

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

## CONFERENCE SESSION 2025

### **THEME**

What is this year's theme?

*This year's theme, chosen by President Tom Davis, is 'Shouldn't It Be Obvious?'.*

### **ACTIVITIES**

What activities will be happening during Conference Session 2025?

*There will be singing, committee meetings, seminars, youth and children's activities, a women's banquet, a pastor's luncheon, relevant devotions, and inspiring messages all centered around the [Conference Session 2025](#) theme, Shouldn't It Be Obvious?. We will post a schedule as soon as it is finalized along with all other Conference Session 2025 information on the Conference Session 2025 web page ([www.seventhdaybaptist.org/conferencesession2025](http://www.seventhdaybaptist.org/conferencesession2025)).*

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 Session 2025 be held?

*We will be using facilities on the campus of [Carthage College](#) located in Kenosha, WI.*

What is there to do in Kenosha, WI?

*Kenosha is a city located south of Milwaukee, WI and is located on Lake Michigan. You can find out more information about Kenosha at [visitkenosha.com](http://visitkenosha.com).*

### **SCHEDULE**

Are there any major schedule changes to Conference Session 2025 from previous years?

*Our session this year will be five days long instead of seven. We will be transacting all of our business (including committee work) within the mornings of our session. We plan on having learning opportunities in the afternoons and worship in the evenings. A full schedule will be released when it is available.*

### **REGISTRATION QUESTIONS**

Is there any way that Conference Session 2025 might be canceled?

*We are committed to having an in-person gathering in 2025. 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 discount. July 7 is the last day to register for Conference Session 2025. 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 Session 2025?

*No. All registration will be online and will require an email address. If you struggle with making online reservations, our Conference Session 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 session 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 at [www.seventhdaybaptist.org/giving/](http://www.seventhdaybaptist.org/giving/).)*

## **PRICE**

How much will it cost?

*Everyone who will be physically on the campus during the session (whether lodging there or not) must register. This allows us to account for those who attend with our insurance policy and to help share the costs of facilities. The registration fee is \$170 but will increase after May 1, 2025.*

*There are additional options for on-campus lodging and a dining hall meal ticket as well as banquets, associated conferences, shuttles, and linens. Those registering after May 1 will pay 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 Session 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 Session 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.) Please contact the Conference Session Team at [registrar@seventhdaybaptist.org](mailto:registrar@seventhdaybaptist.org) or 608-752-7055 ext. 708 with any further questions.*

Are there any other fees?

*If you plan on using the Nursery, KidCon, YouthCon, a shuttle to the host site from the 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 host site is 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. You may also bring your own linens (XL twin size).*

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. Any unpaid registrations will be canceled after July 7.*

What will the Conference Session 2025 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 Tuesday, July 22, at 1:30 pm. Your personal arrangements before this time and after breakfast on Sunday, July 27, are your responsibility.*

What happens if my plans for Conference Session 2025 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 Session 2025?

*We will arrange pick-ups and drop-offs at the [Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport \(MKE\)](#) for a fee of \$40 round trip. This airport is serviced by most major airlines. If you fly into another airport, you will need to rent a car and drive to Carthage College.*

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 individual 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. Many 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 XL twin size (36" x 80").*

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

*Most of our contracted rooms are typical dorm rooms that include 2 single beds each and a community bathroom on each floor. They are NOT air-conditioned. You may wish to bring a fan with you. There will be no fans available from the college.*

*You may also choose, for a higher price, the air-conditioned dormitory with 2 single beds per room and semi-private bathrooms.*

*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 Kenosha, WI area. If you are staying off-campus, you are responsible for transporting yourself to and from Carthage College.*

## **MEALS**

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

*Yes, you may purchase a meal ticket for all five days or you may purchase individual meals at the door but at a higher per-meal price than the dining hall meal ticket.*

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 dining hall meal ticket?

*Our dining hall meal ticket includes all meals from dinner on Tuesday, 7/22 until breakfast on 7/27.*

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

*If you do not choose the dining hall meal ticket, you may purchase individual meals at the door but at a higher per-meal price than the dining hall meal ticket.*

## **OTHER QUESTIONS**

What if I have another question, need advice on the best choice for my Conference Session 2025 logistics, have difficulty registering, or have a special request?

*We want to see you there for Conference Session 2025. It doesn't hurt to ask any questions. Contact the Conference Session Team at [registrar@seventhdaybaptist.org](mailto:registrar@seventhdaybaptist.org) or 608-752-5055 ext. 708. We will find you an answer.*

**CONFERENCE SESSION PRICE LIST 2025**

<b>Registration Items</b>	<b>Early Bird Price</b>	<b>Price after 5/1/2025</b>
<b>Event Registration</b> – Age 6 and up.	\$170	\$200
<b>Event Registration</b> – Age 5 and under, no charge.	\$0	\$0
<b>Registration to attend on Sabbath only</b> , no charge, donations in the Conference Offering are appreciated. Separate registration link.	\$0	\$0

<b>Optional Items</b>	<b>Early Bird Price</b>	<b>Price after 5/1/2025</b>
<b>On-Campus Lodging</b> , Bed in Double room for any age person, Non-AC dorm. (Five nights, linens and fans not provided). Meals not included (see Meal Ticket, below).	\$155	\$175
<b>On-Campus Lodging</b> , Age 5 and under, ON FLOOR, Non-AC dorm. No more than 2 children on the floor per room.	\$0	\$0
<b>On-Campus Lodging in an Air-conditioned Dorm, any age.</b> Bed in Double room for any age person, AC dorm. (Five nights, no linens). Meals not included (see Meal Ticket, below).	\$245	\$300
<b>On-Campus Lodging in an Air-conditioned Dorm</b> , Age 5 and under, ON FLOOR. No more than 2 children on the floor per room.	\$0	\$0
<b>Linens Package</b> (An option if you do not bring your own linens). Includes 2 sheets, pillow, pillowcase, blanket, towel, and washcloth.	\$30	\$30
<b>Dining Hall Meal Ticket</b> , Age 6 and up. Includes dinner 7/22/25 through breakfast 7/27/25.	\$150	\$175
<b>Dining Hall Meal Ticket</b> , Age 5 and under.	\$0	\$0
<b>Women’s Banquet</b> . Hosted by the SDB Women’s Society. Open to all women attending Conference Session 2025.	\$35	\$35
<b>YouthCon</b> (Associated Conferences). For those entering grades 6-12 (ages 12-18 approximately).	\$25	\$25
<b>KidCon</b> (Associated Conferences). For those entering Kindergarten – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade (ages 5-11 approximately).	\$25	\$25
<b>Nursery</b> (Associated Conferences). Care for children from birth to PreK (ages 0-4 approximately).	\$25	\$25
<b>Round-trip Shuttle</b> from/to MKE Airport. A ride from Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport to Carthage College and return to the airport on 7/27/25.	\$40	\$40