a Cookie. Meals are subject to change.

Please circle one of the following for your preference at Friday's Banquet Dinner.

Chicken Piccata (Default Option)

Fish Option

Kid's Meal Option

****Child & Elementary registrations include the Kid's Meal option. If the adult meal for Child/Elementary is preferred, please add \$30.00 to your total enclosed.**

Please return this form with payment to: ICCC, PO Box 846, Longmont, CO 80502

☐ Check or Money Order made payable to ICCC ☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD ☐ AMEX ☐ DISCOVER

Acct. #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CVV: _____

Print name as it appears on card: _____ Signature _____

One form per person. **Early Bird registration must be received in the office by June 1st.** Registrations after June 30, 2023 will be accepted at Conference only.

CANCELLATIONS: A \$25 administration fee will be assessed for each.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SESSIONS MAY BE VIDEOTAPED for advertising or Social Media. By registering for conference, you agree the ICCC may use your image, name, voice and story in any medium or format, throughout the world forever, free-of-charge, and for any reasonable purpose in furtherance of its mission.

2023 Conference Meal Programs

The **2023 Annual Conference** offers 3 optional meal program opportunities: the **Fellowship Luncheon**, the **Mission Luncheon** and the **Prayer Luncheon** hosted by the Women's Christian Fellowship. The Conference Banquet Dinner is included in your registration fee* (Additional quantities can be reserved for an additional cost). You can visit our website **ICCCNOW.org** to see a brief description of the meal program, or watch for details in upcoming issues of the Christian Community.

Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 12:00pm is the **Fellowship Luncheon**. This meal includes Baby Green Salad, Roasted Vegetable Ravioli, Herb Shallot Burr Blanc, Artisanal Rolls, Creamy Butter, Chef's Choice Dessert, Coffee and Iced Tea.

Kid's Meal Option: Chicken Tenders, Fries, Lemonade and a Cookie.

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at 12:00pm is the **Mission Luncheon**. This meal includes Baby Green Salad, Bourbon Brown Sugar Meatloaf, Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Artisanal Rolls, Creamy Butter, Chef's Choice Dessert, Coffee and Iced Tea. **Vegetarian Option:** Roasted Vegetable Wrap and Carolina Cole Slaw.

Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 12:00pm is the **Prayer Luncheon**. This meal includes Baby Green Salad, Baked Macaroni & Cheese with Chicken, Seasonal Vegetables, Artisanal Rolls, Creamy Butter, Chef's Choice Dessert, Coffee and Iced Tea.

Vegetarian Option: Broccoli Alfredo

Friday, July 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. is the **Conference Banquet***. This meal includes: Caesar Salad, Chicken Artichoke Piccata, Red Bliss Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetable, White Wine Lemon Sauce, Artisanal Rolls & Butter, Chef's Choice Dessert, Coffee, Hot Herbal Tea and Iced Tea.

Fish Option: Southern Spiced Sautéed Shrimp & Grits with Tomato Glaze.

Kid's Meal Option: Chicken Tenders, Fries, Lemonade and a Cookie.

All meals are subject to change.

2023 MEAL RESERVATION FORM

Mail this form & payment to: ICCC, PO Box 846, Longmont, CO 80502

Name: _____

Please reserve _____ places at \$28.00 each for **Tuesdays Fellowship Luncheon**

☐ Check for Kid's Meal Option \$15.00

Please reserve _____ places at \$32.00 each for **Wednesday's Mission Luncheon**

☐ Check for Vegetarian Option

Please reserve _____ places at \$32.00 each for **Thursday's Prayer Luncheon**

☐ Check for Vegetarian Option

*Please reserve _____ add'l places at \$54.00 each for **Friday's Banquet Dinner**

☐ Chicken

☐ Fish

*Please reserve _____ add'l places at \$27.00 each for children under 12yrs.

☐ Kid's Meal

***A Banquet ticket is already included in registration. Order only if additional tickets are needed.**

Total Enclosed \$ _____

If paying by check: make check payable to: International Council of Community Churches (ICCC)

If paying by credit card: ☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD ☐ AMERICAN EXPRESS ☐ DISCOVER

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Print name as it appears on card: _____

Signature: _____

Deadline for meal function reservations is June 30th. There will only be a VERY LIMITED supply of tickets available at Conference registration, so please purchase your tickets before the deadline. After June 30, meal reservations will not be accepted in the Council Office. ***The Conference Banquet is included in the registration fee. You do not need to reserve a ticket for this meal, unless you require additional tickets. Kids 12 yrs & under will automatically receive the kid's meal at the Conference Banquet, unless an Adult Meal upgrade is purchased.**