SOUTH ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONTINUING EDUCATION CONFERENCE

Conference Information Sheet

The South Atlantic District Continuing Education Conference will be held at Divine Savior Academy from 1:00 pm. Monday, June 12 through 12:00pm, Thursday, June 15. The theme for this conference is "REFRESHED BY THE WORD."

Conference Contacts

Please direct all correspondence to the district email: conference@sa.wels.net
Conference Chairman: Pastor Ben Kratz

Change of Venue

Our original plan was to host this conference at the Plaza in Daytona Beach. However, our contract was canceled in late 2022 due to the hotel closing because of hurricane damage. This led to us scrambling to contract a hotel/resort that had the rooms and meeting space required by the size of our conference. Normally we contract years in advance, so our options were very limited.

Thankfully, our brothers and sisters at Divine Savior in Doral stepped up not only to host our conference, but through member contacts, secure rooms at the Trump National Resort only a few miles from Divine Savior. The planning committee and the whole district thank them for their hospitality and willingness to serve.

Location:

Lodging at the <u>Trump National Hotel</u> (4400 NW 87th Ave, Miami, FL 33178). The conference meets at <u>Divine Savior Academy</u> (10311 NW 58th St, Doral, FL 33178).

Attendance:

The Called Worker Continuing Education Conference is a district conference at which pastors, teachers, and staff ministers are strongly encouraged to attend. As brothers and sisters, we walk together and want to make use of every opportunity to encourage, support, and grow together. This conference affords us the opportunity to do just that. If you are unable to attend, excuses are to be submitted to the Conference Planning Committee at: conference@sa.wels.net

Registration for Conference, Hotel, and Class:

Please register, make your hotel suite reservation, and sign up for your class *before April 28th* through this link: <u>CONFERENCE REGISTRATION</u>. There is a 3-step process this year:

1. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The conference fee covers our conference expenses, the meals we will be eating at DSA, and the Monday night fellowship.

2. HOTEL RESERVATIONS

All hotel reservations are being handled directly by Trump National. You will pay for your hotel reservation directly to the hotel. There are two different room types available:

- Deluxe guestroom (King) \$179 / night
- Deluxe Guestroom (Queen/Queen) \$199 / night

There is a \$25/day resort fee that includes:

- (2) bottles of water per day
- premium in-room coffee
- Royal Palm Pool, an oasis featuring 18 cabanas and a 125 ft waterslide
- use of the 24-hour fitness center & daily fitness classes
- use of the Golf Practice Facility
- Four Har-Tru illuminated tennis courts (reservations required)
- exclusive South Beach access with 2 lounge chairs and 1 umbrella per guest room (reservations required)

3. CLASS SELECTION

The Program Committee has six course offerings for pastors, teachers, and staff ministers from which to choose. Courses are selected and paid for directly through each respective institution (MLC or WLS).

Course Offerings:

EDU9109	Bible Storytelling in Early Childhood [MLC]	Prof J Mehlberg
EDU9552	Engaging the Disengaged [MLC]	Prof A Uher
ENG8602	Building and Maintaining Relationships [MLC]	Pr A Robinson
ED5040	Leading Teens and Young Adults into Spiritual Maturity [WLS]	Pr D Dobberstein
OT5181	Elijah: The Chariots and Horsemen of Israel [WLS]	Prof B Wordell
PC5022	Ministering to Those Suffering from Addictions [WLS]	Dr. B Hayes

Deadline

Registration deadline is Friday, April 28th, 2023.

Cancellations

If your plans change and you will not be able to attend the conference after registering, please notify the Conference Planning Committee via e-mail: conference@sa.wels.net Due to contractual obligations and costs associated with hosting a conference of this size, efforts will be made to provide appropriate refunds, though they cannot be guaranteed.

You can cancel your hotel reservation by calling Trump National directly at (305) 592-2000. The hotel may charge you a cancellation fee.

Schedule:

The conference schedule is located <u>HERE</u> and also posted to the district website: https://sa.wels.net/ Conference materials and your lanyard will be available at Divine Savior on Monday.

Fees:

There is a Registration Fee of \$100. This includes the costs for the conference, conference meals (dinner on Monday, lunch on Tuesday), and evening fellowship on Monday.

Our District is blessed when retired called workers can join us for conferences. To honor those who have served and to encourage their attendance, the conference registration fee is waived for all retired called workers who wish to attend. If you are a retired called worker, be sure to select "Retired Called Worker" on the form when you register to have your registration fee waived.

Airport

The nearest airport is Miami International Airport (MIA), located five miles from Trump National Hotel. We recommend rideshares like Uber or Lyft for airport transfer.

Meals:

The following meals are provided at the DSA campus for attendees: Monday supper, Tuesday lunch. All other meals are on your own.

Fellowship

There will be fellowship on the DSA campus following opening worship on Monday night. Snacks and beverages are covered by the conference fee.

Questions:

If you have any questions about the conference or run into any problems with registering for the conference, please contact the Conference Planning Committee via e-mail: conference@sa.wels.net