



2015 GEMN Global Mission Conference

“Proclaiming God’s Peace Through Mission”

May 6-8, 2015

Atlanta, GA

General Information

Conference Location:

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

All Saints’ Episcopal Church
634 W Peachtree St NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30308
www.allsaintsatlanta.org

All Saints’ is a beautiful, historic church with spacious grounds and buildings and is located in midtown Atlanta, steps from the North Avenue MARTA subway station.



Rooms:

Conference accommodations at special discounted rates have been contracted with the Crowne Plaza Atlanta Midtown, a two-minute walk from All Saints’ Church and from the North Avenue MARTA transit station. For accommodations, **please contact the hotel directly** at:

Crowne Plaza Atlanta Midtown (formerly Melia)
590 West Peachtree Street NW
Atlanta, GA 30308
Hotel Reservations: **1-404-877-9000**

Crowne Plaza Atlanta combines deluxe accommodations; free WiFi; premium channels and pay movies; in-room coffee/tea maker; premium bedding; designer toiletries and hair dryer. Check-in time is 3 pm; Check-out time is 12:00 pm. The hotel is pleased to confirm the following special rates for the conference:

Single: \$ 129 RATE	Double: \$129 RATE	Triple: \$ 149 RATE	Quad: \$ 169 RATE
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Group rates will be made available three days pre- and three days post-conference based upon hotel availability. All room rates are exclusive of appropriate state and local taxes, currently 16%.

Please contact the Crowne Plaza Atlanta Midtown directly at 1-404-877-9000 and request the group rate for Global Episcopal Mission Conference or GEMN. 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. Contact us at gemn@gemn.org for more information or if you would like assistance with your reservation. See the hotel web page for more information on rooms and hotel amenities:

<http://www.ihg.com/crowneplaza/hotels/us/en/atlanta/atlpw/hoteldetail>.



Transportation:

Public Transportation: Transportation to and from the Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport is via the Gold or Red Line of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority or MARTA, to the North Avenue stop (N3). Fare from the airport is \$2.50 one way. From the Airport station to the North Avenue Station is approximately 18 minutes one way. After arriving at the North Avenue Station, follow the signs to North Avenue. All Saints' Church is directly across the street. To find the Crowne Plaza Hotel, locate the white marble building; the front of the hotel is behind it and to the left.

All Saints' Parking:

All Saints' has a parking deck available for those attending worship services or events at All Saints'. The upper parking deck is accessible from West Peachtree and Ponce de Leon Ave, through the small parking lot on the corner of Ponce and W Peachtree. The lower parking deck is accessible from Spring Street (across the street from The Varsity.)

Accessible Parking:

There are designated disabled parking spaces along West Peachtree Street in front of the church, as well as several in the upper level of the parking deck.

Hotel Parking:

Self parking is available at a special rate of \$15.00 with no in/out privileges. The self parking garage is located behind the hotel. Entrance is on Spring Street. Valet parking is available at a special rate of \$30.00 with in and out privileges.

Conference Registration:

Online registration is encouraged and is available at www.gemn.org. Payment may be made by credit card or by check, made payable to GEMN. Checks may be mailed to Global Episcopal Mission Network, P.O. Box 1434, Dublin, OH 43017-4024. Payment must be received by April 25, 2015 to complete registration.

Formation Program:

Individuals participating in the Formation Program will need to be at All Saints' Church by 9:00 am on Tuesday, May 5th. If you are planning to participate in the Formation Program and do not live locally, you will need to plan to arrive on Monday, May 4th. This additional night (for non-commuters) should be booked directly with the hotel. Participants in the program are expected to attend all plenary sessions. The fee covers the cost of books and other materials, as well as lunch on Tuesday, May 5th, during the program. Please see www.gemn.org/pages/formation.html for more information on the Formation Program.

Train the Trainer Program:

Individuals participating in the Train the Trainer Program will need to be at All Saints' Church by 3:00 pm on Tuesday, May 5th. If you are planning to participate in the Train the Trainer Program and do not live locally, you will need to plan to arrive by early in the day on Tuesday. Participants in the program are expected to attend all plenary sessions. The fee covers the cost of books and other materials during the program. Group members may wish to gather for dinner together immediately after the program. Please note that dinner is not included in the program cost.

Please see www.gemn.org website for more information on the Train the Trainer Program.



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 at no charge during our Wednesday evening reception at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Contact Karen Hotte for more information and to reserve exhibit space:

gemn@gemn.org.

Sightseeing in Atlanta:

“In Atlanta, fine dining, shopping and rich history combine with inspiration-inducing attractions to create a city with Southern charm and world-class sophistication. It’s easy to see why Atlanta, GA is one of the most popular destinations in the Southeast to live and to visit.” Atlanta.net.

If you have some extra time, this is a great opportunity to see the sights of this dynamic and energetic city with a Southern flair. Home of the Martin Luther King Center, Georgia Aquarium, Georgia Dome, World of Coca Cola, the Atlanta History Center, FOX Theatre, Turner Field, Centennial Olympic Park, the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, the College Football Hall of Fame, Stone Mountain, and more, Atlanta is well worth exploring and spending an extra few days. The Crowne Plaza Atlanta Midtown is centrally located just a short walk from The Varsity, Mary Mac’s, and the Fox Theatre and two minutes from the North Street MARTA Station.



Martin Luther King's childhood home. Photo: Wikipedia.

Transportation in the city is fast and easy to use. Some good sites to check for more information are: travel.usnews.com/Atlanta_GA/Things_To_Do, www.planetware.com/tourist-attractions-/atlanta-us-ga-a.htm, and www.atlanta.net/travel-tours/itineraries/must-see-atlanta. For a good map of the city, with suggested sites to visit, check this link: www.gemn.org/documents/Atlanta-Map.pdf



From top to bottom left to right: Atlanta skyline seen from Buckhead, the Fox Theatre, the Georgia State Capitol, Centennial Olympic Park, Millennium Gate, the Canopy Walk, the Georgia Aquarium, The Phoenix statue, and the Midtown skyline. Photo: Wikipedia.

General Conference Questions:

Karen Hotte, Executive Director, gemn@gemn.org



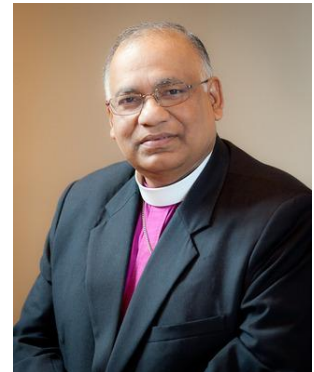
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Keynote Speakers



The Rt. Rev. Gayle Harris, Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of Massachusetts, where she is also vice president of Episcopal City Mission, and president of the Massachusetts Council of Churches. A native of Cleveland, she was ordained to the priesthood in 1982 in the Diocese of Newark and consecrated bishop in January 2003 at Trinity Church in Boston. Bishop Harris has a long history of ministry in social and economic justice. She has a strong relationship with the Diocese of Jerusalem and has led numerous diocesan pilgrimages to Israel and Palestine, where group members learn about the realities of our Anglican brothers and sisters living in the occupied Palestinian Territories. She has been a powerful advocate and model for global reconciliation, women's ordination, and social justice throughout the Anglican Communion.

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama. Bishop Marray has served five dioceses (Guyana, Bahamas, Florida, Seychelles and East Carolina) including three provinces of the Anglican Communion (West Indies, The Episcopal Church and Indian Ocean). He was elected Bishop of Seychelles while serving as rector, St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Jacksonville, Florida, and consecrated on April 4, 2005. A convert from Hinduism, he has the distinction of being the first West Indian of East Indian ancestry to be elected and consecrated bishop in the Anglican Communion, and to serve as bishop in the eastern and western hemispheres. He has used his gift for teaching and pastoral care to nurture and care for many in the faith across ecumenical boundaries. With a global perspective, he is a strong advocate for the gospel of reconciliation and God's love and salvation for all persons. Bishop Marray expresses a passion for global mission and the power of mission to transform our lives.



Canon Dr. Titus Presler, pastor, scholar, former missionary to Zimbabwe and Principal-in-exile of Edwardes College in Peshawar, Pakistan, where Dr. Presler has built interfaith community amid Taliban violence. After being assaulted earlier this year in a government takeover bid, Dr. Presler has been in exile while the Church of Pakistan seeks to regularize the situation. Dr. Presler is former President of the Seminary of the Southwest and a missiologist specializing in mission theology, missionary identity, and gospel-culture interactions. Dr. Presler's most recent book is *Going Global with God: Reconciling Mission in a World of Difference*. In addition to numerous articles, he is also author of *Transfigured Night: Mission and Culture in Zimbabwe's Vigil Movement* and the widely used mission overview, *Horizons of Mission*. He chaired the Episcopal Church's Standing Commission on World

Mission and coordinated its 21st-century vision statement, *Companions in Transformation*. He has taught at Episcopal Divinity School and Harvard Divinity School and was academic dean at General Theological Seminary.



2015 GEMN Global Mission Conference Fees

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Please Note: Each participant will receive meals, three plenary sessions, choices of workshops, a site visit to the Martin Luther King Center for Nonviolent Social Change, a daily small group experience, daily worship opportunities, display tables on global mission topics, and many networking opportunities among those who are passionate about mission. **Fees do not include hotel, flights or airport transfers.** All conference fees must be received by April 25, 2015 in order to complete registration.

Conference Fees

Includes: Meals, All Materials & Activities, and Visit to King Center

Wed, May 6, 8:00 am – Fri, May 8, 3:00 pm

Conference Fee - Early Bird Rate (Before March 15):	\$395 p/p
Conference Fee - Standard Rate:	\$425 p/p
Two-Day Fee – Incl. all Meals & Activities (\$295 before 3/15) :	\$325 p/p
One-Day Fee – Incl. all Meals & Activities (\$160 before 3/15):	\$185 p/p

Special Programs and Rates

Global Mission Formation Program

Tue, May 5, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

(Includes lunch during program and all materials)

Formation Program Fee: \$65 p/p

Train the Trainer Program

Tue, May 5, 3:00 – 6:00 pm

(Open to graduates of the Formation Program; Includes all materials)

Train the Trainer Program Fee: \$50 p/p

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