



# Eastern Synod Assembly 2008

12<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention  
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London Convention Centre  
London, Ontario

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## DELEGATE INFORMATION BULLETIN #2

Greetings to you all! Included in this mailing are the final items of information related to your attendance at our forthcoming convention. Please review this material, along with DELEGATE INFORMATION BULLETIN #1, in preparation for your time at *Assembly 2008*.

This mailing is being sent to all synodical pastors and to accredited lay delegates, visitors and guests who's Registration Forms have been submitted to the synod office. If you know of clergy or lay delegates who have not yet registered for Assembly, please invite them to do so immediately.

### 1. BULLETIN OF REPORTS:

The enclosed BULLETIN OF REPORTS is your primary working document for the Assembly. Some additional items will be provided to you in a Supplement when you register at the London Convention Centre.

### 2. DELEGATE ORIENTATION:

Orientation for new Delegates will be incorporated into Session One of the Assembly, which begins at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2008 in Ballrooms 1, 2, 7, 8.

### 3. GROUND TRANSPORTATION:

The Local Arrangements Committee will provide ground transportation to and from London Convention Centre for all delegates and registered visitors arriving at Pearson International Airport in Toronto; London train station and the London bus terminal. **If you did not include your travel information (flight, train or bus numbers and arrival and departure times) on your Assembly registration form the committee has no record of your arrival and can not provide ground transportation.** If you failed to include this information on your registration form and would like ground transportation, phone or e-mail your travel information to Pastor Guenter Dahle <gdahle@elcic.ca>.

When you arrive at the London train station or bus terminal, watch for "Greeters" with *Assembly 2008* signs after you collect your baggage. They will direct you to your ground transportation.

#### **4. GROWTH EVENTS:**

On Friday afternoon, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and again at 3:30 p.m. a wide variety of **educational forums** will be offered. Sign-up sheets will be posted at the hospitality desk so that you can choose the forums you would like to attend.

#### **5. MAPS:**

This Information Bulletin includes maps and directions to help you find your way to the London Hilton Hotel and the London Convention Centre. Directions and a map showing the location of St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral, London, ON, the site of the Ordination Service on Friday, July 11 at 7:30 p.m.

#### **6. TRANSPORTATION:**

Transportation to and from the London Hilton Hotel and St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral for the Ordination Service will be provided for those who sign up at the hospitality desk. Transportation will be limited to those who actually sign-up, so don't forget. There is limited parking around St. Paul's Cathedral for those who wish to drive.

#### **7. PARKING:**

Registered delegates staying at the London Hilton Hotel - Parking is available at the London Hilton at a cost of \$10.00 per day. In addition to the hotel parking, underground parking is available at the London Convention Centre on York Street and public parking is available across the street (either on King Street across from the Hilton or York Street across from the Convention Centre).

#### **8. ACCOMMODATIONS:**

Delegate accommodation will be at the London Hilton Hotel. There is a walkway between the London Hilton Hotel and the LCC. **Please Note** that the recommended stipend paid by congregations is set at double occupancy rates - \$59.50 per person per night plus taxes = \$261.80 for four nights.

Per Delegate Cost at the London Hilton based on Hilton Rates are:

Single - \$119.00 per night plus taxes

Double - \$59.50 per person per night plus taxes

**Check in time is 3 p.m.**

**Parking is available at the London Hilton at a cost of \$10.00 per day.**

#### **9. SYNOD SUNDAY SERMON:**

Parish pastors – please note that Tana Kjos, will be preaching at the July 13<sup>th</sup> Assembly Closing Worship. Bishop Pryse will prepare a sermon for use in your congregations on that Sunday. It will be distributed via email to pastors at the end of June 2008.

#### **10. ALTERNATIVE TRADE PROGRAM (MESH):**

We are pleased that our delegates and visitors will again be able to purchase articles crafted by artisans from developing countries. Plan to take a look at some of these beautiful items (and bring some extra money, since to our knowledge, ATP (MESH) is not able to process credit card sales).

**11. VISITS TO LONDON AREA SITES:**

Looking for something to pleasantly fill your Sunday afternoon? At the Hospitality Desk you will discover materials directing you to local historic and scenic sites in the London area.

**12. RECREATION AND EXERCISE:**

Those staying at the London Hilton Hotel will have access to an indoor swimming pool and exercise room. There is also a Goodlife Centre and YMCA within two blocks of the London Hilton Hotel.

**13. OFFERINGS:**

Offerings from the assembly worship services will be designated as follows:

**Opening Service:** Global Hunger - ELCIC

**Ordination Service:** Waterloo Lutheran Seminary

**Closing Service:** The Ministries of the Eastern Synod and the ELCIC

**14. MEALS:**

Delegates are on their own for meals. See Delegate Bulletin # 1 for details.

**15. TELEPHONE MESSAGES:**

Messages during the day will be passed along to delegates. The number is 1-519-661-6370. For emergency purposes only (24 hours a day), messages can be left with Rev. Guenter Dahle at his hotel room at the Hilton 1-519-439-1661.

**16. DON'T FORGET:**

Bring an umbrella for inclement weather. You will be walking outside to meals and to the Ordination Service. Since the convention area is air conditioned, you may wish to bring a sweater. Each registered delegate and visitor will be given a small travel mug as a gift from CLWR and GHDA. Please use these as a water container during the Assembly.

**17. A FINAL NOTE:**

Please remember to pray that God might lead and guide us in our meetings and deliberations, our worship and growth times, and our fun and fellowship at *Assembly 2008*. May you have a safe and pleasant journey to London!

Sincerely,  
Rev. Guenter F. Dahle  
Assembly Manager

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Encl: Directions and map for the London Hilton Hotel & London Convention Centre