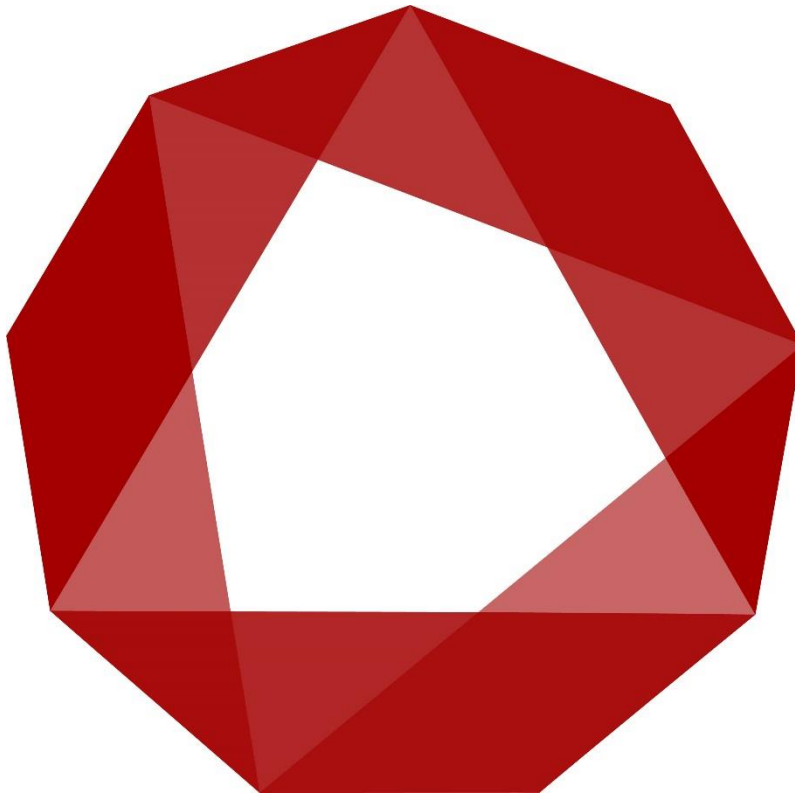


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2019 GEMN Global Mission Conference

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“Compartiendo a Jesús: Testigo mutuo en la Misión Global”

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Conference Overview

Join the Global Episcopal Mission Network (GEMN) and members of the Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana to explore what it means to be mutual witnesses to Christ across boundaries of culture, language and faith.

This international, bilingual (Spanish and English) conference will emphasize the role of evangelism and Christian witness in global mission, reclaiming the evangelistic roots of mutual mission engagement, with particular attention to the witness of the Dominican church and its vibrant, evangelistic spirit.

Keynoting the conference will be:

- The Rt. Rev. Griselda Delgado del Carpio, Bishop of Cuba
- The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers, Canon to the Presiding Bishop for Evangelism, Reconciliation and Stewardship of Creation

Other speakers include:

- The Rev. Anthony Guillén, Director of Ethnic Ministries
- The Rt. Rev. Rt. Rev. Moisés Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana
- The Rev. David Copley, Director of Global Partnerships and Mission Personnel for the Episcopal Church
- The Rt. Rev. William Skilton, retired Assistant Bishop of Dominican Republic



Global Mission Workshops

Mission workshops will give you practical tools to bring back to your diocese, congregation or mission organization:

- Healthy short-term mission
- Updates on places of intense Episcopal engagement, such as Haiti, Cuba, Sudan, and the Dominican Republic
- Asset-Based Community Development
- Sustaining mission relationships
- Discerning a call as a missionary
- Cross-cultural best practices in mission engagement
- Dynamics of enculturation
- Money and mission

About Global Episcopal Mission Network

GEMN is committed to giving you the tools you need for global mission. We are the independent mission network in the Episcopal Church, dedicated to proclaiming, inspiring and igniting the joy of God's mission. GEMN consists of dioceses, congregations, organizations, seminaries, and individuals who are passionate about engaging God's mission and connecting people through mission.

GEMN's annual Global Mission Conference creates a forum where people who are passionate for global mission engagement meet, learn, and exchange ideas. Together we discern where God is leading us next as the hands and feet of Christ, as a church, as individuals, and as God's people.

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Conference Schedule

Pre-Conference Programs:

Tuesday, April 2:

- 8:30 am – 6:00 pm: Global Mission Formation Program
 - Program includes lunch and dinner
- Arrival day for Conference Attendees
- 6:00 pm – Optional dinner at Skilton Center for early arrivals
- 7:00 pm – Transportation from Skilton Center to Hampton Inn

Wednesday, April 3:

7:00 am Breakfast at Hotel

8:15 am Travel from Hotel to Skilton Conference Center

8:30 am: Conference Opens – Welcome – San José Church

The Rt. Rev. Moisés Quesada Mota, Bishop of Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana

The Rev. Canon Dr. Titus Presler, President of GEMN

The Rev. P. Augusto Sandino Sánchez, Rector of Misión San José

Introduction: The Rev. David Kendall-Sperry, GEMN

8:45 am Morning Prayer: The Rev. Sandino Sánchez at San José Church

9:30 am: First Plenary Session Keynote Speaker – 2nd Floor Skilton Center

The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers, Canon to the Presiding Bishop for Evangelism,

Reconciliation and Stewardship of Creation

Topic: “The Real Evangelism: Meeting and Sharing Jesus in Global Mission”

**Note on Small Groups – Small group discussions will take place in situ around the tables in the Skilton Center 2nd Floor, immediately following the keynote presentation.*

Following: Small Group Discussion with Q&A – 2nd Floor Skilton Center

12:00 noon: Noonday Prayer and Lunch – 2nd Floor Skilton Center

1:00-2:15 pm: Connection Building – Session 1– 2nd Floor Skilton Center

Global Mission Connection Introductions

Workshop Previews

2:15 pm: Break

**Note on Workshops – All workshops will be one hour, and some may be repeated. Please check the workshop schedule for information and locations.*

2:30-3:30 pm: Workshop Session I

3:30 pm: Break

3:45-4:45 pm: Workshop Session II

5:00-6:00 pm: Welcome Reception and Poster session – Skilton Center

6:00 pm: Dinner & Music – Skilton Center

Compline Service following dinner

~7:30 pm: Transportation to hotel

Conference Schedule (Cont.)

Thursday, April 4:

- 7:00 am Breakfast at Hotel
- 8:15 am Travel from Hotel to Skilton Conference Center
- 8:30 am:** Morning Prayer: The Rev. Sandino Sánchez at San José Church
- 9:00 am:** **Second Plenary Session Keynote Speaker – 2nd Floor Skilton Center**
The Rt. Rev. Griselda Delgado del Carpio, Bishop of Cuba
Topic: “: “CUBA: Dando testimonio del Evangelio y la presencia de Cristo”

****Note on Small Groups** – Small group discussions will take place in situ around the tables in the Skilton Center 2nd Floor, immediately following the keynote presentation.*

- Following:** **Small Group Discussion with Q&A – 2nd Floor Skilton Center**
- 11:30 am:** **Updates from Global Partnerships**
The Rev. David Copley, Dir. of Global Partnerships and Mission Personnel
- 12:00 noon: Noonday Prayer and Lunch – 2nd Floor Skilton Center
- 1:00-2:15 pm:** **GEMN Annual Meeting – 2nd Floor Skilton Center**
Global Mission Connections Session 2
Workshop Previews
- 2:15 pm: Break

****Note on Workshops** – All workshops will be one hour, and some may be repeated. Please check the workshop schedule for information and locations.*

- 2:30-3:30 pm:** **Workshop Session III**
- 3:30 pm: Break
- 3:45-4:45 pm:** **Workshop Session IV**
- 5:00-6:00 pm:** **Reception and Poster session – Skilton Center**
- 6:00 pm:** **Dinner & Music – Skilton Center**
Compline Service following dinner
- ~7:30 pm: Transportation to hotel

Notice of 2019 Global Episcopal Mission Network Annual Meeting:

The Board of Directors hereby gives notice of the annual general meeting of the Global Episcopal Mission Network which will take place on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the William Skilton Conference Center in Boca Chica, Dominican Republic. All are invited to attend.

Conference Schedule (Cont.)

Friday, April 5:

- 7:00 am Breakfast at Hotel
- 8:15 am Travel from Hotel to Skilton Conference Center
- 8:30 am: Third Plenary Session Panel Discussion – 2nd Floor Skilton Center**
The Rt. Rev. Griselda Delgado del Carpio, Bishop of Cuba
The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers, Canon to the Presiding Bishop for Evangelism, Reconciliation and Stewardship of Creation
The Rev. Anthony Guillén, Dir. of Ethnic Ministries
The Rt. Rev. William Skilton, retired Assistant Bishop of Dominican Republic
The Rt. Rev. Moisés Quezada Mota, Bishop of Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana
Topic: “Mutual Witness in Global Mission” Panel Discussion

**Note on Small Groups – Small group discussions will take place in situ around the tables in the Skilton Center 2nd Floor, immediately following the keynote presentation.*

10:30-11:15 am: Small Group Discussion with Q&A – 2nd Floor Skilton Center

11:30-12:45 pm: Holy Eucharist at San José Church

Celebrant/Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Moisés Quezada Mota, Bishop of Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana

1:00-1:45 pm: Lunch – Skilton Center

2:00-5:00 pm: Site Visits (2 sites TBD)

5:00-8:00 pm: Bexley Seabury Closing Reception / Dinner / Fiesta – Skilton Center

~8:00 pm: Transportation to hotel

Saturday, April 6: Departures

Keynote Speakers

The Rt. Rev. Griselda Delgado del Carpio was born in La Paz, Bolivia, to a respected patents lawyer and a loving homemaker. She attended the Universidad Mayor de San Andres in La Paz, graduating in 1981 with a degree in sociology. In 1982 Delgado moved to Cuba to enter the Evangelical Seminary of Theology in Matanzas.

Remaining in Cuba, she was ordained as a deacon in 1986. Shortly thereafter, she arrived at Itabo, a small town east of Havana with little acquaintance of Jesus Christ, and served at a church property with crumbling walls and no roof, known as Santa Maria Virgen. In 1991 Bishop Emilio Hernandez ordained her as an Episcopal priest in a ceremony that included three other women, the first four women priests of the Episcopal Church of Cuba. She continued at Santa Maria Virgen as Rector for the next 20 years, inspiring the community to strengthen their church, create a self-sustaining community system of ecological farms on and around the church, and build their relationships with each other and with God.

In 2010 Delgado was consecrated as bishop coadjutor for the Diocese of Cuba and was installed later that year on as diocesan bishop of the Episcopal Church of Cuba at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Havana. She became the first woman to serve as diocesan bishop of Cuba.

At the time of her ordination as bishop, the Cuban church included about 40 congregations and some 7,000 Episcopalians. "La Obispa," as she is affectionately known, is the proud mother of three now-grown children. She is married to Cuban-born Gerardo Logildes Coroas, a building contractor, who was recently ordained as an Episcopal priest and now serves as priest at the bishop's former parish in Itabo and as project supervisor of Camp Blankingship near Santa Clara, Cuba.



The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers is an Episcopal priest, author and popular speaker known for fueling radical welcome across the ecumenical spectrum. She serves as the Presiding Bishop's Canon for Evangelism and Reconciliation, spearheading Episcopal efforts to share the good news of God's inclusive love with new communities in new ways.

Canon Spellers was as an award-winning religion journalist in Knoxville, Tennessee, a job she took in 1996 upon graduation from Harvard Divinity School, where she studied religion and movements for social change. Prior to her current post, she worked for years at the intersection of practice and reflection. She taught and directed programs in mission and reconciliation at the General Theological Seminary in New York City, and directed new ministry initiatives for the Center for Progressive Renewal, an ecumenical consulting and resource group based in Atlanta. She is the author of *"Radical Welcome: Embracing God, The Other and the Spirit of Transformation"* and most recently co-authored (with Eric Law) *The Episcopal Way*, the first volume in the new Church's Teachings for a Changing World series.

Spellers has served as chaplain to the Episcopal Church's House of Bishops, co-chair of the Standing Commission on Mission and Evangelism, chief architect for the legislation that birthed Mission Enterprise Zones, and founder of the influential emergent ministry The Crossing at St. Paul's Cathedral (www.thecrossingboston.org). While she is happy to call New York City home today, she remains close to her large extended family in her hometown of Frankfort, Kentucky. She meets God especially when she's celebrating Eucharist, dancing and singing, meeting new people and building bridges.

Speakers and Panelists

The Rt. Rev. Moisés Quezada Mota was ordained Bishop Diocesan of the Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana in November 2016. As the third Dominican bishop to lead the Episcopal Church in the Dominican Republic, he succeeded Bishop Julio César Holguín (1991-2017), Bishop. Telésforo Isaac (1972-1991), who was the first Dominican bishop, and Bishop Paul Axtell Kellogg (1960–1972), the first resident bishop.

Bishop Quezada was born in La Romana and was ordained in 1982 and presbyter in 1983. He has studied in the Dominican Republic, Barbados, Puerto Rico and the United States. He served as vicar and rector of schools in different churches nationwide, and for some 20 years he has taught at the Diocesan Seminary of the Episcopal Church. He was provincial coordinator for Latin America and the Caribbean, magazine editor, columnist of the newspaper "Episcopax" and director of radio programs of the Episcopal Church.



The Rev. Canon Anthony Guillén has been the Missioner for Latino/Hispanic Ministries as part of the Presiding Bishop's staff since 2005 and Director of Ethnic Ministries since 2015. As Missioner, Guillén developed the Episcopal Church's Strategic Vision for Reaching Latinos/Hispanics which was adopted at General Convention in 2009. This Strategic Vision challenged the church to rethink the dynamics of ministering to today's Latino/Hispanic communities, two-thirds of whom are American-born Latinos characterized as multi-generational, English-dominant and bicultural.

Guillén has previously served the church at two parishes in the Diocese of Los Angeles. In his early years in ministry he served as a youth minister for 12 years before a 4-year period as a missionary in the Diocese of Western Mexico where he planted two missions, worked as diocesan youth coordinator and directed an earthquake relief program.

In the Diocese of Los Angeles, he was a member of the Standing Committee, the diocesan representative on the Hispanic Network of Province VIII, elected as an alternate Deputy to General Convention in 1997 and then as deputy to the General Convention in 2000 and 2003. At General Convention in 2000, Guillén was elected to a 6-year term on the Executive Council. As a member of Executive Council he co-chaired the Book of Occasional Services Committee 2000-2003; served on the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music; the 20/20 Task Force and was honored by Council for his role in the establishment of the position of the Coordinator of Translation Services at the Church Center.

Guillén is committed to raising and equipping a large network of "digital disciples" that together can spread the Gospel and introduce people to the Episcopal Church. Guillén and the Office of Latino/Hispanic Ministries yearn for a church that embodies the multiethnic, multilingual and multicultural context we live in today. The vision is to make the Episcopal Church known to Latino/Hispanic communities that they may experience our church and embrace it as their spiritual home.

Speakers and Panelists (cont.)



The Rt. Rev. William J. Skilton was born in Cuba and served two periods as a missionary in the Dominican Republic. As a pastor and educator, 1965-72, he founded the high school, Liceo Episcopal Todos los Santos, which continues today. Later, 1985-88, he was vicar of Epiphany Episcopal Church in Santo Domingo, pastor of the Union Church of Santo Domingo, Chaplain to the Convent of the Order of the Transfiguration, and Chaplain the Center of Theological Studies (CET). A graduate of the Citadel and the University of the South School of Theology, he is retired suffragan bishop of South Carolina and retired assistant bishop of Dominican Republic. He served as chair of the Standing Commission on World Mission, convener of the joint Covenant Committee of the Episcopal Church USA and the Anglican Province of Central America (IARCA), chair of the Board of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge (SPCK), and international and Province IV chaplain of the Daughters of the King. The Diocese of the

Dominican Republic named its conference center in Boca Chica, site of this year's Global Mission Conference, in his honor, and he is accompanied at this conference by his wife Debbe.

The Rev. David Copley is the Director of Global Partnerships and Mission Personnel for The Episcopal Church, where he oversees the training, deployment and support of mission personnel as well as developing and nurturing relationships with Anglican, interreligious and organizational partners.

Copley, a native of Nottingham, England, began his career as a pediatric nurse in 1981. He traveled to Liberia in 1991 as an emergency medical relief worker with GOAL (Ireland) and UNICEF. Initially, he worked in the rebel-held region of Capemount County where he worked to re-establish 13 rural health clinics, before the war drove out all health workers from this area. He later helped with vaccination campaigns in Buchanan and initiated a health education program with UNICEF in Monrovia. It was during his time in Liberia that his faith was renewed and where he met his future wife, Susan.



The Copleys served as appointed missionaries in Bolivia for four years, working initially with Amistad Mission, an orphanage in Cochabamba, where they helped to nurture the spiritual lives of the children and coordinated short-term mission trips from the US. They later served as lay leaders of a small Anglican house church, La Trinidad, and became involved in prison, youth, and rural development ministries.

On receiving a call to ordination, the Copleys returned to the US in 2000 to attend Virginia Theological Seminary. After completing their studies in 2003, they were appointed as assistant rectors at St. John's Episcopal Church in Hampton, Virginia.

Our Conference Hosts

Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana/Episcopal Church of the Dominican Republic



Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana is a vibrant diocese of the Anglican Communion, covering all of the Dominican Republic, a member of the Episcopal Church USA and part of Province IX. Bishop Quezada has said it is “a Church moved by the Holy Spirit...” The Dominican church over the past decades has had a strong evangelistic, outreach and social justice focus, becoming one of the fastest-growing dioceses in the Episcopal Church. Its mission program includes schools, technical programs, children's shelters, a home for the aged, clinics, a microcredit program, community social development initiatives, an immigration program, and disaster assistance.

Historically, Benjamin Isaac Wilson, a layperson and later an Anglican priest, brought Anglicanism from the Virgin Islands to the Dominican Republic in 1897, founding Holy Trinity Church in San Pedro de Macoris. The USA-based Episcopal Church began missionary work in the Dominican Republic when the country was occupied by the Marine Corps in 1916. It became an autonomous Episcopal diocese, Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana, on January 1, 1986.

Currently, the diocese is comprised of about 73 churches or missions in all areas of the country, with the number growing steadily as churches are built and consecrated; four new churches were completed and consecrated in 2018 alone. There are approximately 65 active clergy, including permanent deacons, with the Center for Theological Education (CET) in Santo Domingo educating the next generation of seminarians from the Dominican Republic, Haiti, and around the region. <https://iglepidom.org>

The Dominican Development Group

The Dominican Development Group (DDG), a non-profit organization within the Episcopal Church, assists the Episcopal Diocese of the Dominican Republic with project planning,



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program development, and construction expertise; raises funds for the diocesan endowment; and coordinates the schedules and the work projects of mission teams from the United States working in the Diocese of the Dominican Republic. It supports the priorities of the Dominican church through providing technical help and resources and the support of Companion Diocese Relationships. The DDG works closely with the Episcopal dioceses that have companion relationships with the Dominican church: Central Gulf Coast, Eastern Michigan, Georgia, Michigan, Nebraska, NW Texas, South Carolina, SE Florida, SW Florida, Western Louisiana, and



Western Michigan. The DDG also helps to coordinate the work of other organizations that support mission teams and other projects in the Episcopal Diocese of the Dominican Republic. The DDG is a Mission Organization Member of the Global Episcopal Mission Network and has generously provided the **DDG & Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana Welcome Reception** on Wednesday. Visit them at www.dominicandevlopmentgroup.org.

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The **Bexley Seabury St. Marina Scholarship** program is now available at to qualified students at the seminary. The scholarship may be awarded to an entering first-year Master of Divinity student who identifies as LGBTQ and who demonstrates a strong commitment to pursuing justice ministry as an ordained person in the Episcopal Church. The scholarship is intended to cover tuition, books, travel and other costs associated with the pursuit of the Master of Divinity degree. One three-year scholarship will be awarded to students who commence study in each of three academic years, 2017–2018 through 2020. Please contact Jaime Briceño, Recruiter and Digital Missioner at jbriceno@bexleyseabury.edu for more information.



EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF ALABAMA



The Diocese of Alabama is part of the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement! The diocese is a diverse community of people unified and transformed by the love of God in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to share that transformational love with the world. GEMN enjoyed an excellent conference in the Diocese of Alabama's beautiful Camp McDowell in 2017. You are invited to learn more about the rich and remarkable shared ministry across the Diocese of Alabama at www.dioala.org. The Diocese of Alabama has generously provided our breaks and coffee during the conference.

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The Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT) is the oldest organized diocese in in the United States. It formally began with the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Samuel Seabury as Bishop of Connecticut on November 14, 1784 in Aberdeen, Scotland. Bishop Seabury convened the first Clergy Convocation the following year in Middletown, Connecticut. The Episcopal Church in Connecticut has been a leader in The Episcopal Church and in the state of Connecticut for many years, championing worldwide mission, social justice, ecumenical collaboration, the contributions of youth and laymen, civil rights and education.

We are home to about 60,000 people in 168 parishes. Together, we are a community devoted to participating in and understanding our roles within God's mission. Wherever you are on your faith journey, we invite you to learn more about us, to worship with us, and to join us! Visit us at www.episcopalct.org.

The ECCT is a 2019 Changemaker Member of GEMN, and the Thursday evening **Episcopal Church in Connecticut Reception and Fiesta** is provided through their generosity.



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THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN MIDDLE & NORTH GEORGIA

The Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta is comprised of 110 Episcopal worshipping communities throughout Middle and North Georgia with some 56,000 members. We are the ninth largest of the 110 dioceses of The Episcopal Church. We are a Christian community blessed with vibrancy and variety. Our diocesan bishop is the Rt. Rev. Robert C. Wright, who was ordained and consecrated on October 13, 2012. The Rt. Rev. Keith B. Whitmore has served as assistant bishop since April 2008, and the Rt. Rev. Don A. Wimberly joined the bishop visitation schedule in 2014.

The Diocese of Atlanta was created in 1907 from the Diocese of Georgia. Our parishes thrive in the metropolitan areas of Atlanta, Columbus and Macon, as well as in smaller cities, towns and rural communities in the mountains of North Georgia and the lower elevations of Middle Georgia. The oldest church in the diocese is Christ Church in Macon, which was organized in 1825. The newest parish is St. Benedict's in Smyrna, established in 2008. We engage in special companion relationships with several dioceses, in Africa and South America.

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General Information

Conference Location:

This year's GEMN Global Mission Conference will be hosted at:

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Located in the Andrés neighborhood of Boca Chica, approximately ten minutes east of Santo Domingo's Las Américas International Airport (SDQ), the Skilton Conference Center (or Centro de Conferencias Obispo Skilton), is conveniently located for easy transportation. The recently-built facility is comprised of two floors, has a commercial kitchen, dining facilities, and large meeting spaces. It is located across the street from San José Episcopal Church and K-12 school. Next door is the Bishop Isaac nursing home. To see the location of this conference center, [click here](#). Note: Facilities in the Dominican Republic are not ADA-compliant. If you have mobility issues, please contact us at gemn@gemn.org to discuss your needs.



This facility, which provides daily lunches for the students attending the Episcopal School San José across the street, has been an instrumental part of lifting this area of Boca Chica out of poverty. The school is a flagship learning center known for its excellence in academics and English instruction, a key skill for students entering higher education and the job market. Also across the street is the beautiful San José Church, where conference attendees will gather for worship, as well as the Bishop Isaac nursing home, a mission of the church to care for the elderly in a safe and nurturing setting.

The Dominican Republic

The Dominican Republic is a safe, welcoming, friendly country that is a magnet for tropical vacationers and those fascinated by its diverse culture and history, rhythmic music and delicious food. The walled, cobblestoned Zona Colonial in nearby Santo Domingo is a World Heritage Site, containing buildings that date to the 1500s, including the Cathedral of Santa María la Menor, the first built in the New World. We highly recommend that you give some thought to tying in a few days of touring or a visit to a beach resort before or after the conference.

Travel Notes:

- Travelers on US passports will not require a visa. A tourist card is included in the cost of your airfare (\$10).
- The currency is the Dominican peso. US dollars are often accepted, as are credit cards, but it may be wise to exchange a small amount of money for tips, souvenirs, snacks, etc.
- Spanish is the national language; however, English is fairly widely spoken, particularly in touristed areas. The plenaries of the conference will include simultaneous English/Spanish translation throughout. Workshop leaders will have a co-translator as needed.
- The climate is warm and humid year-round, with April temperatures averaging around 86°F. Conference attendees should plan to dress informally with light, loose clothing.
- Only bottled water should be consumed, as a precaution, and will be available throughout the conference.
- Plan for the possibility of rain. It is not unusual to have a brief, but heavy, tropical shower once each day.
- In addition, plan for sun, and bring good sun protection, sunglasses, and perhaps a hat.

Recommended Accommodations:

Conference accommodations are available at the **Hampton by Hilton Santo Domingo Airport Hotel**, located at Avenida Las Américas, Km 27, Santo Domingo 11336, Dominican Republic. Phone: +1 809-375-4000. English and Spanish are spoken. We recommend this hotel due to its proximity to both the airport and the conference center, and for its 24-hour airport shuttle.

Hampton by Hilton Santo Domingo Airport Hotel:

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Website: <https://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/dominican-republic/hampton-by-hilton-santo-domingo-airport-SDQAPHX/index.html>

Hampton by Hilton Santo Domingo Airport Hotel is located approximately 3 miles from Santo Domingo's Las Americas International Airport (SDQ). Free airport shuttle is available. The rooms feature air conditioning, LCD flat-screen TV, high-speed internet, coffee maker, iron with ironing board and free in-room movie channel. Enjoy free WiFi access, free hot breakfast, two complementary bottles of water per day, free coffee and tea in the lobby 24 hours a day and 24-hour front desk message and fax service. There's also a casual restaurant and bar. Additional amenities include a multilingual staff, foreign currency exchange, fitness center, a pool and a business center. These basic rates are exclusive of room tax:

Single RATE: \$75/night	Double RATE: \$80/night
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To reserve, **please contact the hotel directly via email** at:

- sales1.hampton@ddphotels.do or
- reservations.hampton@ddphotels.do

Please specify the following information in the email (email may be written in English):

- Guest name(s)
- Desired room type (single or double)
- Arrival and departure dates
- Credit card number and expiration date to hold the reservation.
- **When making reservations at the hotel, state that you are part of the group: "GEMN Conference", to obtain the discounted rate.**

Discount rates are available until March 29th, subject to room availability. If you plan to share a room, please specify the number of beds at the time of booking, as well as your roommate's name(s). If you would like help with finding a roommate, GEMN will be maintaining a list of those who would like to share a room.

Transportation:

Flights:

Conference attendees who require flights are encouraged to arrive and depart from Santo Domingo's Las Americas International Airport (SDQ), the closest airport. **Those attending the Formation Program should arrive on Monday, April 1st in order to attend the full session beginning at 8am on Tuesday, April 2nd.**

Transportation between Airport and Hampton by Hilton Santo Domingo Airport Hotel:

GEMN will make every attempt to greet you at the airport, if we have your flight information. Attendees staying at the Hampton by Hilton Santo Domingo Airport Hotel should also give their flight information to the hotel (email: reservations.hampton@ddphotels.do) in order to coordinate with them for pickup and drop-off. Attendees will be directed by the GEMN greeters to the shuttle stop. In the event that you are not met by a GEMN greeter, you should contact the hotel directly to make use of their complimentary airport shuttle. The shuttle operates 24 hours a day.

Transportation between Hotel and Skilton Conference Center:

GEMN will provide van service between the Hampton by Hilton Santo Domingo Airport Hotel and the site of the conference. A van, provided by the Diocese of the Dominican Republic, will take attendees from the hotel to the Skilton Conference Center each day in the morning and return attendees to the hotel in the evening. Please refer to the conference schedule for more information.

Transportation between the Airport and Skilton Conference Center:

GEMN will have a van available, in the event that you need transportation between the airport and the Skilton Conference Center directly. Please coordinate transportation requests with Bill Kunkle (tuulguy@aol.com).

Parking:

Hampton by Hilton Santo Domingo Airport Hotel has complimentary on-site parking. Limited on-street parking is also available at the Skilton Conference Center. If you will be parking at the Conference Center, please coordinate this with Bill Kunkle (tuulguy@aol.com).

Exhibits and Posters:

Tell us your mission story on a poster. Bring global crafts to share or sell. Bring mission-related materials and handouts for your ministry or mission organization. There will be time to share and display tables available (no charge for conference attendees; \$35 per display for non-attendees) during one or more of our evening events. Contact Karen Hotte for more information and to reserve exhibit space: gemn@gemn.org.

General Conference Questions:

Karen Hotte, Executive Director, gemn@gemn.org

Global Mission Education

Formation Program for Global Mission Agents:

Our flagship GEMN Formation Program consists of two full-day sessions over a two-year period, held in conjunction with our annual GEMN Global Mission Conference. In addition to attending two Global Mission Conferences, students will explore mission theology, history, discernment, short-term mission themes, and project development. Participants are required to complete reading, fieldwork assignments, and a mission report, receiving certification as Global Mission Agents upon completion of the program. See our [GEMN Formation Program Page](#) for more information. The Formation Program will be held this year on Tuesday, Apr 2nd from 8am to 6pm, prior to the start of the conference. Program Fee: \$85.

You can register for the Formation Program at the time of your conference registration. See www.gemn.org/2019-conference to register. For information on the program, visit our [GEMN Formation Program Page](#) or contact us at gemn@gemn.org with any questions.

2019 GEMN Global Mission Conference

April 3-5, 2019

Centro de Conferencias Obispo William J. Skilton, Boca Chica, DR

“Sharing Jesus: Mutual Witness in Global Mission”

“Compartiendo a Jesús: Testigo mutuo en la Misión Global”

Please Note: Each participant will receive lunches, snacks and dinner, three plenary sessions, choices of workshops on various mission themes, a daily small group experience, daily worship, display tables on global mission topics, and many networking opportunities among those who are passionate about mission. ***Fees do not include hotel or flights.*** All conference fees must be received by March 25, 2019 in order to complete registration. ***Those attending the Formation Program beginning on Tuesday morning should arrive on Monday, April 1st.*** Registration closes on March 25, 2019.

Conference Fees

Includes: Lunches, Snacks, Dinners, All Materials & Activities

Wed, April 3, 7:30 am – Fri, April 5, 8:00 pm

Early Bird Rates (Until February 22, 2019)

Conference Fee - Early Bird Member* Rate (Before Feb 22):	\$295 p/p
Conference Fee – Early Bird Non-Member Rate: (Before Feb 22):	\$330 p/p
Local Attendee Fee (Dominican residents) – Per person/per day:	\$20 p/p

Regular Rates (After February 22, 2019)

Conference Fee - Regular Member* Rate (After Feb 22):	\$335 p/p
Conference Fee – Regular Non-Member Rate: (After Feb 22):	\$370 p/p
Local Attendee Fee (Dominican residents) – Per person/per day:	\$20 p/p

****GEMN Members include: Any 2019 Individual Member, or the Designated Representative(s) of any 2019 GEMN Member Diocese, Seminary, Church, or Mission Organization.***

Special Programs and Rates

Global Mission Formation Program

Tue, April 2, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

(Includes Tuesday lunch, dinner, and all materials)

Formation Program Fee:	\$85 p/p
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Optional Add-on Items

Optional Tuesday Dinner (Apr 2) at Skilton Center:	\$8 p/p
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Transportation will be provided.

Scholarships for Local Attendees:	\$60
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