

LIVE CHRIST!

God's love was revealed among us in this way:
God sent his only Son into the world
so that we might live through him.

1 John 4: 9

REGISTRATION PACKET 2010 Eastern Washington-Idaho Synod Assembly

April 23–25

Boise, Idaho

Doubletree Hotel—Boise Riverside

Friday, April 23—Sunday, April 25

- ◆ **KEYNOTE SPEAKER—Dr. Mark Allan Powell**
- ◆ **GLOBAL MISSION CENTER with
Bishop Renard and Rosemary Mtenji
Ulanga Kilombero Synod, Tanzania**

This packet includes:

- Registration Form
- Letters from the Bishop and the Assembly Committee Chair
- Nomination and Election Information
- Resolution Submittal Form
- Write Your Resolution Right Sheet

Every person attending must register!

Please copy all information in this packet for each person registering.

Deadline for Registration is March 15!

A late fee of \$50 per person will be charged after this date.

BUSINESS SESSIONS

- Elections to Synod Council & Committee positions (*Nomination and Election Information and Nomination Form* enclosed)
 - Resolutions (*Resolution Submittal Form, Resolution Format Guide* and *Write Your Resolution Right* enclosed)
 - **Voting members** to the Assembly business session are:
(See Synod Constitution †S7.21-†S7.31)
 1. All ordained ministers, associates in ministry, deaconesses, and diaconal ministers **under call** on the roster of this synod.
 2. Congregation lay voting member representation (should be as nearly as possible 50% male and 50% female) at Synod Assemblies shall be as follows:
 - Baptized members 1-500 ~ two lay voting members
 - Baptized members 501-1000 ~ three lay voting members
 - Baptized members above 1000 ~ four lay voting members
 3. Members of the synod council.
 4. Retired rostered persons on the roster of this Synod in attendance at the Synod Assembly may have voice and vote.
- Non-voting members** to the Assembly business session are:
1. All ordained ministers, associates in ministry, deaconesses, and diaconal ministers without call. (They have voice but **no** vote.)
 2. Interns serving in the Synod. (They have voice but **no** vote.)
 3. Observers (They have **no** voice and **no** vote.)

YOUTH/YOUNG ADULTS

Youth and Young Adults are encouraged to participate as voting members to the 2010 Synod Assembly. At the 2009 Churchwide Assembly, amendments to the constitutions, bylaws and continuing resolutions of the ELCA were adopted to allow for expanded roles for youth and young adults in the governance in all expressions of our church including our synod assembly. The goal is that at least ten percent of the synod assembly voting members would be persons who are youth (not yet 18 when elected/appointed) and young adults (between the ages of 18 and 30 when elected/appointed.) As your synod council explores ways to implement this goal for future assemblies, we are asking congregations to have conversations with the youth and young adults in their midst. Please consider electing/appointing a young person as one of your voting members if you do not already do so. Lifting up and empowering our young people to serve is part of our calling as a congregation!

HOUSING

If you register for housing, the Synod Assembly Registrar will book your room at the Doubletree Hotel—Boise Riverside. **Do not contact the Hotel directly regarding your registration!** When completing your registration, please indicate the name of a roommate if you are sharing a room. If you choose double occupancy and do not list a roommate, the Assembly Registrar will assign a roommate to you. Rooms will only be available after 3:00 p.m. on Friday and check out is by Noon on Sunday.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Limited scholarships for voting members are available - Please contact the Synod Office (509/838-9871) by March 15.

EXCUSED ABSENCES

Rostered persons who are unable to attend the Assembly and congregations unable to send any voting members are requested to contact the Bishop asking to be excused. (See Synod Constitution P14.02.01.A and †S13.02)

PRE-ASSEMBLY REPORT

The Pre-Assembly Report will be available on the Synod website at least one month prior to the assembly. These reports and the Assembly notebook you will receive at registration will provide you with the information needed to make your Assembly experience a good one. Items from this registration packet will also be available at: www.ewaidssynod.org

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Mark Allan Powell is Professor of New Testament at Trinity Lutheran Seminary and an internationally known biblical scholar. He is editor of the *HarperCollins Bible Dictionary* and author of more than 25 books on the Bible and religion, including the widely used textbook, *Reading the New Testament* (Baker Academic). He has also written in the areas of spiritual formation (*Loving Jesus*), stewardship (*Giving To God*), and homiletics (*What Do They Hear?: Bridging the Gap between Pulpit and Pew*). Powell's DVDs *How Lutherans Understand the Bible* have received widespread use throughout the ELCA and were excerpted for inclusion in the *Lutheran Study Bible* (Augsburg Fortress).



OFFERING

This year's offering at the synod assembly will be divided between:

Tumaini School Dining Hall Project—Our Synod is helping Tumaini School in Tanzania build a Dining/Assembly Hall. This is an ambitious project that our Companion Synod, the Ulanga Kilombero Diocese of Tanzania, identified as their major need when Rev. Mark Nelson, Heidi Cryer and Marj Nishek visited them two years ago. Funds are still needed to complete this building where students can eat their daily meals, study, take examinations and perform the music and drama they love so much. Let's help make it happen!

Yakima Valley Hispanic Outreach Ministry—There are three different aspects of this ministry and all are in need of additional funding:

- Tree of Life Lutheran Church in Terrace Heights, which is to become a New Ministry Start reaching out specifically to the Hispanic/Latino population. They are calling a Mission Developer from Mexico and are supporting a seminarian from Mexico who will work with the youth.
- Campbell Farms Ministry to Women and Children in poverty who are in need of basic resources as well as someone to walk in faith with them.
- The 50-100 Spanish speaking people that attend the week-long event at Holden Village *Abriendo Caminos* every year.

BOOKSTORE

The Book Parlor from Spokane will be with us again for the 2010 Assembly and will be offering your favorite books, as well as their great selection of Fair Trade gift items, and some of your favorite *Old Lutheran* mugs and t-shirts. Remember that purchases from The Book Parlor support the urban neighborhood outreach ministry in West Central Spokane. Your partnership is appreciated! If you have something specific you would like The Book Parlor to bring to this year's Assembly, contact them at lutheranbooks@msn.com or 509-328-6527. Check out their website - www.TheBookParlor.com - your feedback is always helpful and appreciated.

CHILDCARE

Babysitting/childcare is not offered. All arrangements are to be made by the parents/guardians.

REFUNDS

If you must cancel your attendance you will **not** receive a full refund. You can transfer your registration without penalty, if done before **March 15**. If you transfer your registration, please contact the Assembly Registrar so that she can make the necessary changes. If you transfer your registration, **please make sure that the new person has all of the assembly materials that you have received to date.**

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

Friday, April 23

12:00 PM	Registration begins
1:00 PM	Hearings
2:30 PM	Hearings
4:00 PM	Opening Worship
7:30 PM	Plenary Session 1

Saturday, April 24

8:30 AM	Plenary Session 2
11:00 PM	Workshops
1:00 PM	Plenary Session 3
4:00 PM	Workshops
7:00 PM	Plenary Session 4

Sunday, April 25

8:30 PM	Plenary Session 5
10:30 AM	Closing Worship

COSTS PER PERSON:

Entire Assembly (Friday—Sunday)

A late fee of \$50 will be charged for registrations made after March 15.

- \$425 Single Occupancy
Includes: Registration, Single occupancy housing nights of 4/23 and 4/24, Meals (Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast)
- \$400 Retired Rostered Single Occupancy
Includes: Registration, Single occupancy housing nights of 4/23 and 4/24, Meals (Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast)
- \$350 Double Occupancy
Includes: Registration, Double occupancy housing nights of 4/23 and 4/24, Meals (Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast)
- \$275 Retired Rostered Double Occupancy
Includes: Registration, Double occupancy housing nights of 4/23 and 4/24, Meals (Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast)
- \$300 Commuter
Includes: Registration, no housing, Meals (Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast)
- \$225 Retired Rostered Commuter
Includes: Registration, no housing, Meals (Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast)

QUESTIONS

If you have questions concerning Assembly registration or housing, please contact:

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If you have questions concerning other aspects of the assembly, please contact:

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