

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

## CONFERENCE WEEK 2024

### THEME

What is this year's theme?

*This year's theme, chosen by President Johnmark Camenga, is 'Unearth the Church'.*

### ACTIVITIES

What activities will be happening during Conference Week 2024?

*There will be singing, committee meetings, seminars, youth and children's activities, a women's banquet, a pastor's luncheon, inspiring Bible studies, and inspiring messages all centered around the Conference Week 2024 theme, Unearth the Church. We will post a schedule as soon as it is finalized along with all other Conference Week 2024 information on the Conference Week 2024 web page ([www.seventhdaybaptist.org/conferenceweek2024](http://www.seventhdaybaptist.org/conferenceweek2024)).*

What are the appropriate ages/grades for nursery care, KidCon, and YouthCon?

*Nursery care is available for those from birth-PreK (0-4 years old approximately). KidCon will be available to those going into Kindergarten-5th grade (5-11 years old approximately). YouthCon will be available to those going into 6th-12th grade (12-18 years old approximately). These programs/services are available for a \$25 fee. We will staff and supply these programs/services based on registration numbers so please select these options if you would like them.*

### DESTINATION

Where will Conference Week 2024 be held?

*We will be using facilities on the campus of West Virginia Wesleyan College located in Buckhannon, WV.*

What is there to do in Buckhannon, WV?

*Buckhannon is a small city located within North Central WV with quite a few attractions within an hour drive. Go to the website, [visitbuckhannon.org](http://visitbuckhannon.org), to find out more about what there is to experience in Buckhannon and the surrounding area.*

### SCHEDULE

Are there any major schedule changes to Conference Week 2024 from previous years?

*We will be transacting all of our business (including committee work) within the first few days of our Conference. Instead of spreading business out over the whole week (and sometimes not giving enough time to have delegates and registrants review reports, ask questions, and give great feedback and ideas for how to actively advance God's Kingdom), we are allowing plenty of time to have those conversations over Monday and Tuesday of Conference Week 2024. In addition, there will only be four major worship services throughout the week but there will be plenty of keynotes, seminars, and Bible studies to round out the week.*

## REGISTRATION OPTIONS

What will the options be for registration for Conference Week 2024?

*In an effort to minimize the stress on volunteers and to follow best practices for national conferences, we are offering an all-week on-campus option that includes a bed (BYO or add-on linens), meals, and registration for the whole week, an option that only includes registration for the whole week, and an option that includes only registration (no meal) for Sabbath day (Saturday). Every adult individual will need to register separately. Children can be registered with a parent/guardian.*

Is there any way that Conference Week 2024 might be canceled?

*We are committed to having an in-person gathering in 2024. We do not foresee any circumstances that would lead us to cancel this event.*

What is the deadline for registration?

*There is an early bird registration option ending by May 1 that will provide a \$25-\$50 discount. July 7 is the last day to register for Conference Week 2024. Payment for all registrations must be provided by July 7. NO walk-up registrations will be allowed. This is due to providing correct numbers to the host site for facilities, meals, and lodging.*

Will there be any paper registration for Conference Week 2024?

*No. All registration will be online and will require an email address. If you struggle with making online reservations, our Conference Week Team can assist you. Contact us at [registrar@seventhdaybaptist.org](mailto:registrar@seventhdaybaptist.org) or 608-752-7055 ext. 708.*

Will any of the events be live-streamed?

*While we encourage everyone interested in the events of the week to attend in person; we will likely be live-streaming (or recording and posting later) worship services and the awards session. We encourage those who choose to watch at home to offer a donation to help with the costs of production. (Donation form on [www.seventhdaybaptist.org/giving/](http://www.seventhdaybaptist.org/giving/), and scroll down.)*

## PRICE

How much will it cost?

*On-campus early bird registration for adults (12+) is \$550. For children ages 5-11, it is \$450 in a bed and \$250 on the floor. For children ages 0-4, it's \$150 in a bed or \$50 on the floor.*

*Off-campus early bird registration for adults (12+) is \$150. For children ages 5-11, it is \$100. For children ages 0-4, it's \$50. A Sabbath (Saturday) only early bird registration is \$15 (no meals or lodging). Everyone who will be physically on the campus during the week (whether lodging there or not) must register.*

*Those registering after May 1 will be paying full price which is \$25-\$50 more.*

*Many factors account for this price. There is currently an increased price on everything due to economic inflation. Food, labor, lodging, and facilities are all more expensive than in previous years. Also, in pulling all the Conference Week costs out of various ministry budgets (Christian Education, travel, Pastoral Services, etc.), we realize that we have been subsidizing the cost of our annual Conference Week for years at the cost of \$200+ per registrant without passing that cost on to registrants. This price represents more of the true cost but has still*

*been subsidized for cost control at the discretion of the General Council. We must continue to move toward a more sustainable model. (See also the price list at the end of this document.)*

Are there any other fees?

*If you plan on using the Nursery, KidCon, YouthCon, a shuttle to the host site from the CKB airport, or attending the women's banquet, there will be an additional cost. The fees will be used to help cover the costs of these events and provide us with a headcount for those using these programs/services so that we can prepare accordingly.*

*The College does not provide linens, so you may wish to bring your own. (Beds are extra-long twin size.) We are offering an optional linens package for a fee. This must be selected in advance with your registration. We will not have extra linens available on site.*

Do I need to pay all of my fees when I register?

*No, however, this is the expectation of most major conferences upon registration. You can pay your full registration cost by card at the time of completing your registration. If you pay your fees by check, we must receive that check by July 7 for your registration to be confirmed. All fees owed (any balance due) will need to be paid by July 7 to ensure your spot. No payment will be taken on-site during check-in.*

What will the Conference Week refund policy be?

*Any cancellations made by registrants by July 7 will receive a full refund. Any cancellations made by registrants after July 7 will receive NO refund.*

## **TRANSPORTATION**

When should I arrive on campus to begin check-in or attend events?

*Please do not arrive on campus to check in before Sunday, July 21, at 1:30 pm. Your arrangements before this time and after breakfast on Sunday, July 28, are your responsibility.*

What happens if my plans for Conference Week 2024 change?

*We recommend that you purchase trip insurance/protection offered by your travel carrier or a third-party insurer to help mitigate any travel expense loss due to cancellation.*

What airport should we fly into for Conference Week 2024?

*We will arrange pick-ups and drop-offs at the North Central WV Airport (CKB) for a fee of \$20 each way. This airport is serviced by Contour/American Airlines and Allegiant. You may also fly to WV International Yeager Airport (CRW) or Pittsburgh International Airport (PIT), rent a car and drive to the host site.*

What about parking on campus?

*Parking on campus is covered in your registration fees but know that some parking lots are located at some distance from the buildings that we are using, and that parking fills up quickly.*

How about getting around on-campus for those with limited mobility?

*The campus is not large but we will be using a variety of buildings on campus. We plan on allotting plenty of time for people to make the transition between scheduled events. While we will be offering some golf*

*cart services, those may not line up with your particular schedules or needs. We encourage those who have trouble walking distances between buildings on campus to arrange for their own scooters or motorized chairs to assist them. All of the facilities include elevators (if needed), or ramps, and are ADA-compliant.*

## **LODGING**

Do I need to bring linens for my bed if I am staying on-campus?

*Yes. However, you can choose to add a set of linens to your registration if you do not want to bring your own. We will only order linen sets for those who have added them to their registration. There will **NOT** be extras on site. Note that beds are extra-long twin size.*

What are the dorm rooms like and can I choose my roommate?

*Our contracted rooms are typical dorm rooms that include 2 single beds each and share a bathroom with an adjoining room. They are air-conditioned. You will have the option in registration to indicate your preference of roommates.*

Are there preferred places to stay off-campus if that is my option?

*No. If you are staying off-campus, your lodging arrangements are your responsibility and there are a variety of hotels, bed and breakfasts, and rental homes that would be available within a 30-minute drive. There are also RV parks in the North Central WV area.*

## **MEALS**

Will I be able to purchase meals on-campus if I am not staying on campus?

*Yes. Prices and payment methods are TBD. Check the Conference Week 2024 web page ([www.seventhdaybaptist.org/conferenceweek2024](http://www.seventhdaybaptist.org/conferenceweek2024)) for updates or contact the Conference Week Team to find out more.*

What if I have dietary restrictions?

*There should be many options for all types of palates and dietary restrictions. There will be gluten-free, vegetarian, and lactose-free options at main meals (including an entree). Pork may be an option at meals but there should be other food selections as well. For extra sensitivities, please let us know in your registration and we will do our best to make accommodations with the dining service on-campus.*

What meals will be included in the on-campus registration?

*Your meals include dinner on Sunday evening (July 21), breakfast-lunch-dinner Monday-Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday morning (July 28).*

What if I don't eat breakfast, etc.?

*Our registration options include all meals if you are staying on-campus or no meals if you are staying off-campus. A great majority of our on-campus registrants over the years have eaten all their meals on campus. In the interest of simplicity in registration options and the desire for most event venues to offer discounted facility costs with a certain number of beds and meal plans, these were the best options for our event. If you are staying off-campus, you can buy individual meals at the dining hall or there are local restaurant options. If you are staying on-campus, it includes all meals.*

## OTHER QUESTIONS

What if I have another question, need some advice on the best choice for my Conference Week 2024 logistics, have difficulty registering, or have a special request?

*We want to see you there for Conference Week 2024. It doesn't hurt to ask any questions. Contact the Conference Week Team at [registrar@seventhdaybaptist.org](mailto:registrar@seventhdaybaptist.org) or 608-752-5055 ext. 708. We will find you an answer.*

## PRICE LIST

Registration Item Description	Early Bird Price	Price after 5/1/2024
On Campus – ADULT (Age 12 & Up), Double Room Registration, full week double room, and meals.	\$550	\$575
On Campus – CHILD (Age 5 to 11), IN BED Registration, full week double room WITH A BED, and meals.	\$450	\$500
On Campus – CHILD (Age 5 to 11), on floor Registration, full week double room on floor, and meals.	\$250	\$300
On Campus – YOUNG CHILD (Age 0 to 4), IN BED Registration, full week double room WITH A BED, and meals.	\$150	\$175
On Campus – YOUNG CHILD (Age 0 to 4), on floor Registration, full week double room on floor, and meals.	\$50	\$75
Registration Only – ADULT (Age 12 & Up) OFF CAMPUS, no room, no meals, registration only	\$150	\$175
Registration Only – CHILD (Age 5 to 11) OFF CAMPUS, no room, no meals, registration only	\$100	\$125
Registration Only – YOUNG CHILD (Age 0 to 4) OFF CAMPUS, no room, no meals, registration only	\$50	\$75
Sabbath-Only Registration (no meals, no lodging) Registration to attend on Sabbath day only.	\$15	\$25

Optional Item Description	Price
Linens Package (per person, on-campus housing if you do not bring your own linens). Includes sheets, pillow, pillowcase, blanket, and towels.	\$25
Women's Banquet Wednesday evening, open to all women attending Conference Week 2024.	\$35
KidCon (Children's Conference) For those entering Kindergarten – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade (ages 5-11 approximately).	\$25
YouthCon (Youth Conference) For those entering grades 6-12 (ages 12-18 approximately). Includes Youth Banquet.	\$25
Nursery Care for children from birth to PreK (ages 0-4 approximately).	\$25
Shuttle Ride to WV Wesleyan College from CKB Airport	\$20
Shuttle Ride to CKB Airport from WV Wesleyan College	\$20