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February 2009

Dear Delegate/Visitor:

We wish to welcome you as a delegate to the Twelfth Biennial Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. The Convention meets in Vancouver, British Columbia, June 25-28, 2009. The Convention starts Thursday, June 25 at 1:30 pm with Opening Worship followed by the first business session at 3:30 pm. An orientation session will be included at the beginning of the business session. Registration for delegates will occur at The Gage Towers, University of British Columbia on Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 9:00 pm for delegates arriving on Wednesday and also Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm. The Convention will adjourn at 10:30 am on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> after the Closing Worship service.

Together with this letter, you are receiving the following:

1. Information Letter #1
2. Registration Form
3. Accommodation Information and Form
4. A Service of Blessing of Delegates

Please read the Convention information letter carefully. Begin your plans for the Convention now!

- Make travel/flight arrangements anytime after February 20th with Michelle Thorvaldson at Continental Travel Group 1-800-665-2626 or [mtctg@mts.net](mailto:mtctg@mts.net). Michelle will arrange your travel and charge the travel cost to the Convention (quote order #69100). Payment for your ticket is included in your registration fee.
- Complete the registration form and return it to us with your registration fee of \$955.00 (or applicable fee) as soon as possible or by March 13<sup>th</sup> at the latest. Be sure to indicate your arrival time and flight number.
- Make your accommodation arrangements by completing the accommodation form and sending the applicable fee along with your registration form.
- Pray for our church and this Convention that it may be a time of blessing and inspiration for all. Please have your congregation use the "Service of Blessing" the Sunday before the Convention.

Please complete the registration and accommodation forms and return them with your payment before March 13, 2009. If your spouse plans to attend as a visitor, please photocopy your form or download a copy from our website at [www.elcic.ca](http://www.elcic.ca). Only one person per registration form, please. Visitors are most welcome. We look forward to seeing you in June 2009.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don W. Storch".

Don W. Storch  
Secretary

Enclosures

**Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada**

12<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention—June 25-28, 2009—University of British Columbia, Vancouver British Columbia  
302-393 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3B 3H6—Toll free 1-888-786-6707 (ext. 177)—Fax 204-984-9185—Website: [www.elcic.ca](http://www.elcic.ca)



**TWELFTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION  
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA**

University of British Columbia,  
Vancouver, British Columbia

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**Information Letter #1**

This letter provides information for delegates and visitors in making arrangements for travel to Vancouver, British Columbia and their participation in the ELCIC National Convention. If you have questions or concerns or need assistance in any way, please e-mail or call:

Barb Wiebe  
Convention Registrar  
302-393 Portage Avenue  
Winnipeg MB R3B 3H6

Phone: 204-984-9177  
Toll free: 1-888-786-6707 ext. 177  
Email: [bwiebe@elcic.ca](mailto:bwiebe@elcic.ca)

The Convention will be held at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia from June 25 to 28, 2009. The Convention starts on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm with opening worship followed by the first business session at 3:30 pm. Transportation from and to the airport will be provided to delegates staying on campus. Registration for delegates will occur in the Fireplace Lounge at The Gage Towers UBC, on Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm for the delegates arriving on Wednesday, and also on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm.

**REGISTRATION**

**Delegates:** The registration form is enclosed. **Please read carefully, complete all sections of the form, and return by March 13, 2009 with all available information and your payment.** Your arrival and departure times are important to the local committee arranging transportation from the Vancouver Airport to the University. Please indicate on the registration form if you have any special transportation requirements.

The registration fee of **\$955.00** to be paid by your parish/congregation should be made out to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC) and enclosed with your registration form and mailed to ELCIC, 302-393 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3B 3H6.

**Note: Accommodations are not included in the registration fee.**

Registration times at the University are from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> and from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Visitors:** The registration form may also be used by visitors. A photocopy of the form will be accepted. A copy of the registration form will also be available at [www.elcic.ca](http://www.elcic.ca). The visitor registration fee schedule is as follows:

- a. \$290 with meals, no accommodations, a copy of the Bulletin of Reports, and refreshments which will be provided in the morning and the afternoon.
- b. \$190 **without** meals, no accommodations, a copy of the Bulletin of Reports, and refreshments which will be provided in the morning and the afternoon.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

The registration fee does **not** include accommodation for registered delegates or visitors. All delegates and visitors are responsible for booking of their own accommodations. Payment for delegate accommodation is the responsibility of the delegate's congregation. Accommodation expenses **will not** be reimbursed.

Accommodations are available on campus at the University of British Columbia. Attached is a listing of all available accommodations. To register for on campus accommodations, complete the attached accommodation form and forward your payment along with your registration form to ELCIC, 302-393 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3B 3H6.

**Note: No reservations for accommodations will be accepted after May 13, 2009.**

The University of British Columbia is situated on Vancouver's Point Grey Peninsula, surrounded by temperate rainforest and sandy beaches. UBC's natural setting is complemented by nearby shops and restaurants located within walking distance of guest rooms and meeting space.

The University features the Museum of Anthropology, Botanical Gardens, and plenty of other great attractions. UBC also offers an Aquatic Centre with Olympic-sized indoor and outdoor pools, The University Golf Club and other athletic facilities available to the public. Vancouver's best hiking trails and beaches are located right on campus, throughout Pacific Spirit Park.

## TRAVEL

Delegate travel is to be arranged through Michelle Thorvaldson of Continental Travel Group. You may arrange your travel after February 20<sup>th</sup>, but before April 13, 2009. Fill in this information on the registration form or if arrangements are made after the registration deadline, please contact National Office with your travel information. Visitors and spouses are also welcome to use this service. If you have an airline frequent flyer membership, you will be eligible to earn points with your booking.

The approved Convention airfare for delegates is the least expensive applicable fare. If you are taking the train or bus, the most economical applicable fare will be reimbursed. Special requests for extensions or additions to your itinerary will be accommodated; however, any additional costs above the approved fare will be your responsibility. Delegate travel only will be billed directly to the Convention account. Visitors or spouses are responsible for paying their own travel expenses, including the service fee.

To book your travel please call **Michelle Thorvaldson** at toll free **1-800-665-2626** or in Winnipeg at **204-989-8581**. Alternately, your request may be faxed at 204-989-9323 or sent by e-mail to **mtctg@mts.net** (quote purchase order number 69100). Michelle will respond to your e-mail or telephone message within two business day. Michelle will be available for booking after **February 20, 2009**.

Please book your travel as early as possible to ensure that the schedule you require will be available at the lowest price. Note: Seat selection and airplane meal purchases are not covered by the Convention travel. Please provide Michelle with your credit card number to cover these costs. If you are interested in travel health insurance, please speak to Michelle. We recommend that all airline travel be booked by **April 13, 2009**.

Travel for the Convention will be by electronic ticket (Michelle will ask you for an e-mail address). Rather than a paper ticket, Michelle will provide you with an itinerary complete with a confirmation number. On presentation of that confirmation number and photo identification at the airline counter, you will be issued a boarding pass for your flight. Advance seat selection, special meal requests and frequent flyer accrual will be handled in the normal manner.

Please note that some airlines do not allow us to transfer a purchased airline ticket to another delegate. Therefore, if you book an air ticket, and later cannot attend the Convention, you will be personally

responsible for this ticket.

Transportation from and to Vancouver airport will be provided on the evening of Wednesday, June 24, 2009 from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm and on Thursday, June 25, 2009 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Car rental expenses will not be reimbursed.

- Insurance:
1. Trip cancellation will not be reimbursed as a delegate expense.
  2. The Convention has an accident insurance policy to cover delegates and visitors while at the Convention.

National Church Council and other committee meetings will occur prior to the Convention. Please check with your council/committee contact prior to making your travel arrangements.

### **TRANSPORTATION FROM AND TO AIRPORT**

Upon arrival in Vancouver, transportation for delegates from the airport to the University will only be provided on Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm and on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Visitors will be responsible for their own transportation. After the closing worship on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, buses to the Vancouver airport will leave from the University between 10:30 am and 1:00 pm.

Please complete the travel section on the registration form so that transportation arrangements can be made by our Local Arrangements Committee.

### **CAR TRAVEL**

Delegates choosing to travel by car will be reimbursed at a rate of 14 cents per km for one delegate, plus 2 cents per km for each additional delegate, up to the equivalent cost of an air ticket based on the excursion rate approved for the Convention. If you are staying at the University, please note that parking is available at lots close to the Student Union Building and the War Memorial Gym.

### **PARKING**

Limited parking is available at The Gage Towers and West Coast Suites for registered guests and can be arranged upon check-in in Vancouver.

Parking information and maps are available on the University of British Columbia website at [www.parking.ubc.ca/visitor.html](http://www.parking.ubc.ca/visitor.html). The North Parkade at 6115 Student Union Boulevard is the closest parking facility to the Convention events.

### **CONVENTION PARTICIPATION**

Please plan to arrive on time to register for the Convention on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Upon registering you will receive a name tag which is required for **all meals** and Convention events.

**Forum break-out sessions** will occur on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm. Please see the attachment at the end of this information letter to view the topics being presented. Indicate three (3) choices in order of preference on the registration form. As long as space permits, you will be registered for your first choice.

On Saturday evening from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm a special event is being planned which will include awards and entertainment, please indicate on the registration form if you will be attending.

The Convention will end at 10:30 am Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> after the Closing Worship Service. Buses to the Vancouver Airport will leave between 10:30 am and 1:00 pm on Sunday.

Please find attached a 2009 National Convention Program at a Glance which summarizes Convention events as of this letter.

### **YOUTH ASSEMBLY PARTICIPANTS**

The date for the Youth Assembly is June 24-28, 2009. Youth Assembly participants will meet one day prior to the beginning of the Convention in order to begin to build community among themselves, to learn about Convention procedures, and to build connections with local youth. Youth Assembly participants are appointed by their synods. **The registration fee is \$390 per participant.**

Information for youth delegates will be provided in a separate Youth Assembly Information Letter. The ELCIC website is another source of information for Youth Assembly delegates. For further information regarding the Youth Assembly, contact Rev. Paul Gehrs, Assistant to the Bishop at [pgehrs@elcic.ca](mailto:pgehrs@elcic.ca) or 204-984-9156.

### **MEALS**

Nine meals are included in your delegate registration fee and are available to visitors as per the fee schedule on page 1 of the information letter. All meals are at the University. Please note that if you eat elsewhere, receipts for meals eaten off campus will not be reimbursed.

Breakfast	Friday to Sunday
Lunch	Thursday to Saturday
Dinner	Thursday to Saturday

### **DONATIONS**

If you wish, you may donate some, or all of your expense reimbursements back to ELCIC. To do so, the Charities Directorate of the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) dictates that donations must pass through the bank accounts of both the donor and the donee. Therefore, a separate cheque from you is required to be made payable to ELCIC.

ELCIC will forward our reimbursement cheque to you. You may either provide a cheque to ELCIC with your expense report, or you may wait for the reimbursement cheque and then issue a separate cheque back to ELCIC. A tax deductible charitable donation receipt will be issued for all donations to ELCIC.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

The Local Arrangements Committee is recruiting volunteers to assist during the Convention. If you are coming as a visitor and would like to be involved as a volunteer, please indicate this on the registration form and describe your area of interest.

### **CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION**

An acknowledgement of receipt of your registration form and payment will be forwarded to you by email.

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Our next mailing containing the Bulletin of Reports will occur at the beginning of May 2009. Please indicate on the registration form whether you want to receive a printed copy or you will download your copy from our website.

Check our Website at [www.elcic.ca](http://www.elcic.ca) for Convention information as it becomes available. A copy of this Information Letter #1 can also be found there.

## ATTACHMENT - FORUM OUTLINES

On Friday afternoon, June 26 from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm, delegates and visitors to the Convention will have the opportunity to attend a forum that focuses on ministry that is both a *Sign of Hope* and is *In Mission for Others*. Each forum is designed to be interactive, and to include a "take home" element that will help people to express faithful mission in their local contexts. This is not merely more information; it is a chance to be in conversation about how we are a part of God's mission now, and how we might be a part of God's mission in the future.

The forums have been chosen to highlight some of the ways that we, the ELCIC, are living out the priorities expressed by the Five Pillars: *Effective Partnerships, Diverse Faces, Compassionate Justice, Focused Framework and Spirited Discipleship*. By naming signs of hope, we both express gratitude for what is happening, and are inspired to discern other opportunities to share the good news of Christ. It is our hope, that a first sign of hope will be a mild disappointment that you only get to choose one!

### *Effective Partnerships*

- #1. **In Mission for Peace in the Middle East:** Mission in the World presents special guest the Rev. Dr. Munib Younan, Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL). Bishop Younan will share the ELCJHL's message of hope and cooperation for a just peace through education, human rights advocacy and interfaith dialogue in Jordan, Palestine, Israel and throughout the Middle East. Included in this forum is an update on the integration of the Mission in the World program with ELCA Global Mission, and an opportunity to thank Kelvin Krieger for his years of dedicated service to the ELCIC through Mission in the World.

**Presenter:** Rev. Dr. Munib Younan, Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land

- #2. **Lutheran World Federation-A Communion of Churches:** We are 68 million Lutheran Christians together in a communion of churches we call the Lutheran World Federation (LWF). The Regional Officer for North America, the Rev. Teresita (Tita) Valeriano, will share in an engaging and interactive way what this means for us as ELCIC, within the region, and across the Communion. Bishop Dr. Munib Younan, of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, and also LWF Vice-President for Asia, will also join us to share a few thoughts on what the LWF means to him and to his church. You'll also hear about the next LWF Assembly in Stuttgart, Germany, in July of 2010, the Pre-Assembly for North America in January of 2010, in Kitchener-Waterloo. Please come and find out more about your communion, and what it can mean to you and your parish and synod.

**Presenters:** The Rev. Tita Valeriano, LWF North America  
Rev. Dr. Munib Younan, Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land

### *Diverse Faces*

- #3. **Mission to Post-Modern Saskatoon:** In 2007, Saskatchewan Synod launched an emerging church ministry in downtown Saskatoon aimed at reaching those not part of the mainstream Protestant communion. In an experimental venture, the challenge was to take scripture, sacrament, worship and service into today's public gathering places. Start with relationships, not with land! What's happening? What has been learned? What does this mean?

**Presenter:** Rev. Chad Moir, Mission Developer, Post-modern Saskatoon

**#4. Meeting Our Muslim Neighbours:** There are now more Muslims in Canada than Lutherans. This project assists ELCIC congregations and their pastors in engaging their Muslim neighbours in conversation. This interfaith initiative helps grassroots church members meet their Muslim counterparts in discussion about faith, worship, and service, as well as ordinary aspects of their lives. Through new ways of understanding and working with Muslim neighbours, we move to a more inclusive and community-centred society. In listening, and learning about their faith, we also discover more about our own.

**Presenters:** The Rev. Dr. Volker Greifenhagen, SK  
The Rev. Michael Kurtz, MNO  
The Rev. Terry Martin, BC

### *Compassionate Justice*

**#5. Canadian Lutheran World Relief:** Did you know you've built 135 fishponds, planted over 143,000 trees, re-settled 80 refugees and stitched over 5,480 quilts in the last year? Yes, as a member of the ELCIC, you can claim this work as your own through Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR)! We are your Lutheran relief and development agency. Come and see the impact of this life-giving work and also hear about new and exciting ways you and your congregation will want to get involved.

**Presenters:** Mr. Robert Granke CLWR  
Ms. Daranne Harris CLWR

**#6. Homelessness: A Call to Mission:** The need to have a safe home is essential to physical, mental and spiritual well-being. In partnership with the Anglican Church of Canada, the ELCIC is seeking to respond faithfully to housing issues. Compassionate Justice calls the Church to journey as companions with homeless people, and to advocate for access to adequate housing for all. Two ministries of the B.C. Synod will share their stories and lead reflection.

**Presenters:** Lutheran Urban Mission Society (LUMS)  
Surrey Urban Mission Society (SUMS)

### *Focused Framework*

**#7. Whither the ELCIC: Good Conventions, Great Communication, Effective Structure:** This is an opportunity to meet with officers from the National Church and the synods to discuss the future directions of our church. How might we restructure ourselves to provide good conventions, great communications and an effective structure? Come and let your voice be heard!

**Presenters:** National Officers  
Synod Officers

### *Spirited Discipleship*

**#8. Committed to Community:** In this interactive session you will be guided through several opportunities to explore, pray, laugh, create and encounter a community in action. It will be an introduction to the dynamic community that Evangelical Lutheran Women Inc. is creating to inspire faith based learning, biblical reflection and action in an overwhelming world. Enter into the room prepared to be moving, talking, learning and expect to take home a new vision based on valued traditions.

**Presenters:** Ruth Vince, ELW Executive Director  
Pam Radunsky, National ELW President

**#9. Growing Generous Givers:** Working together as a church *In Mission for Others* means that we respond generously, as Spirited Disciples, with our stewardship - the sharing of our time, talents and resources that we have been first given by God. Tired of doing the same old stewardship program and seeing the same results? This session will explore how to revitalize your stewardship programs, based on a "relationship style" approach to stewardship, concentrating on bringing people into community and empowering them to be generous givers and Spirited Disciples.

**Presenter:** Bruce Cowburn, Revenue Generation Animator, British Columbia Conference  
The United Church of Canada

**#10. Spirited Disciples—Energizing your congregation:** “God calls us, through Word and Sacrament, to be disciples and to make disciples,” begins the ELCIC’s Evangelical Declaration (1997). Many of us sense our congregations are being called to participate more passionately in God’s mission. How do we tune into the Spirit? How do we express our discipleship? How do we get started and move forward? Participants will hear about initiatives from across the country that are energizing congregations just like yours to share the Gospel.

**Presenters:** *The Evangelizing Church Project* (ABT Synod)  
*Taking It Home* (Eastern Synod)  
First Lutheran, Vancouver





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**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**Registration Deadline: March 13, 2009**

**DELEGATE / VISITOR**  
**REGISTRATION FORM**

**RETURN TO:** Barb Wiebe  
Convention Registrar, ELCIC  
302-393 Portage Avenue  
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 3H6

**TO REGISTER:**

Please complete this form in detail and return it with your payment as soon as possible but no later than MARCH 13, 2009. If your spouse wishes to attend the convention and is not a delegate, they are required to register as a visitor. Please photocopy this form or download a copy from [www.elcic.ca](http://www.elcic.ca) for their use. Submit one form per attendee please. Thank you!

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Title \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Female  Male

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Province \_\_\_\_\_ PC \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Synod: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation/Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Category:

<input type="checkbox"/> Ordained Delegate	<input type="checkbox"/> Diaconal Minister	<input type="checkbox"/> National Church Council	<input type="checkbox"/> Visitor	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Committee
<input type="checkbox"/> Lay Delegate	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Assembly	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Guest	<input type="checkbox"/> Media	<input type="checkbox"/> ELCIC Staff

**VOLUNTEERS:**

- I am willing to volunteer as a communion server at the Opening Worship Service on Thursday, June 25, 2009.
- I am willing to volunteer as a communion server at the Morning Service on Friday, June 26, 2009.
- I am willing to volunteer as a communion server at the Morning Service on Saturday, June 27, 2009.
- I am willing to volunteer as a communion server at the Closing Worship Service on Sunday, June 28, 2009.
- If a Visitor, I am willing to be a volunteer at the convention. Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER:** Check box if response is "Yes".

- I will be attending the special event on Saturday evening, June 27, 2009.

**BULLETIN OF REPORTS:** Check off the appropriate box.

- Send me a printed copy of the reports  I will download my copy of the reports from the ELCIC website.

**FORUM – BREAKOUT SESSIONS:** List 3 choices in order of preference.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR DELEGATES ONLY:**

Please specify travel for Convention only. Do not include vacation prior to or after Convention. For airline reservations, please call toll free 1-800-665-2626 and ask for Michelle Thorvaldson, Travel Counselor. Please quote purchase order #69100 (Delegates Only).

Arrival Date: _____	Departure Date: _____
Arrival Time: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> am or <input type="checkbox"/> pm	Departure Time: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> am or <input type="checkbox"/> pm
By: <input type="checkbox"/> Plane <input type="checkbox"/> Train	By: <input type="checkbox"/> Plane <input type="checkbox"/> Train
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<input type="checkbox"/> Pickup from Airport Required	<input type="checkbox"/> Pickup from University Required
Carrier: _____	Carrier: _____
Flight No.: _____	Flight No.: _____
Coming from: _____	Going to: _____

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<p><b>PAYMENT ENCLOSED:</b></p> <p><b>Delegates:</b> (includes all meals but no accommodations)</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Registration Fee</td> <td>\$955</td> <td>\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">(Non-refundable after June 1, 2009)</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Visitors:</b> (no accommodations)</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Registration Fee - with meals</td> <td>\$290</td> <td>\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Registration Fee - without meals</td> <td>\$190</td> <td>\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">(Non-refundable after June 1, 2009)</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Youth Assembly Participant:</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Registration Fee</td> <td>\$390</td> <td>\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">(Non-refundable after June 1, 2009)</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Total Enclosed</b> \$ _____</p> <p>(Make your cheque payable to ELCIC)</p>	Registration Fee	\$955	\$ _____	(Non-refundable after June 1, 2009)			Registration Fee - with meals	\$290	\$ _____	Registration Fee - without meals	\$190	\$ _____	(Non-refundable after June 1, 2009)			Registration Fee	\$390	\$ _____	(Non-refundable after June 1, 2009)			<p><b>SPECIAL NEEDS:</b> (i.e. dietary requirements, allergies, etc.)</p> <p>Dietary: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Other needs (special transportation using wheelchair, crutches, canes, etc.): _____</p>
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**PRIVACY PERMISSION:**

I understand that the information on this form is collected for the use of Synodical and National Offices and will be retained indefinitely. Personal information is not shared with third parties without your express consent. I understand that my name and photograph (including audio and visual images) may be used as a result of my attendance at this Convention.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Payment Received: Cheque # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date Processed: \_\_\_\_\_ Initial: \_\_\_\_\_



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## 2009 ELCIC NATIONAL CONVENTION ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION

***“COME MEET IN CONVENTION IN BEAUTIFUL BRITISH COLUMBIA”***

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### **On Campus Accommodations at University of British Columbia**

Full payment for University residence accommodations must be submitted with the accommodation form. We accept cheque (payable to the ELCIC), money order, Visa, MasterCard, and American Express. Please note there will be an additional charge of **\$25.00** for a returned cheque. **No reservations will be accepted after May 13, 2009.**

**Note:** All accommodations are available on a first come, first serve basis.

**West Coast Suite:** These ‘West Coast’ luxury style suites feature natural wood and stone materials with smart, contemporary furnishings. Amenities include a one bedroom suite with fully equipped kitchenette, a king bed in the bedroom with a double sofa bed in living room, balcony, private washroom, a flat panel LCD television, free wireless internet and an in-room safe. Rate is based on double occupancy. **Rate: \$191.00 per night which includes all taxes.** There is a \$17.00 (includes all taxes) per person per night charge for the third and fourth persons.

**Gage Tower Suite:** A Gage Tower Suite is located on the upper floors of The Gage Towers. This suite with six bedrooms (five rooms with single bed, one room with double bed) has an in-suite washroom, lounge with TV, and fully equipped kitchenette. Suite is sold at flat rate regardless of number of occupants. You can rent the whole suite to share with 3 to 6 of your fellow delegates. **Rate: \$293.00 per night which includes all taxes.**

**Gage Shared Accommodation-Standard Single:** Located on the lower floors of The Gage Towers, a standard single bed in a six-bedroom apartment. Guests share washroom, lounge and kitchenette (not equipped with dishes, cooking utensils, etc.). Rooms do not have phone service or televisions. High-speed Internet is available upon check-in for a fee. **Rate: \$41.00 per night which includes all taxes.**

**Gage Shared Accommodation-Preferred Single:** Located on the upper floors of The Gage Towers, a single bed in a six bedroom suite. Guests share washroom, lounge with TV and fully equipped kitchenette. Daily housekeeping service, bed linens and towels provided. No phone service. High-speed Internet is available for a fee upon check-in. **Rate: \$49.00 per night which includes all taxes.**

For the shared accommodations, there are pay phones in the first floor lobby; messages can be left with the Reservations Office or Front Desk staff.



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Please complete this form and return it with your payment and registration form by March 13, 2009 to the Convention Registrar, Barb Wiebe. Accommodations are available on a first come, first serve basis. **Note: No reservations for accommodations will be accepted after May 13, 2009.**

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ PC: \_\_\_\_\_ Synod: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Day Time Phone Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION:**

Arrival Date & Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date & Time: \_\_\_\_\_

To assist with room assignments, please indicate:       Female       Male

Please complete number of nights and multiply by the room rate:

_____ night(s) West Coast Suites (WCS) @ \$191 (taxes included) =	\$ _____
_____ nights(s) for 3rd person WCS @\$17 each (taxes included) =	\$ _____
_____ nights (s) for 4th person WCS @\$17 each (taxes included) =	\$ _____
_____ night(s) Gage Tower Suite - \$293 (taxes included) =	\$ _____
_____ night(s) Gage Standard Single - \$41 (taxes included) =	\$ _____
_____ night(s) Gage Preferred Single - \$49 (taxes included) =	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

For West Coast Suites or Gage Tower Suites, list names of persons sharing accommodation:

1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_

Full payment must be submitted with the accommodation form. We accept cheques in Canadian funds payable to the ELCIC, money orders, Visa, MasterCard, and American Express. No post-dated cheques will be accepted. Note: there will be a \$25.00 charge for a returned cheque.

Payment by \_\_\_\_\_ Cheque \_\_\_\_\_ Money order \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ American Express \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_ Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_



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for Others*

## A Service of Blessing for Delegates to the National Convention

*This service can be used one Sunday prior to the national convention. If the pastor is a delegate, someone else should lead this part of the service.*

*Following the hymn of the day, the delegate(s) are called forward.*

**LEADER:** *Delegate name(s)*, you have been chosen as a delegate to the National Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. We join with you and with the whole church in confession of our faith.

*The Apostles' Creed follows.*

**LEADER:** You are sent to this gathering to serve the whole church. Will you seek the guidance of God as you join others in making decisions for the church? Will you bear the reconciliation of Christ as you work with others to determine the will of God for the future of the church?

**DELEGATE(S):** Yes, I pray that God will help and direct me.

**LEADER:** People of God,  
Will you support this Delegate in prayer? Will you pray for the National Convention?

**CONGREGATION:** We will.

*The Congregation extends their hands in blessing.*

**LEADER:** *Delegate name(s)*, we bless you as you go forth in the name of God to serve us and all the people of God in the work of this convention. May the light of Christ shine in you. May the Spirit of Christ guide you. May God bless you in your travel, this work and in your homecoming.

**CONGREGATION:** Amen.

*The prayers of the church follow.*

*Intercessions for the National Convention and for the leadership of the church should be included.*

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