## Lausanne Consultation On Jewish Evangelism (LCJE)



## NORTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE

April 16 – 18, 2018
The Atlanta Marriott Century Center/Emory
2000 Century Boulevard NE
Atlanta, GA

Dear LCJE Friend,

This is your invitation to join us for our upcoming annual conference in Atlanta. Whether you're one of our regulars or someone who's never attended before, we would love to see you in Georgia!

Sometimes people want to know if you have to be a member of LCJE in order to attend our conferences. The answer is no, membership is not required. **Anyone interested in Jewish ministry is welcome.** However, our hope is that you will consider joining LCJE (info on membership is available at www.lcje.net) and become part of the family!

The opening session this year begins at 10:30 AM on Monday, April 16, and the conference will close with our banquet on Wednesday night. Our special speaker that

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evening will be **Henry "Hank" Freedman**, a 96-year-old Jewish believer and somewhat of a local celebrity in the Atlanta area. Hank was on the front lines of the fabled Battle of the Bulge in WW II and became a Nazi prisoner of war in 1944. He has an inspiring story about God's providence in his long and blessed life.

Our conference theme is "Jewish Evangelism: History, Theology & Practice." We have a great lineup of presentations again this year by an outstanding roster of speakers.

Our host hotel is the <u>Atlanta Marriott Century Center/Emory Hotel</u>. There's a place on our North American webpage (<u>www.lcje-na.org</u>) where you can make your hotel reservations, learn about transportation options to and from Atlanta Hartsfield Airport (ATL), and also find more information about the hotel and the surrounding area. Please let us know if you're interested in sharing a room with someone else to economize a bit. (*Please note that making a reservation at the hotel does NOT automatically register you for the conference. Conference and hotel registrations are two different processes. Please see my comments below about conference registration.*)



We're pleased to announce that **Deborah and Vince Kline-lantorno** of Shir Chadash Ministries in Southern California will be our worship leaders this year. This husband and wife team has been with us before and we're looking forward to this return engagement! Deb recently released an album, *Here Am I — Hineini* and will be performing some of those new songs for us.

Confirmed speakers this year include Mitch Glaser, Arnold Fruchtenbaum, David Brickner, Susan Perlman, Tim Sigler, Rich Robinson, Theresa Newell, John Johnson, Rich Hastings, Steven Ger, and Amy Downey, among others.

Since the conference begins on Monday morning, most of us make arrangements to arrive on Sunday. As usual, there will be a reception with snacks and drinks that Sunday evening (see the Daily Schedule). This informal get-together is always a welcome time of fellowship and catching up on what we've all been doing since we were last together. The reception this year is co-sponsored by Murray Tilles of Light of Israel Ministries in Atlanta and Israel College of the Bible in Netanya, Israel. Erez Soref, ICB president, is sending Jim Sibley to Atlanta to represent him and the school at LCJE.

Conference registration is in full swing, and we encourage you to take advantage of the convenient, online process by going to <a href="www.lcje-na.org">www.lcje-na.org</a> and clicking on the "registration" link. (Please note that this is separate from registering with the hotel and making your room reservation, as mentioned above.) The registration fee is \$125 for members and \$135 for non-members. This includes participation in all of the sessions, coffee breaks, and the closing banquet on Wednesday evening. If you are a presenter this year, you are entitled to receive a 50% discount on your registration (you'll be prompted to enter the code <a href="mailto:lcje2018speaker">lcje2018speaker</a> during the online registration process). The discount applies only to the speaker. Contact Kathi at 630-251-4965 or email her at <a href="mailto:na-secretary@lcje.net">na-secretary@lcje.net</a> with any questions about conference registration or the presenters' discount.

Meals other than the closing banquet on Wednesday night are not included in the registration fee. The hotel has <u>a restaurant on-site</u> that is open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Also, there are other popular eateries located within the radius served by the free hotel shuttle.

We have a limited number of **display tables** available this year, so if you are interested in displaying information about your ministry, or selling/giving away books, please contact my executive assistant, Cindy Castillo, to make those arrangements (<u>CindyC@cjfm.org</u> or 210-226-1075). On Wednesday, we've set aside some time for each of our displayers to come up and tell us about the materials they've got on the tables and special deals they're offering for LCJE. They don't want to haul their wares back home, so they'll be wheeling and dealing!

Some of you have asked about inviting your friends in the Atlanta area to join us. A **one-day "get acquainted" pass** for a first-timer is \$25 and includes all coffee breaks that day. If someone is in the company of an LCJE member and would like to sit in on a single (one) session, there's no charge. Sorry, but a one-day pass on Wednesday does not include the banquet on Wednesday night.

The Atlanta area has a lot to offer for visitors. There's so much to see and do! Some of you may want to visit the Coca Cola Museum and the Atlanta Aquarium (they're next door to each other). Of course, Underground Atlanta is legendary. If you've never visited a presidential library, the Carter Library is here. There's also Stone Mountain, which has grown over the years into a full-fledged theme park. Our LCJE academics may be interested in the Emory University theological library and its amazing displays of manuscripts, Bibles, and other historical materials (email Michael Hedrick at <a href="michaelh@cjfm.org">michaelh@cjfm.org</a> for details). And there's much more! We encourage you to consult the hotel website where you'll find information about local tourism so you can make the most of your free afternoon on Tuesday (see the Daily Schedule).

We are looking forward to seeing you all in Atlanta at another great LCJE-NA conference!

In Messiah's service.

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