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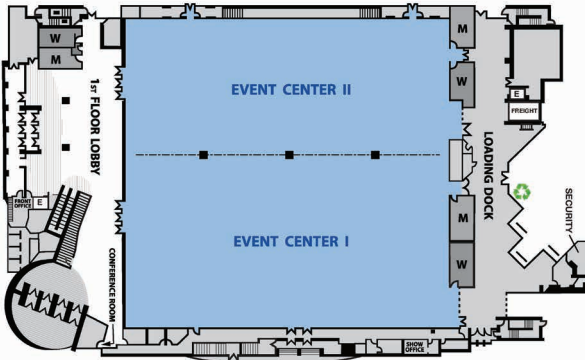
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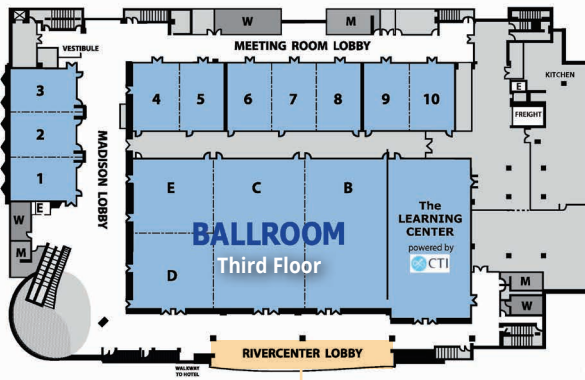
Workshop Schedule



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First Floor Lobby

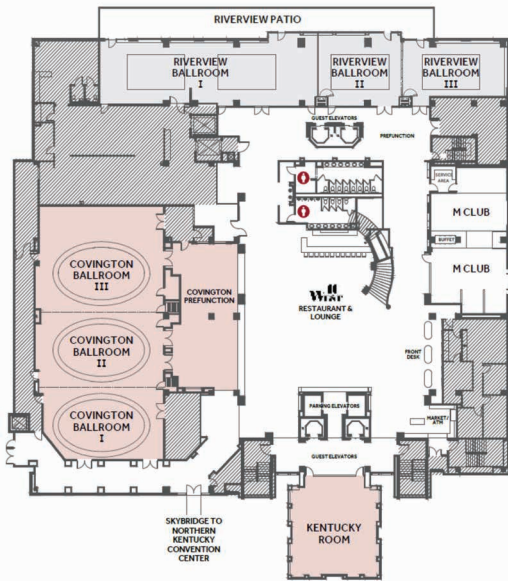


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for GC Ministries

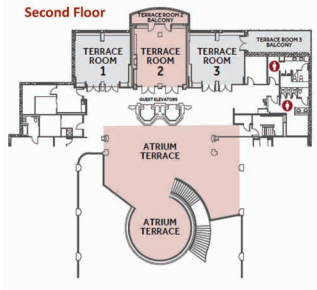
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Workshop Schedule

Workshops are at the Convention Center (third floor) unless noted otherwise.

Tuesday

2:00 - 3:15 p.m. - **Session 1**

Room

- 1 Church Finance Q & A - English with Spanish translation (Wayman)
- 2 Cultivating a Culture of Missions - Spanish (Rousseau)
- 3 Intro to Evangelism and Discipleship Training - English (Vlad/Zaragoza)
- 4 Your Personal Testimony - Spanish with English translation (Betances)
(with translation transmitters)

Covington Ballroom 1 (Marriot)

Anxiety and Depression: What Can I Do? - English (Lozano)

Ballroom B

Choir (Fischer/Kuryluk)

3:30 - 4:45 p.m. - **Session 2**

Room

- 1 Family Groups for Church Growth - Spanish (Ruiz)
- 2 Robert's Rules of Order - English (Idemmili)
- 3 Cultivating a Culture of Missions - English (Cleeton)
- 4 The Word in Babylon - English with Spanish translation (Overman)
(with translation transmitters)

Covington Ballroom 1 (Marriot)

Welcoming Church "Mission Possible" - English (Capetillo)

Wednesday

2:00 - 3:15 p.m. - **Session 1**

Room

- 1 Branding: The Need to Protect Your Reputation - English (McCoy)
- 2 The Word in Babylon - English (Overman)
- 3 Family Groups for Church Growth - English (Flores)

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- 4** Robert's Rules of Order - English with Spanish translation (Idemmili)
(with translation transmitters)

Covington Ballroom 1 (Marriot)
Anxiety and Depression: What Can I Do? - Spanish (Lozano)

Ballroom B
Choir (Fischer/Kuryluk)

3:30 - 4:45 p.m. - **Session 2**

Room

- 1** My First Walk With Jesus - English (Stephens/Cleeton/Hrenyk)
- 2** Managing the Communication Jungle - English (Teran)
- 3** The Mobilized Church - Spanish (Rousseau)
- 4** The Equipping Mission of the Church - English with Spanish translation (Franks)
(with translation transmitters)

Covington Ballroom 1 (Marriot)
Welcoming Church "Mission Possible" - Spanish (Capetillo)

Thursday

2:00 - 3:15 p.m. - **Session 1**

Room

- 1** Forming Helping Teams in Our Congregations - English (Scott)
- 2** The Mobilized Church - English (Cleeton)
- 3** Managing the Communication Jungle - Spanish (Teran)
- 4** Intro to Evangelism and Discipleship Training - English with Spanish translation (Vlad/Zaragoza)
(with translation transmitters)

Covington Ballroom 1 (Marriot)
Enhancing the Sabbath School Experience - English with Spanish translation (Rose/Panel)

Ballroom B
Choir (Fischer/Kuryluk)

3:30 - 4:45 p.m. - **Session 2**

Event Center 1 (First Floor)
The Relevance of Genesis and the Christian Worldview - English (Ken Ham)

Workshop Descriptions

Tuesday • 2:00 - 3:15 p.m.

Church Finance Q & A - English with live Spanish translation

Dawn Wayman

Convention Center - Room 1 (Third Floor)

An informal meeting of district and church treasurers to review church finances, reporting, and procedures — to ask questions and share ideas. Designed for anyone responsible for their church's accounting or interested in the ministry of church finance.

Cultivating a Culture of Missions in Your Church - Spanish

Ronald Rousseau

Convention Center - Room 2 (Third Floor)

This seminar is designed for missions committees, pastors, and elders who lead their congregations in missions and want to educate them in bringing new or deeper participation in their church's missions efforts. This workshop will help participants discern the next steps in creating a rich culture of missions at their church.

Introduction to Evangelism and Discipleship Training - English

Mike Vlad/Larry Zaragoza

Convention Center - Room 3 (Third Floor)

This workshop is an introduction to the ongoing Evangelism and Discipleship Training on behalf of the General Conference. Attendees will learn what relational evangelism is and how it works. They will hear an overview of how to invite people to “come and see” who Jesus is and invite them to accept Christ as their personal Savior. Attendees will also be given an overview of what mentoring and discipleship are all about and the importance of developing a mentoring and discipleship ministry in the Church of God (Seventh Day).

Your Personal Testimony - Spanish with English translation

Narciso Betances

Convention Center - Room 4 (Third Floor)

Since personal experiences and circumstances are unique, our en-

gagement in witness should focus on sharing four major Christ-centered pillars: our life before Christ, our conversion, our life after our conversion (what Christ has done here and now), and our life's impact on others because of our conversion.

Anxiety and Depression: What Can I Do? - English

Minister David Lozano LPCC

Marriott - Covington Ballroom 1

Anxiety and depression will lead to holiness! How? In this workshop, attendees will learn how to identify what triggers an episode of anxiety or depression, how it looks in their lives, and what they can do about it. They will learn that there is an ultimate solution in the Word of God: "Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26, NIV). Come and see how the powerful Word of God will help you carry the unbearable load of anxiety and depression.

Convention Choir

Jim Fischer/Gordon Kuryluk

Convention Center - Ballroom B (Third Floor)

The General Conference choir is open to anyone who wishes to practice, then perform on Sabbath. A practice and performance schedule will be available at the convention.

Tuesday • 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.

Family Groups for Church Growth - Spanish

Ramon Ruiz

Convention Center - Room 1 (Third Floor)

This workshop is a valuable evangelistic tool to help local congregations fulfill the Great Commission that Jesus entrusted to His church. It will define the Family Group System, its purpose, its benefits, and how to start a group. This workshop will also address the role of the pastor in family groups, as well as group leaders, hosts, and members. Small groups are one of the best ways to involve all members in the five purposes of the church: evangelism, discipleship, worship, fellowship, and service.

Robert's Rules of Order - English

Christopher Idemmili

Convention Center - Room 2 (Third Floor)

What do the Scriptures say about the business of the church? What are Robert's Rules, and why do we use them? From local meetings to board meetings to convention, this workshop will cover some basic principles of church business from a biblical perspective.

Cultivating a Culture of Missions in Your Church - English

Bryan Cleeton

Convention Center - Room 3 (Third Floor)

See description on page 4.

The Word in Babylon - English with Spanish translation

Jason Overman

Convention Center - Room 4 (Third Floor)

It turns out that the Information Age has not left us very informed.

Instead we are neck-deep in media, and our heads are swimming.

Words multiply, but not wisdom; voices grow louder, but not clearer. Fear, suspicion, and confusion reign. Welcome to Babylon!

BA Editor Jason Overman invites you to participate in a wide-ranging discussion about our role as Christian communicators in a confused world, the importance of our words, and the power of His Word. In this workshop, you will learn more about the mission of the *Bible Advocate* and how to communicate to our world in a Christ-centered and Bible-based way.

Welcoming Church 'Mission Possible' - English

Moises Capetillo/Pedro Capetillo, Jr.

Marriott - Covington Ballroom 1

Come and see how being a welcoming church is vital for our visitors and congregants. Learn how the Welcoming Church *mission* can be *possible* in your church.

Applying the biblical concept of being hospitable has far-reaching implications. How we welcome God's guests to God's house can be the reason people are open to the gospel. Join us in this interactive and eye-opening workshop that will take attendees through the guests' journey, using multiple phases of a church experience in a systematic approach. This workshop is complementary to the "The Art of Being a Welcoming Church" presentations.

Wednesday • 2:00 - 3:15 p.m.

Branding: The Need to Protect Your Reputation - English

Jody McCoy

Convention Center - Room 1 (Third Floor)

This workshop is for everyone interested in using the GC logo for their church or team. Topics include protecting one's reputation, professionalism, sub-branding, allowed uses, brand colors, and the brand guide.

The Word in Babylon - English

Jason Overman

Convention Center - Room 2 (Third Floor)

See Tuesday's description.

Family Groups for Church Growth - English

Daniel Flores

Convention Center - Room 3 (Third Floor)

See Tuesday's description.

Robert's Rules of Order - English with Spanish translation

Christopher Idemmili

Convention Center - Room 4 (Third Floor)

See Tuesday's description.

Anxiety and Depression: What Can I Do? - Spanish

Minister David Lozano LPCC

Marriott - Covington Ballroom 1

See Tuesday's description.

Convention Choir

Jim Fischer/Gordon Kuryluk

Convention Center - Ballroom B (Third Floor)

See Tuesday's description.

Wednesday • 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.

My First Walk With Jesus - English

Jenny Stephens/Maria Cleeton/Zahida Hrenyk

Convention Center - Room 1 (Third Floor)

For anyone (church school teachers, parents, homeschool mothers, etc.) interested in instilling the light of Jesus in the hearts and minds of children through song, memory, illustration, and play. Includes Power-Point presentation, testimonies, and time for discussion and sharing.

We offer all bilingual materials (English and Spanish):

- Infant-friendly ABC Scripture-laminated cards on a ring
- Infant-friendly laminated numbers cards, 1-12, illustrating foundational biblical truth
- A beautiful bilingual book that illustrates the ABCs in Scripture and song
- A Numbers Book with numbers 1-12, including biblical foundational stories and lesson examples with each number
- The Good Deeds game for practicing love for others
- ABC and Numbers posters for classroom use

Managing the Communication Jungle - English

Jamin Teran

Convention Center - Room 2 (Third Floor)

Conveying a message takes more than a good idea, and dealing with the public and all the media platforms can be a challenge. In this workshop, you will understand the different communication styles available today to improve your personal communication among leaders, churches, and the community. Understand your role in social media so you can be congruent, accountable, and transparent.

The Mobilized Church - Spanish

Ronald Rousseau

Convention Center - Room 3 (Third Floor)

We will look at seven key factors that undergird any effective church missions ministry: a passion for God, a biblical definition of missions, activated leaders, partnerships, church-wide engagement, intentionality, and risk. We'll discuss how to practically develop and implement these foundations in the local church. Missions is not simply a program; it's integrated throughout the life of the church.

The Equipping Mission of the Church - English with Spanish translation

Brian Franks

Convention Center - Room 4 (Third Floor)

Based on Ephesians 4:11, 12, the church's equipping vision is an underlying principle of the curriculum and organization of Artios Christian College. It is also one that the local church can use to organize its ministry and be blessed.

Welcoming Church 'Mission Possible' - Spanish

Moises Capetillo/Pedro Capetillo, Jr.

Marriott - Covington Ballroom 1

See Tuesday's description.

Thursday • 2:00 - 3:15 p.m.

Healthy Minds = Healthy Churches*: Forming Help Teams in Our Congregations - English

Jacquelyn Scott

Convention Center - Room 1 (Third Floor)

Learn how to form a Helping Team within your congregation to offer support and encouragement to members who are struggling with mental wellness or life-controlling issues.

*"By facilitating collaboration between health providers and churches and providing intentional wellness retreats, *Healthy Minds = Healthy Churches* seeks to end the stigma of mental illness and promote mental, physical, emotional, financial, and Spiritual wellness."

The Mobilized Church - English

Bryan Cleeton

Convention Center - Room 2 (Third Floor)

See Wednesday's description.

Managing the Communication Jungle - Spanish

Jamin Teran

Convention Center - Room 3 (Third Floor)

See Wednesday's description.

Introduction to Evangelism and Discipleship Training - English with Spanish translation

Mike Vlad/Larry Zaragoza

Convention Center - Room 4 (Third Floor)

See Tuesday's description.

Enriching the Sabbath School Experience - English with Spanish translation

Whaid Rose and Panel

Marriott - Covington Ballroom 1

God's Word is foundational to the Christian experience and the life of the church. Therefore, the weekly Sabbath school experience is no small matter, and the ministry of teaching must be valued and resourced in every possible way. In this workshop, you will learn how to enrich your local church's Sabbath school by observing the teaching ministry of Jesus. You will also be given practical tools and insights for cultivating a learning culture in your local church.

Convention Choir

Jim Fischer/Gordon Kuryluk

Convention Center - Ballroom B (Third Floor)

See Tuesday's description.

Thursday • 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.

The Relevance of Genesis and the Christian Worldview

Ken Ham

Convention Center - Event Center 1 (First Floor)

Genesis 1-11 is the foundation for all doctrine for a Christian worldview — in fact, for everything.

We can't begin to deal with the social issues of our day unless we start with the very first chapters of Genesis to build the right worldview and know what we believe and why.

We are seeing a generational loss from the church today and a luke-warm church because they haven't built the right foundation beginning with Genesis.