

Genesis Superintendent's Log

Annual Conference Edition

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21 Days of Pre-Annual Conference Prayer

Would you pray from now until AC19 for God’s Spirit to be present and moving among us? Here’s some specifics to guide your prayers:

When we gather together for Annual Conference, those who come represent the Free Methodist Church in our region. How we respond to what the Lord is saying to us will impact our churches and regions for the year to come (or longer). With that in mind, will you pray - and ask others to pray - for our Annual Conference gathering on May 16-17. Consider fasting some time during this period as well. Thank you.

PRE-ANNUAL CONFERENCE PRAYER GUIDE

Personal Preparation.

Use Galatians 5:13-26 for self examination & confession. In those areas where you struggle, stop & listen for the Lord’s invitation.

- April 26:** How well do you love others? What change is needed?
- April 27:** Where might you be working to “please the flesh” rather than God? Confess.
- April 28:** How often are you angry? How could God transform?
- April 29:** Where do you struggle with selfishness? Name & confess.
- April 30:** Are you joyful? kind?
- May 1:** Are you full of peace?
- May 2:** Are you patient? gentle? How’s your self control?

Conference Preparation

Colossians 4:3. Pray for...

- May 3:** the Bishop as he comes & speaks. Pray we will celebrate his 12 year ministry with us well.
- May 4:** the Superintendent as she prepares. Pray for the Holy Spirit to use her messages at AC.

- May 5:** Pray for the Genesis staff as they prepare, particularly Judy Cornman & Katrina Wilkins.
- May 6:** Pray for all of those leading workshops as they prepare.
- May 7:** Pray for those leading worship.
- May 8:** Pray for the Pearce church staff as they prepare.

Local Church Preparation

Revelation 3-5. Prayerfully examine your church in light of these passages.

- May 9:** Confess any apathy or “deadness” in your church.
- May 10:** Thank God for the love that your local church shows.
- May 11:** Pray for all who will attend AC19 from your church.
- May 12:** Pray for the FM church closest to you (but not yours).

Pray for Fruitfulness

- John 15:1-12.
- May 12:** Pray for revival.
- May 13:** Pray for us to see a harvest (people come to Christ).
- May 14:** Pray for faith.
- May 15:** Pray for the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.
- May 16:** Pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit with others at 12:30 at Pearce Church.

Schedule:

Thursday, May 16:

- 12:00 - Registration
- 12:45 – Pre-Conference Prayer
- 2:00 Opening Worship & Prayer
- 2:10 AC Business begins
- 4:15 “Rise 1”, Supt. Pam Braman
- 5:00 Dinner (for all who register)
- 7:00 Ordination Service, Bishop David Roller

Friday, May 17

- 7:30 AM Registration/ Fellowship/Continental Breakfast
- 8:45 Morning Worship
- 9:00 Devotions w/ Bishop Roller
- 9:40 “Rise, 2”, Supt. Pam
- 10:15 Workshops 1
- 11:15 Workshops 2
- Noon – 1:15 Lunch Break
- 1:15 Workshops 3
- 2:15 Recognition & Prayer for Bishop Roller
- 2:30 “Rise, 3”, Supt. Pam
- 2:55 Prayer for General Conference 2019 & GC Delegates
- 3:15 Closing Worship
- 3:30 Adjourn and Depart

We continue to receive for Bishop Roller & Yvonne’s appreciation gift. Gifts may be sent to Genesis office.

Resourcing you...

Friday Workshops:

Open to ALL. Pastors and delegates, bring your leadership teams for resourcing and training. Register by May 8 and we'll even provide a free lunch!

Friday, May 17, 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Property Brothers & Sisters - Dave Francis
A practical exercise outlining the process of buying and selling property in Genesis Conference

How to Keep Your Pastor - Pam Braman
How can board members and Delegates make sure their pastor wants to stay? Come and hear.

Church Planting: Launch Large
- Troy Bassett, Rick Rouse
Have questions on what it takes to plant a church? It may be easier than you thought. Find out the steps to take to plant a church in our conference. For planters and "mother" churches.

*Go & Make Disciples... Connecting the Dots***
- Mark Rouse, Dan Walker, Colleen Dick
Explore 7 key links to going and making disciples within different ministry contexts.

*Walking Through the Ordination Process***
- Gloria Roorda, Cindi Newman
You've got an LMC...now what? The Pastor's role in the Journey from LMC to Ordination is an amazing opportunity to impact our world for Christ!

*Church Evaluation Process***
- Pam Washburn, Todd Daningburg, Megan Head
In this workshop we will present our new church evaluation system. Open to all, but reps from the 2019-20 evaluation group are expected.

Engaging Social Media - Nate Leshner
You know that social media should be a part of your church experience in engaging your people and the community. But with limited resources how does your church adopt a social media strategy that's not only efficient but also effective? Come find out.

Reaching Youth with Volunteer Leaders - Mike Kuhlkin
Empower and deploy our greatest asset – volunteers. We will look at how to effectively Recruit, Train, and Employ volunteers to minister to our teens.

TABLES TO VISIT AT AC19

Stop by these tables in the lobby at AC to learn more!

- *International Child Care
- *SEED Livelihood products
- *Missions:
 - Mike & Andrea Green
 - *Hope Africa

- *Oakdale Academy
- *Compass Care
- *Lighthouse Station
- *Conference Evangelist:
 - Randy LeBaron

See You There!

Friday, 11:15 – Noon

Emergency! - Dave Francis
Create an emergency action plan for your church.

Membership - Jim LaBarr, Jen Westervelt, Vern Saile
How do you help people become members? A session of practical tips.

Church Development Network Round Table
-Howard Olver, Pam Washburn
Discussion on how to better invite ethnic churches in.

Elevate Leadership: An Introduction
-Rick Rouse
Learn to do small things that make a big difference for your church.

Foundational Thoughts on Outreach to the LGB Community - Pam Braman

Church Partnerships
-Todd Daningburg
One church can help another. Learn how.

Groups! Cultivating a Connection Culture
- Marsha Rivers, Marissa Schweiger
Create a church culture that connects people in small groups.

****Workshops offered multiple times.**

Friday, 1:15 – 2:00

Church Finances: Healthy Financial Systems
- Honna Curtis
Increase understanding of internal controls, income statement & balance sheet, and guidelines when it comes to church finances... and why these all matter.

New Forms of Church Planting: Round Table
- Supt. Pam Braman

Things They Never Taught Me in Seminary
-Dodi McIntyre, Louis Colon, Merry Kendall, Howard Olver
Hear stories that may make you laugh or cry, and better understand a pastor's life.

Igniting Prayer in Your Church - Henry Ausby
Get connected to prayer ministry & lead your church to become a House of Prayer.

Worship Workshop
Come learn about creating environments for worship.

Children's Ministry Workshop
- Kayleigh Schumske
Volunteers, curriculum... want more out of your Family Ministries? Join us as we discover how to partner with families well.