

Conference Leadership Team (CLT) Update

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Kathi M, Chairperson

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The Conference Leadership Team (CLT) has the responsibility to prepare a World Service Conference (WSC) agenda that facilitates the active voice and effective group conscience of our fellowship.

To accomplish this responsibility, the CLT initiated the planning process for the 2024 WSC shortly after returning home from the 2023 in-person WSC in Virginia Beach. The CLT members have reviewed the 2023 WSC evaluations that were submitted. We appreciate each member's comments, feedback, and suggestions. All your input is valuable as we prepare for the next WSC.

The CLT updated its guideline to include Strategic Plan relevance to the introduction: "Per the Global Engagement Goal of the Strategic Plan, the Conference Leadership Team creates a Conference that reinforces the process for passing experience on to trusted servants."

The 2024 WSC will be held in person, Thursday, April 18 through Sunday, April 21, 2024, at The Founders Inn in Virginia Beach, Virginia. As previously reported, the Board approved a three-year trial to determine if shorter weeks would attract more world service participation by decreasing the amount of time off required to be a Delegate or Trustee. This will be the second year of the three-year trial. It is our intention to have a discussion at WSC regarding the four-day conference. Delegates are scheduled to arrive on Wednesday, April 17 and depart April 22.

The 2024 Four-Day Conference agenda will include an orientation for new WSC members, Sharing Area Highlights, an Opening Lunch, Conference, the Annual Open Board of Trustee Meetings, and a Closing Dinner.

As a result of WSC evaluation comments and suggestions from the 2023 WSC, as well as a request from several Delegates that the CLT form a Thought Force to consider Delegate participation in the CLT, the CLT plans to create a session to discuss this topic at the Conference.

The CLT reviewed theme phrases and words that were suggested for the 2024 WSC theme. The CLT forwarded their suggestion to the BOT for approval.

The approved suggestion will be announced closer to the end of 2023 to align with the introduction in January 2024.

We look forward to the ongoing evolving preparations for the 2024 WSC.

The seven-member Conference Leadership Team includes:

- Chairperson and Co-Chairperson of Conference (both Trustees)
- Associate Director—Conference
- Chairperson of the Board of Trustees
- Executive Director
- Director of Programs
- Events Planner & Senior Assistant (Spanish) (ex-officio, non-voting)