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Bishop Billy W. Adams Georgia State Bishop

Georgia State Conference Convention Delegates to this 2023 Welcome

Greetings to our Georgia church family. We are so excited that you have set aside this time to come together for this family reunion we lovingly call, Convention.

As a passionate believer of the power that is given in the name of Jesus Christ and all the authority His name has in heaven and earth \$3:5 that the price for our healing has been paid, by His stripes. As we gather in this place, may our Lord operate in the exceeding and the abundantly leaving us all standing in awe. My prayer is that the healing power of Jesus is so strong in this house that the overflow follows you back to your places of ministry, my (Matthew 28:18), I believe in healing. His word declares in Isaiah

heart is that our churches become known as houses of healing. Thank you for making the effort to come to this event. Always know that you are so loved by us.

-Bishop Billy W. Adams and Charlotte



Ministries Coordinator Our International Dr. Cathy Payne, Global Missions Representative

Greetings,

The Church of God of Prophecy began over one hundred years ago in the humble hearts of earnest believers in the rural mountains of Cherokee County, North Carolina. Following a powerful revival that took place in a schoolhouse near Camp Creek in 1886, a small congregation formed a Christian Union to pray and study the scriptures.



In 1903, the group was introduced to an energetic young pastor from Indiana named A.J. Tomlinson and was more formally organized into the Church of God. From the beginning, these spiritual pioneers prioritized the evangelization of lost souls as their chief duty, as evidenced in the minutes of our first assembly in 1906. When the topic of evangelism was discussed at this small gathering "strong men wept and said they were not only willing, but they were anxious to go."

Although 120 years have passed since our formal organization, the Spirit continues to call us to take the glorious Gospel message to a world that desperately needs him. All around us opportunities abound to reflect his heart to the lost, hurting, and lonely until they are reconciled to him. This ministry of reconciliation given to us by God cannot be one of many focuses; rather, it must be our one priority!

As you gather with the church family in your convention, it is my prayer that the Holy Spirit would hover over your meeting. May that same Spirit that hovered over the early believers in Acts 2 and over our forefathers and foremothers in 1903, stir a passion in us for lost souls!

The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Will you join me in praying to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers? As we pray, may it also be said of you and me that we were not only willing but anxious to go!

Reconciling the World to Christ Through the Power of the Holy Spirit,

Tim Coalter Presiding Bishop Greetings,

How wonderful when God's people gather to offer prayer and praise to our loving Savior! Conventions in the Church of God of Prophecy hold a rich tradition of joyous fellowship, powerful preaching, anointed worship, and times of great intercessory prayer. I anticipate this convention will be like no other. We stand on the threshold of God's greatest gifts.



Convention offers a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old friends and build new relationships. Reach out to someone and become a prayer partner. Mentor a new Christian you've just met. Take someone out for a meal. Seek prayerful counsel of a senior saint. We need each other and this gathering is a perfect place to build relational connections!

Finally, thank you for joining in prayer for the Multiply 2030 church planting and church revitalization initiative of North America. We are seeking to plant 500 new congregations throughout North America by 2030, through the power of the Holy Spirit. This initiative also offers a prayer strategy for greater spiritual renewal within our existing congregations. We pray to reach 2000 healthy Church of God of Prophecy congregations in North America by 2030, each one impacting their communities with the love of Jesus. Your prayers and participation make the difference in realizing the completion of these goals.

Renee and I celebrate with you in this joyous convention. We pray for God's peace and power to surround you as you worship in his presence. We love you and we are praying for you!

Brian T. Sutton, D.Min. North America General Presbyter

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It is a joy to gather together with all the wonderful people of Georgia at this State Convention. Celebration, worship, and fellowship are hallmarks of our gathering. We are blessed to be together, and we are made stronger by gathering together.

We are thankful for The Assembly Church for the use of their beautiful facilities! They are generous in their hospitality and service to us. Let us graciously return that generosity to each one and be mindful of our use of their church. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to speak to me or any of the ushers who will be glad to assist you.



There will be many features in the program that you will want to participate in. Times of services, special gatherings, different means of giving, ways to share your prayer requests, and times to gather for prayer will be listed in the program. These are here for your benefit. Thank you for your participation.

Jehovah-Rapha "The Healer" is our theme. As one who stood before you 4 years ago only due to the healing power of Jesus after suffering with a deadly case of bacterial meningitis, I am thrilled about this theme. Susan and I have both experienced a death sentence being cancelled by the Stripes of Jesus. We encourage you to release your faith and receive what you need during this Convention from "The Healer."

-Dr. Larry Lowry, Convention Coordinator

Our Special Guest: Dr. Renfro and Sid

Thomas E Renfro, MD, is a graduate of the University of Virginia's School of Medicine where he is board certified in Internal Medicine. He is the proprietor of the Thomas E Renfro Community Clinic in Coeburn, VA, where he has practiced medicine these past 12 years. Prior to that, he was gainfully employed by Wellmont Health Systems, which is now Ballad Health Systems, since 1995. Upon graduation of med-



realth Systems, since 1995. Opin graduation in flex ical school, he owned and operated Medical Associates of Norton in Norton, VA, until his employment with Wellmont in 1995. He is also an ordained minister of the gospel who speaks in churches and Conferences around the world.

International Offi	ce
Tim Coalter	Presiding Bishop
Dr. Brian Sutton	North American General Presbyter
Billy W. Adams	State Bishop of Georgia
Special Guests	
Dr. Cathy Payne	International Representative
	Special Guest
State Staff	
Charlotte Adams	
Camp Busine	ss Manager, Women's Ministry Director,
	sistant Editor of Georgia News
Children's Ministr	State Treasurer, Secretary to Overseer, y Director/Team Coordinator, Harvest Partner
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Caleb Adams	State Youth Director/
	Camp Echeconnee Facilitato
Clinton Fields, Jr &	Diane Flowers Joy Ministries,
	Heritage Ministries
Matthew McEacher	nMen's Ministries, Parley
Scott Smith	Pastoral Care
Area Presbyters	Randall Dockery,
Ierr	y Gaddis, Lloyd G. Phipps, Sr.



### Georgia State Conference 2023

### Thursday Afternoon July 20, 2023

#### Business Meeting 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM

- Welcome/Opening to the State Conference: Bishop Billy W. Adams, Georgia State Bishop
- · Report of State Bishop: Bishop Billy W. Adams
- · Report of State Treasurer: Gladys Hawkins
- · Report of the State Finance and Stewardship Committee
- Report of Youth Camp Coordinator
- · Dismissal: Closing of Business Session

(There will be a supervised nursery coordinated by Deedee Buglino and Kaleigh Pounds and children's church coordinated by Kaylie Harper beginning with the evening service tonight. If you have any questions please see an usher. The schedule is located on pages 14 & 15.)

### Thursday Evening July 20, 2023 7:00 PM

- Welcome Delegates: Dr. Larry Lowry, Convention Coordinator
- · Praise/Worship: Praise Team with Nicole Benning
- · Devotion/Prayer: Pastor Ricky Knox, Camp Branch
- Convention Offering: Pastor Michael Daley, New Dimensions
- Praise/Worship: Praise Team with Nicole Benning
- Message: Dr. Tom Renfro, Special Guest from Virginia
- · Prayer for Healings
- Dismissal: Bishop Billy W. Adams

### Friday Morning July 21, 2023

### Children's Convention and Nursery See pages 14-15 for details.

(Nursery provided 9:00 AM until Noon for ages 0-4 years.

The nursery registration is located in the Foyer Area.)

Lobby open at 8:30 AM there will be coffee/doughnuts in the foyer.

#### 9:30 AM

- · Praise/Worship: Praise Team with Nicole Benning
- Devotion/Prayer: Pastor Ronny Grant, Life in Christ Ministries
- · Praise/Worship: Praise Team with Nicole Benning
- · Healing Testimony: Todd Welchel, Waleska
- · Message: Pastor Dottie Williams, Waleska/Ellijay
- · Dismissal: Caleb Adams and Gladys Hawkins

### Thank you for silencing your cell phone!

### Friday Lunch

Our children and youth pastors are such a vital part of the local church ministry teams. It is our desire to honor them. This luncheon for these special workers will be in the Student Center following



the morning session. It is our desire to say, "THANK YOU" for pouring into these young lives. Please see Pastor Caleb Adams or Gladys Hawkins for questions.

-Pastor Caleb Adams and Gladys Hawkins

Important Notice for those that received their ministry license 2022-2023. We will be recognizing you during this session. Please meet with Pastor Larry Lowry in the Fireside Room at 1:50 PM today to prepare for this session. Congratulations!

### Friday Afternoon July 21, 2023 2:00 PM

- Hickory Flat Fellowship Choir, Director Emory McEver
- Devotion/Prayer: Pastor Eric Dixon, Gilchrist Park
- Recognition/Prayer for Ministers Licensed 2022 and 2023
- Celebrating Camping Ministry: Ben/Hannah Oliver
- Honoring Camp Workers Past and Present
   Odell Porter and Diane/Riley Flowers
- · Video Greeting: Bishop Tim Coalter Honoring Deceased Ministers
- · Honoring Our Deceased Ministers with Pastor Mark Minter
- Presentation to Families of Deceased Pastors/Wives Under Appointment

Pastor Phillip English, Pastor Jackie McClure, Pastor Milton Rainey, Pastor Eldridge Turner, Pastor Lanier Weaver, Pastor Lester Weldon, Maureen Anderson, and Trixie Knox

· Honoring Pastors Retiring

Pastor Philip Lawson and Pastor Tommy James

- · Healing Testimony: Bo Korink, Macon HRC
- · Hickory Flat Fellowship Choir, Director Emory McEver
- Dismissal: Dr. Larry Lowry, Convention Coordinator



There is reserved seating for the families of those being honored during this session of the program.

# Friday Evening July 21, 2023 6:30 until 7:00 PM The Duncan's 7:00 PM

- Video Greeting: Bishop Tim Coalter, Presiding Bishop
- · Praise/Worship: Youth Praise Team with Caleb Adams
- · Devotion/Prayer: Pastor Adam and Amanda Cothren, Darien
- · Convention Offering: Pastor Kelly Pope, Warner Robins
- · Healing Testimony: Sid Renfro, Special Guest
- · Praise/Worship: Youth Praise Team with Caleb Adams
- · Message: Bishop Billy Adams, Georgia State Bishop
- · Prayer for Healings
- Dismissal: Dr. Larry Lowry, Convention Coordinator

## Youth "Convention Connection" Friday Night

(No charge!)
Location:
The Assembly "Student Center"
Youth come join us for some
food and fun.

### Calling all Youth!

This is a personal invitation to join the fun, food, & pickleball!

There will be lots of activities going throughout the night following service until midnight.

### Saturday Morning July 22, 2023

(Nursery provided 9:00 AM until Noon for ages 0-4 years.) 9:00 AM

- Praise/Worship: Praise Team "District 7" with Nadene Moss
- Devotion/Prayer: Dr. Morais Cassell, Macon HRC
- Children's Ministries Presentation: Kaylie Harper Coordinating
- Love Offering for State Bishop: Pastor Scott Smith, Hickory Flat
- Healing Testimony: Nadene Moss
- Praise/Worship: Praise Team "District 7" with Nadene Moss
- Message: Dr. Cathy Payne, International Representative
- Appointments: Bishop Billy W. Adams, Georgia State Bishop
- Prayer of Consecration
- Greeting Pastors
- Dismissal of Convention: Bishop Billy W. Adams

### Make sure you hashtag your **State Convention Photos** #gacogop and #gacogopconvention



### **Upcoming Events 2023**

September 15-16, 2023

JOY (Just Older Youth) Ministries

September 29-30, 2023

November 17-19, 2023

GU 2023 (Generation Unleashed)

#### **Upcoming Events 2024**

January 26-27, 2024 February 23-25, 2024 April 19-21, 2024 April 26-27, 2024

LDD (Leadership Development) N2Y Camp 2024

Georgia Ladies Conference 2024 Georgia Men's Conference 2024

# **Prayer Break**

### Please join us in the "Fireside Room" for a time of prayer.

Thursday Evening @ 6:30 PM with Pastor Keith Burch

Friday Morning @ 9:00 AM with Pastor Jerry Mullaly

Friday Evening @ 6:30 PM with Pastor John Benning

Saturday Morning @ 8:30 AM with Pastor Scott Smith



Scan this QR Code and leave your prayer requests.

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:6-7 KJV



Plant 500 new congregations & have 2000 healthy congregations in North America by 2030.



#multiply2030

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## Children's Convention



Children Ages 5-11

Children's Convention will be in the Children's building. Kaylie Harper and the Children's Ministry Team are coordinating the special activities.

#### Schedule

Thursday Evening, July 20, 2023

6:30- 7:00 PM 7:00- 9:00 PM

Registration Service Time

9:00 PM

Dismissal to Parent

Friday Morning, July 21, 2023

9:00-9:30 AM 9:30-12:00 Noon Registration Service Time

12:00 Noon

Dismissal to Parent

Friday Afternoon, July 21, 2023

1:45 PM

Registration

2:00-4:15 PM 4:15 PM

Service Time Dismissal

Friday Evening, July 21, 2023

6:30- 7:00 PM 7:00- 9:00 PM

Registration

9:00 PM

Service Time Dismissal to Parent

Saturday Morning, July 22, 2023

8:45 AM

Meet in Children's Church Area

Children's Program

Parents, please pick children up following the Children's program on Saturday morning in the Foyer Area.

### **Nursery Schedule**



Children Ages 0-4

There will be a nursery! Deedee Buglino and Kaleigh Pounds are coordinating the special activities for the nursery.

#### Schedule

Thursday Evening, July 20, 2023 6:30–7:00 PM 7:00–9:00 PM

9:00 PM

Registration Fun Time

Dismissal to Parent

Registration

Fun Time

Friday Morning, July 21, 2023 9:00– 9:30 AM 9:30– 12:00 Noon

12:00 Noon

Friday Afternoon, July 21, 2023

1:45-2:00 PM

2:00-4:15 PM

4:15 PM

Registration

Fun Time Dismissal to Parent

Dismissal to Parent

Friday Evening, July 21, 2023

6:30– 7:00 PM 7:00– 9:00 PM

9:00 PM

Registration Fun Time

Dismissal to Parent

Saturday Morning, July 22, 2023

8:45-9:00 AM

12:00 Noon

9:00-12:00 Noon

Registration

Fun Time

Dismissal to Parent

We will look forward to seeing your children in the nursery!

### Camp Coordinator and Directors

Camp Coordinator

Ben/Hannah Oliver

Senior Camp Directors

Caleb Adams,

Zachary/Jaycee Cain

Junior Camp Director

Betsy Crane

Freshman Camp Directors

Nicholas J./Tami Vaporis

**Explorers Camp Directors** 

Alice Hardin

"Generation Unleashed" Youth

Caleb Adams, Zachary Cain

Betsy Crane, Beth Hutto

N2Y (Not Too Young) Camp

Gladys Hawkins

### **District Overseers**

District 1	Danny Stilwell
District 2	Bobby Musgrove
District 3	Hardy T. Crosby
District 4	Hardy T. Crosby
District 5	T. Mark Minter
District 6	Clinton Fields, Jr.
District 7	Lloyd G. Phipps, Sr.
District 8	Phillip V. Bevel
District 9	Larry Lowry
District 10	James Kanaday
District 11	Danny Hughes
District 12	Ronnie Chandler
District 13	Edwin Puckett



### State Finance and Stewardship Committee:

Bishop Billy W. Adams, Chairperson

John Paul Benning, Ronnie Chandler, Randall Dockery, Jerry Gaddis, Dannie M. Hix, Matthew McEachern, Lloyd G. Phipps Sr., Edwin Puckett, Ken Robinson

### State Board of Directors:

Billy W. Adams, Randall Dockery, Lloyd G. Phipps, Sr., Ken Robinson

### Ministerial Review Board

Bishop Billy W. Adams, Chairperson

Randall Dockery, Clinton Fields, Jr., Jerry Gaddis, Dannie M. Hix, John R. Hutto, Jr., Lloyd G. Phipps, Sr., Larry Lowry, Edwin Puck-

Leadership Development (CBL): Dr. Larry Lowry and Dr. Morais Cassell



Give to your Camp Echeconnee. "Love My Camp Echeconnee" Scan the QR code to the right and type in the description, "Love My Camp Echeconnee".



### **Convention Management**

Convention Coordinator: Pastor Larry Lowry

Production/Stage Engineer: Aaron Highsmith

Clerk: Cami Dixon, Diane Flowers, Joyce Hughes, Anna Knox, Sheila Ryals, Dana Southern, Paulette Thompson

Ushers/Convention Security:

Chad McDaniel, Security Coordinator

John Paul Benning, Usher Coordinator Justin Bailey, Assistant Usher Coordinator

Johnathan Brown, Eric Dixon, Riley Flowers, Erik Glotfelty, Jeremy Haynes, Danny Hughes, John Kersey, Ronald Leger, Kevin Nugent, Jerry Smith, Jerry Mullaly, and Stephen Parrish

Photographer: Debbie Dean, Myranda Mosely, Bobbie Robinson

You and I are fearfully and wonderfully made and knitted together by the Creator of the Universe. The complexity of our bodies is incredible. The human body has 37.2 trillion cells. In a lifetime our heart beats approximately 2 billion times. If our vessels and capillaries were linked end to end, the length would circle the world more than twice. How can this possibly be? GOD, only GOD!

God created the heavens and the earth. Nothing is impossible with Him. He is unlimited. He heals the sick, calms storms, raises the dead, and cast out demons. Jesus is the Word made flesh. The Creator left the grandeur of Heaven to dwell among His creation. Be encouraged and know that He is God and you are His. You can trust Him. He knows you by name. His love for you cannot be put into simple words. Be reminded that you are so loved by Him and by us.

-Bishop Adams and Charlotte Adams

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### Appointments

Acworth	John Paul Benning
Adairsville	Donna Walraven
Alma	Randall Clayton Browning
Ashburn Living Waters Fellowship	Marcus Rolle
Atkinson	Raymond F. Willis
Augusta	Steven Airey
Axson	Steven Anderson
Baxley	
Blackshear Word of Life Worship	Ronnie Sharpe
Bloomingdale Fellowship	T. Mark Minter
Braselton	Danny Peek
BrunswickRandall K. Doc	kery/Associate Harold Hand
Buford Covenant	Gary O. Robinson
Camp Branch	Ricky A. Knox
Carters Chapel	Andrew Kersey
Cartersville	J. A. Martin
Cedartown	Interim David Cain
Chatsworth Central Community Chur	ch Edwin Puckett
Claxton Liberty Fellowship	Johnathan Brown
Cochran Grace Chapel	Harold Jay Thornton, Jr.
Columbus Fortson RoadGreg a	
Columbus Northside	.In the Care of State Bishop
Columbus Sonshine Acres	
Conyers New Dimension Ministries	Michael Daley
Cordele 2nd Ave	
Cordele "A Servant Church"	Shakita Anderson
Cumming Safe Harbor	Barney Johns
Dahlonega The Fountain	•
Dalton Underwood	
Darien	

Dawsonville	
Decatur Covington Drive	Lloyd G. Phipps, Sr
Decatur Glenwood	
Dewy Rose	James Tyler Freemar
Douglas Cornerstone	.Matthew D. McEacherr
Douglasville	Larry Lowry
Eatonton	John F. Reynolds
Ellijay Faith Chapel	Dottie Williams
Eulonia	Danny Stilwell
Fayetteville	Taylor Fields
Gainesville Bethel Tabernacle	James D. Kanaday
Gainesville Encounter Church	Brian Harrison
Griffin	Interim Michael Bugh
Hartwell	Danny E. Hughes, Sr.
Hazlehurst	Randy E. Manning
Hickory Flat Fellowship	Scott Smith
Homeland Mar	y Weaver King, Director
Homerville Victory Chapel	
Hortense	John R. Hutto, Jr.
Hoschton	Jerry Gaddis
Jesup	Gary Ryals
Jonesboro	Lesley Roberts
LaFayette New Life Worship Center	James R. Ellis
Life in Christ Ministries	Ronny Grant
Lindale	
Lithonia New Life Ministries Worship	Earl Holborough
Lyons	Michael B. Poppell
Mableton	
Macon Houston Road	
Macon Revival Fire Ministries	Thomas R. Black
Marietta Christ Worship Center	Gary Lewis
Marietta Haitian	Louiner Pierre-Louis

McDonough I	District Overseer, Lloyd Phipps
McDonough	W C Shaffer
Moultrie	Interim Jerry Mullaly
Mt. Green	Tammy P. James
Nicholls	
Oak Hill	
Olive Springs	Lawrence J. Small
Pantertown	Brad Hyatt
Pearson	Hardy T. Crosby
Pinetucky Rentz	Interim Greg Alligood
Plainville	Ronnie Chandler
Poulan	Timothy Mathews
Powder Springs Christian Fellowsh	ipErik Glotfelty
Raybon	R. Paul Rhoden
Riverdale Ext Hands Ministries P	hillip Bevel, District Overseer
Rome	
Rossville	
Senoia	
Shannon	
Snellville	Samuel L. Wilkinson
Springfield	Hilliard A. Lang
St. Marys	
Sterling	
Stockbridge	
Stone Mountain Liberty	
Suwannee Chapel	
Tifton Sonrise	
Trion Harvest Worship Center	
Tunnel Hill	
Valdosta Azalea City Villa Rica Grace Life	
Walaska	
Waleska	Dottie Williams

Warner Robins Harvest Christian	FellowshipG. Kelly Pope, Jr.
Waycross Crossview	Keith Burch
Waycross Gilchrist	Eric Dixon
Wilsonville	Randy McQuaig
	Debra Williams

### Mission Churches:

Covington Salem Road	.Ewart G. Lee
Stone Mountain	Ansel Rowe

### **Healing**

### **Scripture**

Christ is our
Healer
there is no disease
He cannot heal.

Jeremiah 17:14 1 Peter 2:24 Jeremiah 30:17 Exodus 23:25 James 5:14 Proverbs 4:20-22 Psalm 147:3 Jeremiah 3:22 Exodus 15:26 Matthew 11:28 Mark 9:23 Psalm 147:3 Isaiah 41:10 Psalm 107:19-21 Isaiah 53:4-5 James 5:14-15 Jeremiah 33:6 Isaiah 53:5 Psalm 146:8 3 John 2 Psalm 41:3 Acts 10:38 Psalm 147:2 Mark 10:52 Psalm 73:26 Luke 8:50 Psalm 103:2-4 Psalm 30:2 Revelation 21:4 Psalm 107:19-21



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### **State Conference**

# GEORGIA

On His Mind



Scan the QR Code to give to State Convention Expense Fund 2023.

Mark Your Calendars
Our Global Homecoming
The International Assembly
of the Church of God of Prophecy
will be held
July 31 – August 4, 2024

at the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort in Orlando, Florida.



Scan the QR Code to the left to register for our Convention. You may also register at the usher's table in the foyer.

Everyone please register once.

### Announcement:

If you are on program, please meet Dr. Larry Lowry in the conference room located on the left side of the building, prior to the session you are scheduled for to receive prayer and instructions.