

Conference Cost

Costs, unless otherwise noted, include: Conference fees, lodging and 6 meals. Epworth by the Sea is now a wireless internet campus.

Pitts and Booth, (P & B, more centrally located)

Double Room: \$ 220.00 per person

Single Room: \$ 295.00 per person

Robertson building (newer, w/ bayside view)

Double Room: \$ 235.00 per person

Single Room: \$ 320.00 per person

Commuting: \$ 65.00 per person

(No room/no meals, but meals can be purchased individually from Epworth)

Check with your presbytery to determine availability of scholarships for conference registration cost.

It is the registrant's responsibility to assure full payment before registration can be confirmed or secured.

Cancellation policy is as follows:

More than two weeks notice: full
Less than two weeks: full, less \$50;
Less than 72 hours: full, less \$100.

Make checks payable to "ASC".

Detach and mail this form with check **by April 1st** to:

Maurine Resch
PO Box 248
Blythe, GA 30805
Phone: 706-373-9480
Email: ascregistrar@bellsouth.net

Please note:

**The deadline for registrations is
Thursday, April 1, 2010.**

Conference Schedule

Monday, May 3rd

2:00-4:00pm Registration
4:00-5:20pm Welcome, Icebreakers &
Devotion
5:30-6:20pm Supper at Epworth
6:30-7:15pm Worship
7:15 pm Minute for Mission-Thornwell
7:30-9:00pm Workshop 1-Part I

Tuesday, May 4

7:00-8:05am Breakfast at Epworth
8:15-9:45am Workshop 1-Part II
9:55-11:25am Workshop 2-Part I
11:35-12:20pm Worship
12:30-1:20pm Lunch at Epworth
1:30-3:00pm Workshop 2-Part II
Free Time Free Afternoon
5:30-7:00pm Supper at Epworth

Wednesday, May 5

7:00-8:20am Breakfast at Epworth
8:30-10:00 a.m. Group Discussion and
Reflection on Workshops
10:00-10:30am Check-Out
10:40-11:05am Business Meeting, Awards
& Special Recognitions
11:15-12:05pm Worship & Communion
12:15pm Lunch & Dismissal

Note: We have made changes to the schedule from previous years. Only 2 of 4 workshops may be attended. See information sheet.

A free will offering for the Thornwell Home and School for Children will be taken during the Communion Service on Wednesday morning.

Directions to Epworth: St. Simons Island is 80 miles from Savannah, GA and from Jacksonville, FL., 12 miles from I-95, and 13 miles from Brunswick/Glynco airport. Follow St. Simons Causeway from Brunswick to Sea Island Road. Go left at light. Take first left at Hamilton Road then right on Arthur J. Moore Drive.

**Emergency Contact Number while at Conference:
Epworth-by-the-Sea
912-638-8688**

"New Ways for New Days"

Workshop Leaders and topics:

1-A. Bridging the Gap: Ray Jones, Coordinator for Evangelism, PCUSA. The differences in the current generations will be explored along with their implications for the church.

1-B. Clustering: Phil Tom, Associate for Small Church & Community Ministry, PCUSA. This workshop will look at reasons for and models of clustering and co-operative ministry.

2-C. Officer Training: Roe Callaway, Interim Pastor, Cleveland PC, Cleveland, GA. What are the differences and more important issues for officers of smaller congregations? Come and figure out some answers.

2-D. Electronic Media: Dianna Ott, Director of Creative Services, PCUSA. This workshop will look at the uses of electronic media and websites for churches and provide opportunities for hands-on learning.

PLEASE NOTE: due to your feedback, the workshop format is different this year, allowing for more in depth information. Workshops A & B will be presented on Monday evening and Tuesday AM. Workshops C & D will be presented on Tuesday AM & PM. Each workshop will consist of distinct parts, I & II.

Isaiah 43:19

*I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.*

Registration Form, May 3-5, 2010

Name _____

Address _____

Church _____

Presbytery _____

First Time Attending [] Pastor [] Laity []

Phone: Home () _____

Work () _____

Email _____

Are you willing to share contact information with other attendees? Yes ___ No ___

Double Room ___ or Single Room ___

P & B Lodging ____, Robertson lodging ____,
Commuting ____

Special Needs:

Handicapped Room [] 1st Floor []

Close to Meeting Room []

Roommate Preference:

(Roommate assigned if dbl room with no preference)

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Emergency Contact:

Name _____

Phone _____

Workshop choices must be indicated in your registration, please circle your choices for each workshop

Workshop #1 choice A or B

Workshop #2 choice C or D

History and Goals

The **Association of Smaller Congregations** (ASC) of the Synod of South Atlantic, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) was organized in April 1987 by a group of visionaries led by the late Rev. Foster Edwards, a PC(USA) minister in the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta.

This group sought to create an organization which would:

- *encourage and support smaller congregations,*
- *promote awareness of the unique strengths and needs of smaller congregations,*
- *provide opportunities for fellowship, education, and creative thinking and sharing between smaller congregations, and*
- *facilitate communication between churches, presbyteries, and higher governing bodies.*

All churches and their members within the ecclesiastical bounds of the Synod of South Atlantic, having 200 or fewer members are considered as members of the ASC.

It is the hope of every member of the board that our organization will serve to support the life and ministry of the smaller congregations in the Synod of the South Atlantic. We hope to do this through worship, fellowship, education and prayer for the people of these congregations and for their pastors.



**Association of Smaller
Congregations**

**Synod of South Atlantic
PC(USA)**

23rd Annual Conference

*“New Ways for New Days”
Equipping, Educating, and
Empowering smaller congregations in
new times*

May 3-5, 2010

***Epworth by the Sea
St. Simons Island, GA***