

Bible Students

General Convention

July 15-20, 2023



University of Pittsburgh
Johnstown, PA



Convention Theme Text

*“You keep him in perfect peace whose
mind is stayed on you, because he
trusts in you. Trust in the LORD
forever, for the LORD GOD
is an everlasting rock.”
Isaiah 26:3,4 ESV*

The Conference Center at Pitt-Johnstown
450 Schoolhouse Road — Johnstown, PA

1-800-875-5958

Convention Website:

biblestudentsgeneralconv.org

For driving instructions to the convention,
see General Information page.

SATURDAY, JULY 15

Bro. O. B. Elbert, Chairman - *Los Angeles, CA*

9:30 Morning Devotions

9:45 Orientation by College

10:00 **Welcome Address**

Bro. Tim Malinowski - *Grand Rapids MI*

10:45 Intermission

11:15 Discourse

Bro. Todd Alexander - *Columbus OH*

12:00 Close of Morning Session

Bro. Brian Montague, Chairman - *Highland Park NY*

2:00 Discourse

Bro. Randy Shahan - *New York NY*

2:45 Intermission

3:15 Discourse

Bro. David Wittbrodt - *Metro Detroit MI*

4:00 Intermission

4:30 Discourse

Bro. Michael Balko - *Orlando FL*

5:15 Close of Afternoon Session

7:00 **I Cor. 14:3,4 NIV: "By Prophesying We May ..."**
Strengthen the Brethren

Bro. Ninan Andrews - *Bellevue WA*

Encourage the Brethren

Bro. John Mottie - *Greenfield OH*

Comfort the Brethren

Bro. J. Slavich - *Orlando FL*

8:15 Songs in the Night

SUNDAY, JULY 16

Bro. Peter Mora, Chairman - *Los Angeles CA*

9:30 Morning Devotions

9:45 Discourse

Bro. Michael Costelli - *New Orleans LA*

10:30 Intermission

11:15 **Theme Discourse - Isaiah 26:3,4 ESV**

**“You keep him in perfect peace whose
mind is stayed on you ...”**

Bro. Tom Gilbert - *Southern Wisconsin WI*

12:00 Close of Morning Session

Bro. Rick Suraci, Chairman - *New Haven CT*

2:00 Praise and Testimony

Bro. John Hummel - *Metro Detroit MI*

2:45 Intermission

3:15 Discourse

Bro. Jonathan Benson - *Orlando FL*

4:00 Intermission

4:15 **3-Person Panel: “Top Snares of 2023”**

Bro. Rick Suraci, Moderator - *New Haven CT*

Bro. Homer Montague - *Highland Park NY*

Bro. Matt Kerry - *Columbus OH*

5:15 Close of Afternoon Session

7:00 **Discourse: “Peace of Mind and Heart”**

—John 14:27 NLT

Bro. Ed Heidelbach - *Detroit MI*

7:45 Vesper Service

8:15 Songs in the Night

MONDAY, JULY 17

Bro. Michael Balko, Chairman - *Orlando FL*

9:30 Morning Devotions

9:45 Discourse

Bro. Robert Goodman - *Orlando FL*

10:30 Intermission

11:15 Discourse

Bro. Aaron Kuehmichel - *Chicago IL*

12:00 Close of Morning Session

Bro. Ernie Kuenzli, Chairman - *Orlando FL*

2:00 Discourse

Bro. Austin Williams - *Highland Park NY*

2:45 Intermission

3:15 Praise and Testimony

Bro. Michael Costelli - *New Orleans LA*

4:00 Intermission

4:30 Discourse

Bro. Brian Montague - *Highland Park NY*

5:15 Close of Afternoon Session

7:00 Discussion:

“Are Crowns Still Available in 2023?”

Bro. O. B. Elbert - *Los Angeles CA*

Bro. David Rice - *San Diego CA*

8:00 Songs in the Night

8:15 Elders' Meeting

TUESDAY, JULY 18

Bro. Matt Kerry, Chairman - *Columbus OH*

9:30 Morning Devotions

9:45 **Baptismal Discourse**

Bro. Peter Mora - *Los Angeles CA*

10:30 Intermission

11:00 **Immersion Service**

Bro. Mark Davis - *Los Angeles CA*

12:00 Close of Morning Session

Bro. Byron Keith, Chairman - *Seattle WA*

2:00 Praise and Testimony

Bro. John Bivol - *Chicago IL*

2:45 Intermission

3:15 **Dialogue: "Proper Respect for Leaders"**

Rom. 13:1-7; I Tim. 2:1-3; II Tim. 2:4

Bro. Mark Davis - *Los Angeles CA*

Bro. Len Griehs - *Phoenix AZ*

4:00 Intermission

4:30 Discourse

Bro. Daniel Wojcik - *Portland OR*

5:15 Close of Afternoon Session

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

Bro. Stephen Jeuck, Chairman - *Orlando FL*

9:30 Morning Devotions

9:45 **Convention Business Meeting**

11:00 Short Recess

11:15 **Convention Business Continues**

12:00 Close of Morning Session

Bro. David Stein, Chairman - *Allentown PA*

2:00 Discourse

Bro. Sven Kruse - *Dortmund, Germany*

2:45 Intermission

3:15 Praise and Testimony

Bro. John Mottie - *Greenfield OH*

4:00 Intermission

4:30 Discourse

Bro. William Dutka - *Metro Detroit MI*

5:15 Close of Afternoon Session

7:00 **Discourse: Ephesians 4:1-3**

**“Walk Worthy of the Calling With Which
You Were Called”**

Bro. Timothy Krupa - *Seattle WA*

7:45 Vesper Service

8:30 Songs in the Night

THURSDAY, JULY 20

Bro. Jonathan Benson, Chairman - *Orlando FL*

9:30 Morning Devotions

9:45 Praise and Testimony

Bro. Byron Keith - *Seattle WA*

10:30 Intermission

11:00 **Discussion: "Types/Shadows versus
Antitypes/Realities"**

Bro. Stephen Jeuck - *Orlando FL*

Bro. J. Slavich - *Orlando FL*

12:00 Close of Morning Session

Bro. David Rice, Chairman - *San Diego CA*

2:00 Discourse

Bro. Len Griehs - *Phoenix AZ*

2:45 Intermission

3:15 Discourse

Bro. George Balko - *West Newton PA*

4:00 Intermission

4:30 **Closing Discourse**

Bro. David Stein - *Allentown PA*

5:15 Close of Afternoon Session

7:00 **Melodies of Praise**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S BIBLE PROGRAM

Nursery

A room will be provided for parental care of infants and young children.

Children's Group (ages 3-4)

Daily sessions of Bible lessons, stories, crafts, games, activities, and snacks are planned. Programs available.

Children's Group (ages 5-7)

Daily sessions of Bible lessons, singing, games, and crafts. Programs available.

Children's Group (ages 8-10)

Sessions of study, recreation, and singing throughout each day of the convention. Daily lesson themes for this age group will be shown on programs.

Young People's Group (ages 11-13)

Sessions of study, recreation, and singing throughout each day of the convention. Daily lesson themes for this age group will be shown on programs.

Young People's Group (ages 14-17)

Daily sessions of Bible study, talks, and choral singing. Programs available.

Young Adult Meetings (ages 18-25)

Special studies for those ages 18-25 (not older) will be held from 2:00-4:00 each day of the convention. Programs available.

Young People's Subsidy

The Convention Committee has made provision for a 100% subsidy of prepaid meal and lodging expenses for young people 13 -17 years old. To qualify, these young people must attend 75% of the Bible classes. This subsidy is designed to help make it possible for parents to attend, and to assure the young people enjoy the lessons prepared for them.

Parental Responsibilities

Young people are the responsibility of their parents. Please know where your children are at all times. They should not be alone in the lodging facilities, or with other children only, or operate elevators by themselves. All under age 17 should be in their room by 11:00 p.m.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Convention Location

From the East: Take the PA Turnpike (I-76) to exit #146 toward U.S 220/I-99. Turn left on U.S 220 Bus.N. Turn left on I-99 N to Altoona. Take Exit 3 to PA 56 West toward Johnstown (26 Miles). Turn right on Theatre Drive. Take 3rd left to stay on Theatre Drive. Turn right on Schoolhouse Road and then turn right on Picking Drive. The Conference Center is straight ahead and a bit to the left.

From the West: Take PA Turnpike (I-76) to exit #110. Take Route 219 N to Elton Road. Take first right onto Theatre Dr. Turn left on Schoolhouse Road. Then turn right on Picking Drive to the Conference Center.

Telephone Information

If you need information concerning the convention contact Ernie Kuenzli at (407) 670-4189. If there is a need to contact someone during the convention, starting Friday, July 14, through Thursday, July 20, the following number is available: 1-800-875-5958.

Meal Hours

Breakfast: 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Lunch: 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Dinner: 5:15-6:15 p.m.

C.O. Meeting

Those interested in Selective Service matters will meet on Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Your Mail

Mail addressed to delegates will be placed on a table designated for that purpose.

Pets

Pets are not allowed in any of the buildings.

Convention Committee

Bros. O. B. Elbert
Stephen Jeuck
Byron Keith
Ernie Kuenzli
Peter Mora

Special Services Committee

Bros. Rafal Niemczyk
Peter Mora
Jon Kienast
Ninan Andrews
Aaron Griehs
(remotely)

General Convention Registration

330 Jasmine Road—Casselberry, FL 32707
E-mail: ekuenzli@cfl.rr.com (407) 670-4189

	Brkfst	Lunch	Dinner	Bed
Friday, July 14, 2023				
Saturday, 15th				
Sunday, 16th				
Monday, 17th				
Tuesday, 18th				
Wednesday, 19th				
Thursday, 20th				

Check for package: 7 nights, all 18 meals
or 7 nights, 12 meals (no breakfasts)

Check: private bath **or** shared bath
 double occupancy single occupancy
 interested in APTS

Names and ecclesia name (age if under 18)

Address:

Transportation

The convention is providing limited shuttle bus service from the Pittsburgh Airport on Friday, July 14 and back to this airport on Friday, July 21. There will be a \$25 charge per adult each way (children 17 years and under \$15 charge each way). The college provides daily shuttle service from/to Johnstown Airport at no charge. Contact Ernie Kuenzli (407-670-4189) for shuttle bus schedules. Shuttle buses leave at their appointed times even if you do not appear on time.

Facilities' Fee

There is a \$10 non-refundable fee charged to every attendee of the convention, regardless of age or length of stay.

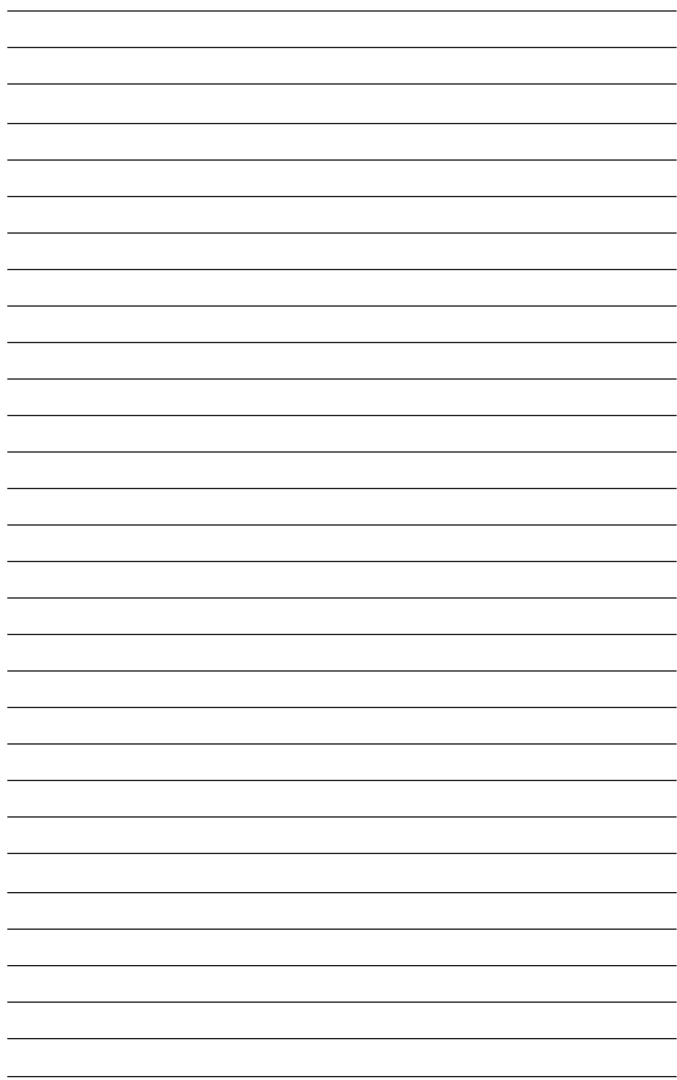
Ages	18 & up	***13-17
Breakfast	\$10.00	\$9.00
Lunch	12.00	11.00
Dinner	15.00	14.00
Total, three meals	\$37.00	\$34.00
Lodging (per night)		
**dbl occ (LLC or APTS)	\$42.00	\$37.00
dbl occ (non-LLC or APTS)	\$37.00	\$35.00
**single occ (LLC)	\$76.00	n/a
single occ (non-LLC)	\$42.00	n/a
PKG: 7 nights, 18 meals		
**dbl occ (LLC or APTS)	\$410*	\$375*
dbl occ (non-LLC or APTS)	\$275*	\$240*
**single occ (LLC)	\$616*	n/a
single occ (non-LLC)	\$319*	n/a

*If no breakfasts, deduct—\$40

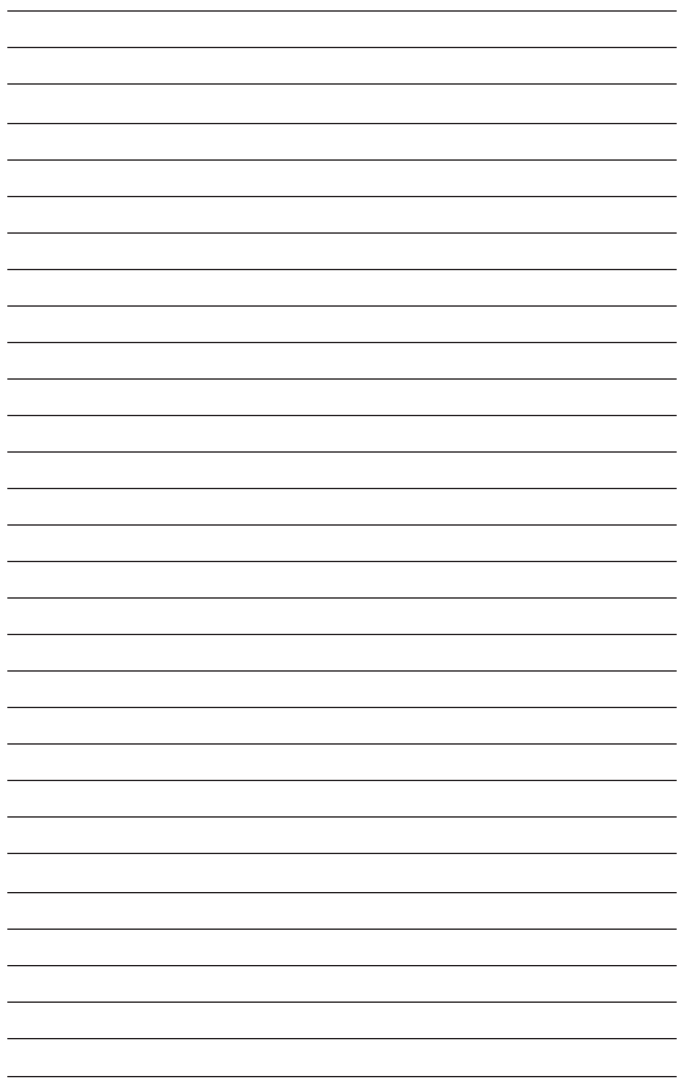
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***100% of these costs will be refunded if the young person attends 75% of the studies for his/her age group.

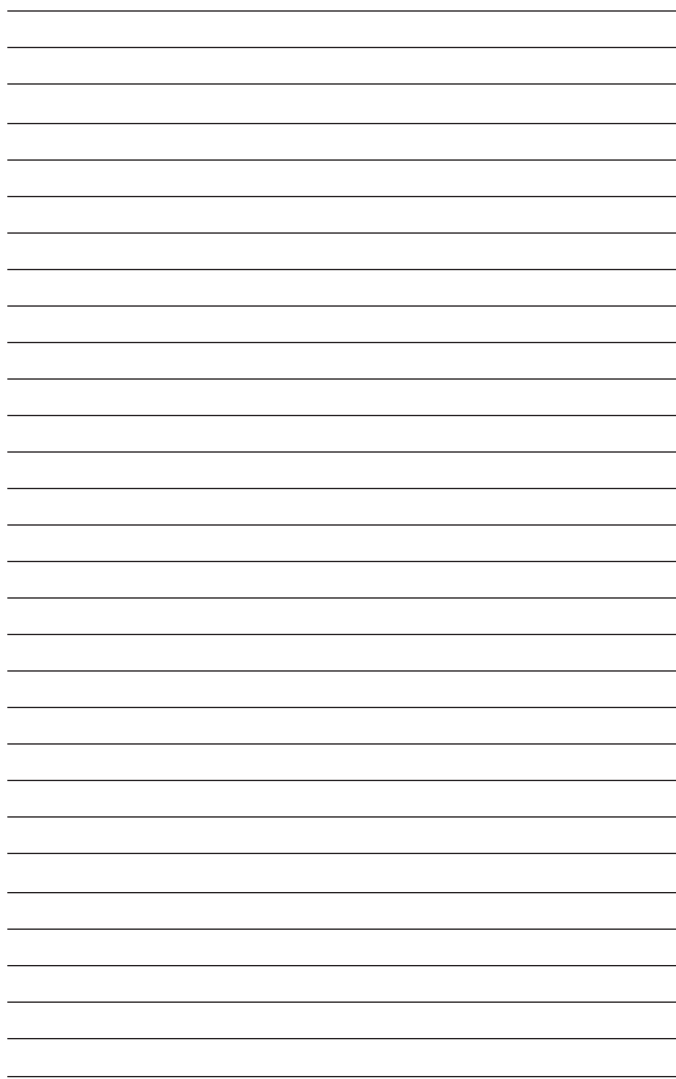
NOTE: A Convention Fee of \$10.00 per person, regardless of age, length of stay, or lodging and meal arrangements, will be added to your invoice to help offset convention expenses unrelated to lodging and meals.



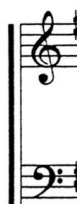








Chorus



Chorus

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the peo-ple re-joice!

O come to the Fa-ther thro' Je-sus his Son,

And give Him the glo-ry, great things He hath done.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things He hath done,
2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood,
3. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in G major and 3/4 time. The treble staff contains a vocal melody with lyrics, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment.

So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
To ev - 'ry be - liev - er the prom - ise of God;
And great our re - joic - ing thro' Je - sus his Son;

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff has a key signature change to one sharp (F#) in the final measure.

Who yield - ed His life an a - tone - ment for sin,
The vil - est of - fend - er who tru - ly be - lieves,
But pur - er, and high - er, and great - er will be

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment.

And o - pened the Life - gate that all may go in.
That mo - ment from Je - sus a - tone - ment re - ceives.
Our won - der, our full joy, when Je - sus we see.

The fourth system concludes the piece with the final melody and accompaniment.

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