

Lausanne Consultation On Jewish Evangelism (LCJE)



NORTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE

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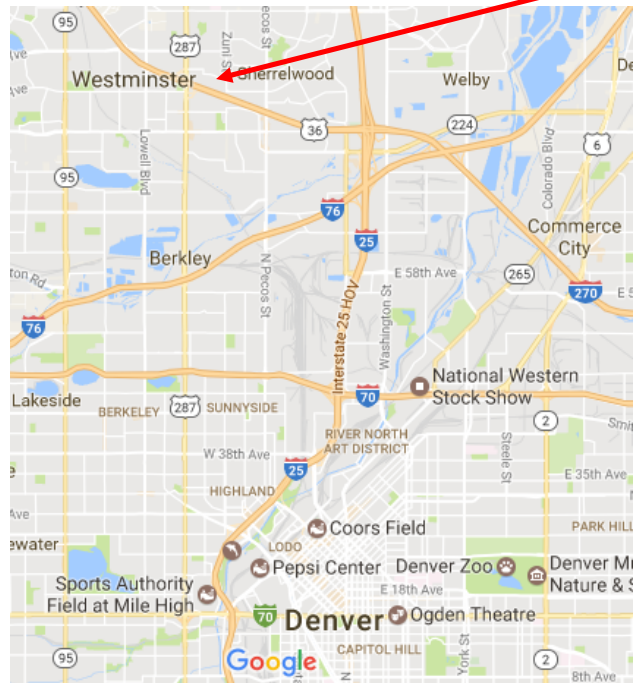
The Westin Westminster — Westminster, Colorado
Denver—Boulder Area

Dear LCJE Friend,

This is your invitation to join us for our upcoming conference in the Mile High City! Whether you're one of our regulars or someone who's never attended before, we would love to see you in Colorado!

People often ask if you have to be a member of LCJE in order to attend our conferences. The answer is no, membership is not a requirement. 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, March 6, and the conference will close with our banquet on Wednesday night. Our special speaker that evening will be Dr. Arnold Fruchtenbaum, founder and executive director of Ariel Ministries in San Antonio.



Our conference theme is “The Nuts and Bolts of Jewish Evangelism.” It’s just another way of saying “the basics of Jewish evangelism”—why and how we do what we do as evangelists to the Jewish people. We have a great lineup of presentations by an outstanding roster of speakers.

Our host hotel in the Denver-Boulder area is The Westin Westminster. There’s information on our North American webpage (www.lcje-na.org) where you can make your hotel reservations, learn about transportation options to and from the

Denver airport, 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 Greg Silverman will be returning as our worship leader. This is his third year with us! Greg is a well-known Messianic composer, conductor, and worship leader who has served on the choral music faculty of Eastern University in Pennsylvania. You'll find more information about his work at www.gregsilverman.com. His new album, I AM, just came out on January 1.

Bill Bjoraker challenged us in 2015 at LCJE's international conference in Jerusalem about the power of storytelling in sharing the Good News of Yeshua. It was powerful! When you think about it, that's what the Bible is—one long and exciting story. In fact, it's the greatest Story ever told! So I've asked Arlie Francis and Rob Styler to go into more detail while we're in Denver and share with us some practical ways we can employ storytelling in Jewish evangelism.

Since the conference begins on Monday morning, many of us are planning to arrive on Sunday. So there will be a reception with snacks and drinks that 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 suggested donation is \$10 per person. We say "suggested donation" because that's what it is—a suggestion. It's not required. We want you to join in whether you can afford the ten bucks or not.

On Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, Greg will be joined by Daryl Fenton to give us a little taste of Messianic worship with an Anglican-liturgical twist. There will be music, responsive readings, and more. Those of us who come from non-liturgical backgrounds (like we Baptists!) should find this particularly interesting! The devotional times on those two mornings will be led by Alex Jacob, an Anglican leader from CMJ in the UK who's written two books that are important for our movement—*The Case for Enlargement Theology* (against replacement theology) and *Walking an Ancient Path* (dealing with a biblical understanding of Christology and how it connects with, rather than contradicts, monotheism).

On Wednesday morning, we'll have a two-part panel discussion of a new book about Christian Zionism: *The New Christian Zionism: Fresh Perspectives on Israel and the Land* edited by Gerald McDermott. In this book, McDermott dispels the myth that Christian Zionism is the offspring of premillennial dispensationalism and originated with the rise of the Plymouth Brethren and the teachings of their

founder, John Nelson Darby. Dr. McDermott wasn't able to make it to Denver, but we are fortunate to have two of the book's contributing authors on the panel—Darrell Bock and Craig Blaising. The other two panel members will be Rich Robinson and Arnold Fruchtenbaum.

Conference registration is in full swing, and we encourage you to take advantage of the convenient, online process by going to www.lcje-na.org 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 \$95 for members and \$105 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. Contact Kathi at 630-251-4965 or email her at na-secretary@lcje.net with any questions about conference registration or the presenters' discount.

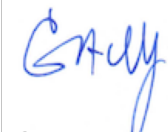
Meals other than the closing banquet on Wednesday night are not included in the registration fee. The hotel has a restaurant on-site that is open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Other restaurants are close by.

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 (CindyC@cjfm.org or 210-226-1075).

There's a lot to see and do in both the Denver and Boulder areas (the hotel is nestled conveniently between the two). We encourage you to consult the hotel website where you'll find lots of 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 Denver at another great LCJE-NA conference!

In Messiah's service,



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