



## The World Reformed Fellowship

# **Fourth General Assembly**

Holiday Inn Parque Anhembi, São Paulo, Brazil Monday, March 23 - Friday, March 27, 2015

# Reformed Theology and the Mission of God in the 21st Century: Critical Issues Facing the Global Church

The General Assembly will address critical issues facing the church so that "the strengths of some will become the strengths of all in the service of Jesus Christ."

The Assembly begins each day with worship and biblical exposition. Our preacher at the Opening Service is Dr. Davi Gomes (Brazil); at the Closing Service, Rev. Robert Benn (Australia). Every morning, Dr. Chris Wright of England will lead us in a study of Scripture.

This global event is one way the WRF builds networks of evangelical Reformed Christians around the world.

Two official meetings of the full World Reformed Fellowship General Assembly will be held at which time, among other things, a new Board of Directors will be elected.

The General Assembly and Conference are co-hosted by the Presbyterian Church of Brazil (www.ipb.org.br) and Mackenzie Presbyterian University (www.mackenzie.br)

For further information, contact Dr. Samuel Logan at sloganwrf@gmail.com

#### **TOPICS and SPEAKERS**

1) The Challenge of Islam and the Establishment of Islam Ministry Resource Centers.

Plenary sessions - Christine Schirrmacher (Germany) and Stephen Tong (Indonesia)

Workshop leaders – James Anderson (USA), John Muether (USA), Rick Oakes (South Africa), and Ben Intan (Indonesia)

Islam Ministry Consultation (by invitation only) - Edward Ayub (Bangladesh), Fikret Bocek (Turkey), Sasan Tavasoli (Iran), and others.

2) Sexual Abuse in Religious Environments, Human trafficking, and Gender violence

Plenary sessions - Diane Langberg (USA), Phil Monroe (USA), Boz Tchividjian (USA), Jim Gamble (Northern Ireland), and Beatrie Kruger (South Africa)

Workshop leaders/panel discussion participants – All of the above plus Raju Sundas (Nepal) and Grahame Kerr (Australia)

3) Transdenominational Ministries Which the WRF Particularly Commends to Its Members

Plenary Sessions - Doug Birdsall (USA), Chris Wright (UK), Ron Scates (USA), Ligon Duncan (USA), David Baer (USA), and Thomas Schirrmacher (Germany)

Workshop leaders - All of the above plus Ben Homan (USA)

4) The Prosperity Gospel and the Compassion of Christians for the World

Plenary sessions - Flip Buys (South Africa) and Sheryl Haw (the UK)

Workshops and Discussion groups – The above plus Koos Richards (South Africa) and Peterson Sozi (Uganda)

5) Faithful Ministry in the Context of Discussions of Gay Rights and Activities

Plenary sessions – Augustus Nicodemus Lopes (Brazil) and Kin Yip Louie (Hong Kong)

6) Global Church Planting with Special Focus on Latin America.

Plenary sessions – Steve Childers (USA) and representatives of the Presbyterian Church of Brazil, the National Presbyterian Church of Mexico, and Mission to the World (Andres Garza, Mexico)

Panel discussion - All of the individuals listed above

NOTE: A detailed daily schedule for the Assembly is available here: <a href="http://wrfnet.org/events/2015/03/4th-general-assembly-wrf#.VCVoa6R0wdU">http://wrfnet.org/events/2015/03/4th-general-assembly-wrf#.VCVoa6R0wdU</a>

#### **Special Arrangements for OFFICIAL Denominational Representatives**

Those attending the Assembly as *representatives of WRF member denominations* will have specific times and space to meet and discuss topics of mutual interest. This will likely be during meal times but, if desired and possible, representatives might meet for an extended time on Thursday afternoon between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m.

## **Register**

To register for the Assembly, Click here: General Assembly Registration

## Cost

These fees DO NOT include accommodations or meals.

Register on or before February 1, 2015:

Full General Assembly \$250.00 USD Individual Sessions \$25.00 USD each

Registrations from February 2 to March 1, 2015:

Full General Assembly \$300.00 USD Individual sessions \$50.00 USD each

Space is limited and all reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis.

\*\*All registrations must be made in advance. Last day to register: March 1, 2015.

## **Hotel Information**

Accommodations may be reserved at any of the following locations:

(All have been reviewed and approved by our local hosts.)

The Holiday Inn Parque Anhembi

http://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/sao-paulo/saocc/hoteldetail

The Novotel Sao Paulo Center Norte

http://www.novotel.com/gb/hotel-2992-novotel-sao-paulo-center-norte/index.shtml

The Luz Plaza Sao Paulo

http://www.booking.com/hotel/br/luz-plaza-sao-paulo.html

Ibis Expo Barra Funda

http://www.ibis.com/pt-br/hotel-2211--ibis-sao-paulo-expo/index.shtml

Hotel Panamby São Paulo

http://www.hotelpanambysaopaulo.com.br

NOTE: The options above are international business/tourist hotels. The option below is not a hotel but, as its name suggests, a HOSTEL. Remember this when considering this property.

The Connection Hostel

http://www.booking.com/hotel/br/the-connection.en-

us.html?aid=318615;label=New\_English\_EN\_CAUS\_5226330745-

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# **Live Streaming and Recording**

Mackenzie University will arrange for live Internet streaming of all Assembly plenary sessions (with the possible exception of *Dr. Christine Schirrmacher's* presentation on Islam). Mackenzie University will also record (audio only) all plenary sessions.

