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January 27-31, 2014 Chicago, Illinois



# **Annual Meeting**

The highest legislative body of the Evangelical Covenant Church, the Annual Meeting is made up of delegates elected by member churches and their representatives from across the United States and Canada. Please join us for deliberation, worship, fellowship, vision casting, and vital interaction with God's work through our mission and ministry partnership.

June 26-29, 2014 *Chicago, Illinois* 



# **CHIC**

The purpose of CHIC is to be a catalyst that inspires Christ-like change—challenging high-school age teens to see themselves as part of something bigger and inspiring them on the journey of following Christ. This triennial event has something for everyone: small group Bible study and devotion, large group gatherings with speakers and music, opportunities to serve and a variety of recreational options.

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# welcome.



Thank you for joining us at the 128th Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Covenant Church (ECC). We gather here from around the world and form a rich mosaic bound together by an abiding desire to live with God and for God. Through Christ we have access to one another, joy in one another, and fellowship with one another. May you know the reality of God's blessing as you interact during these days with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Meet the Host Conference: The Great Lakes
Conference (GLC) of the Evangelical Covenant
Church encompasses the lower peninsula of
Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia,
western New York, western Pennsylvania, and far
western Virginia. As of June 2013, the GLC is made
up of eighty-six churches with more than 12,500
worship attendees. The mission of the GLC is to help
every congregation become a healthy, missional
church. Their ministry centers around church
planting, vitality, outreach, and leadership. They are
committed to pursuing Christ and pursuing Christ's
priorities in our world.

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# general information

# **Check-In & Registration**

The registration team will be available to respond to questions and offer assistance to participants seeking information on the schedule, and special events. The registration and information table is located in the West Foyer near the Renaissance Ballroom on Level 4 and will be open daily. Please see the schedule on the back cover for detailed hours.

# **General Message Boards**

Message boards are set up in the West Foyer at the registration and information table to leave notes for other delegates and conferees. Please check these boards periodically to see if messages have been placed there for you. Emergency messages will be channeled through the registration team.

### Meals

Attendees will be on their own for meals. The Marriott at the Renaissance Center offers multiple dining options: a Food Court on Level A, restaurants and coffee shops on Levels 1 and 2. fine dining options throughout, and room service. You can pick up a dining information brochure at the registration and information table or hotel front desk.

# **Name Badges**

Thank you to North Park University for providing our lanyards and name badge holders. If you would like to recycle your name badge following the final worship service, please return them to the registration and information table.

## **Considerations**

# Hearing Impaired

For hearing-impaired registrants, special hearing enhancement equipment will be available during worship and business sessions.

## Traducción Simultanea

Habrá audífonos disponibles en el Renaissance Ballroom para traducción simultanea en español.

# **Discounted Parking**

Annual Meeting guests will receive discounted parking rates in the Beaubein or Port Atwater parking garages (connected to the Renaissance Center). The discounted rate is \$8 per day weekdays and \$5 per day weekends. No in/out privileges. Attendees not staying at the Marriott may pick up a discounted parking voucher at the registration and information table.

## **Connect Online**

## Live web broadcasts

Live broadcasts of the worship services will be available on CovChurch.tv/live. Recordings of all the worship services plus key business session events (awards, special presentations, etc.) will be available on CovChurch.tv following the Annual Meeting. Special thanks to Covenant Intiatives for Care and Bethany Benefit Services for sponsoring our online content.

#### **Twitter**

Join or follow the conversation around the 128th Annual Meeting using the hashtag #ecc128 on Twitter. For more information on Annual Meeting, follow @cov\_church for updates and @eccnews for news.

# **Business Sessions**

**Location:** Business Sessions will be held in the Renaissance Ballroom on Level 4. Reserved seating is provided for delegates and registered general conferees in designated areas.

**Schedule:** Friday, 8:30 a.m.-Noon, 1:30-3 p.m.; Saturday 8:30 a.m.-Noon, 1:30-3 p.m.

Coffee Breaks: Thank you to National Covenant Properties for providing our refreshments. Following the Saturday morning business session, please feel free to take your mug home with you.

# **Designations**

#### **Delegates**

Delegates are credentialed representatives from member Covenant churches and other entities as designated in the ECC Constitution and Bylaws. Delegates have voting privileges and designated seating during the business sessions. Delegates are also given the privilege of speaking during the meeting to voice their position on matters.

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*Tellers:* group of delegate volunteers who serve the body by distributing, collecting, and counting ballots.

#### **General Conferees**

General conferees are Covenanters wishing to attend the Annual Meeting without officially representing a local church or institution. They are not permitted to voice their opinions, ask questions, or vote during the business sessions.

#### Resource Person

A resource person is invited to participate in the Annual Meeting for a specified purpose or agenda item(s) by the action of the body. They do not have a vote, cannot make motions, and may be excused by the body at any time.

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# speakers



# Alexander Gee Jr.

#### Thursday Evening



Alex Gee is the pastor of Fountain of Life Covenant Church, a multiracial and multigenerational congregation in Madison,

Wisconsin. In 1992 he pioneered the Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development, a nonprofit organization that develops emerging African American leaders to become partners in revitalizing and transforming community. Gee is author of When God Lets You Down: Trusting Again after Pain and Loss. He also coauthored Jesus and the Hip Hop Prophets.

He and his wife, Jackie, live in Madison, Wisconsin. They have one daughter.

# J. Kevin Butcher

#### Friday Morning



J. Kevin Butcher is senior pastor of Hope Community Church in Detroit. He has served as the senior pastor of churches in

Indiana and Michigan. Butcher is passionate about helping believers live in authentic community— across racial, socioeconomic, and all lines of division. He also is passionate about helping believers find freedom from wounds of their childhood that so often keep them trapped, living addictively and dysfunctionally, and unable to experience true freedom in Christ.

He and his wife, Carla, live in Gross Pointe Farms, Michigan. The have three adult daughters. **Josef Rasheed** (vocals, keyboards), *leader*, CrossRoads Covenant, DeSoto, TX

**Geoff Twigg** (vocals, guitars), *leader,* Trinity Covenant, Oak Lawn, IL

**Alex Brito** (vocals) Esperanza Covenant, Grand Rapids, MI

**Sheryl Dalman** (vocals, Cuatro) Esperanza Covenant, Grand Rapids, MI

**Janet Gadsden** (vocals) CrossRoads Covenant, DeSoto, TX

**Herb Harris** (bass) Life Church, Southfield. Detroit. MI

Marshall McCluhan (vocals, acoustic guitar) Life Church, Canton, MI

**Jon Rounke** (drummer) Life Church, Canton, MI

Randall Wilkens (organ/keyboards) Bethany Covenant, Mount Vernon, WA

# **Noel Castellanos**

# Friday Evening



Noel Castellanos has worked in full-time ministry in Latino, urban communities since 1982. He has served in youth

ministry, church planting, advocacy, and community development in San Francisco, San Jose, and Chicago. After serving on the Board of the Christian Community Development Association for many years, he established the CCDA Institute, which equips emerging church leaders. He is the co-author of A Heart for the Community, New Models for Urban and Suburban Ministry, and has contributed to various other books and publications.

He and his wife, Marianne, live in southwest Chicago, and have three grown children.

# Janine N. Davis

# Saturday Morning



Called to the ministry of reconciliation through preaching the word of God, community outreach, education, and life-skills

training, Janine Davis started The Bridge Covenant Church in Detroit in 2010. She currently serves on the boards of the Great Lakes Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church and the Cody/Rouge Faith Based Alliance in Detroit. Davis was the former director of Urban Center Development for Care Net. She also served as pastor at Citadel of Faith Covenant Church in Detroit.

She and her husband, Richard, live in Detroit.

# **Richard Lucco**

## Saturday Evening



Richard Lucco is the executive director for ministry development for the Evangelical Covenant Church. Beginning July

1, he will also be serving as the interim executive minister of church growth and evangelism. Lucco has served as the senior pastor of Covenant churches in Kewanee and Elgin, Illinois; and in Salem, Oregon. He served as superintendent of the Great Lakes Conference from 2002 to 2012. He served with Young Life and the "I Have a Dream" Foundation.

He and his wife, Valerie, live in Chicago. They have four adult sons and two grandchildren.

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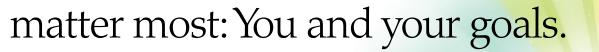
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# special events

# **Thursday**

# The Covenant Ministerium

8:30 am-4:30 pm, Ambassador Ballroom, Salon 1

All licensed and ordained pastors, staff ministers, chaplains, and missionaries are urged to attend the Covenant Ministerium. The meeting will include business, introduction of persons recommended for permanent credentials, and a two-part continuing education component led by Steven and Celestia Tracy, co-founders of Mending the Soul. Donn Engebretson will preach at the opening worship service.

#### Schedule

8:30 am-12:00 pm—Worship; Business; Mending the Soul, part 1

Noon-1:00 pm—Lunch (on your own)

1-4:30 pm—Mending the Soul, part 2; Business

# **Detroit Children's Choir**

One highlight of the Annual Meeting is the opportunity to worship with Covenanters from around the world. The opening service will feature Detroit Children's Choir led by Carol Schoch, a Covenanter from the Detroit area. Founded in 2006, the choir brings a message of hope and a call to unity which compliments the Covenant's mission and ministry.

# **Delegate Orientation**

3-4:30 pm, Mackinac

Delegates are invited to meet other delegates and Covenant leaders in a relaxed setting. The purpose and parliamentary process of the Annual Meeting will be explained, and a case study will be reviewed by this year's moderator, vice moderator, and parliamentarian.

# Covenant Retired Clergy & Missionary Banquet

5-6:45 pm, Nicolet

Retired Covenant clergy, missionaries, and their spouses are invited to the 14th Annual Covenant Retired Clergy and Missionary Banquet. Enjoy a time of fellowship, food, and honoring the achievements of our retired ministers and missionaries as well

as greetings from Covenant administrators. Host Dean Lundgren, director of pensions, will give an update on the Covenant Pension Plan. RSVP was requested, check availability at the door.

# **Friday**

# RunCKC: Team World Vision & Covenant Kids Congo

6:30-7:30 am, GM Wintergarden

Run a race, change lives. Join us for a morning run and learn how your church can raise money for kids in Congo through local regional races. Meet us at the glass doors in the GM Wintergarden on Level A.

# Transforming Communities with Covenant World Relief

7-8:15 am, Mackinac

How can you and your church engage in life-transforming ministry around the world? Come for breakfast and hear how CWR is loving, serving, and working together with the poor, the powerless, and the marginalized around the world.

# **Morning Prayer**

7-8:15 am, Renoir

You are invited to participate in a time of prayer focused on ECC ministries, this Annual Meeting, and individual requests. Wilson Herrera, director of Hispanic ministries in the department of Christian Formation, will lead the prayer time. You are welcome to stay for the entire hour or for a short time. If you have specific prayer requests, please give them in writing to Jill Ulven at the registration and information table

# Vocational Service Award Recipients Orientation

4-5 pm, Duluth A

Orientation meeting for the recipients of the Vocational Service Award.

# **AAMA Fellowship Banquet**

5-6:45 pm, Nicolet B

The African American Ministers Association members and guests are invited to a celebration banquet in honor of our ordinands and graduates.

# **World Mission Reception**

9-11 pm, Mackinac

After the Friday evening service concludes, please join Covenant World Mission in celebrating the commissioning of new short- and long-term missionaries.

# Saturday

# RunCKC: Team World Vision & Covenant Kids Congo

6:30-7:30 am, GM Wintergarden

# **Morning Prayer**

7-8:15 am, Renoir

# **Immigration Dialogue**

12:15-1:15 pm, DaVinci and Renoir

The Commission on Christian Action will present the 2013 Draft Resolution on Immigration at the Saturday morning business session. Immediately following, during the lunch hour, we invite you to join commission members for an extended discussion of issues related to immigration. Help shape the conversation on immigration for the good of all. Upon recess of the morning's session, bring your lunch for a time of sharing with others.

# **ACCW Awards Reception**

12-1:15 pm, Nicolet

Advocates for Covenant Clergy Woman invites partners, members of the ministerium and attendees to a special time of gathering to hear the faithful stories of the 2013 award recipients and a time of celebration, fellowship, and connection. Refreshments will be served.

# Rehearsal for the Service of Ordination, Commissioning, & Consecration

3:30-5 pm, Renaissance Ballroom

This rehearsal on Saturday afternoon from 3:30 to 5 p.m. is mandatory for all credentialing candidates, members of the Board of the Ordered Ministry, and guests participating in the Saturday evening worship service. Please arrive promptly at the Renaissance Ballroom.

# Celebration of Service Reception

9-11 pm, Mackinac

Following the Saturday evening service, you are invited to celebrate with Covenant leaders transitioning out of their current positions or transitioning into new leadership positions. We will recognize Donn Engebretson, newly-appointed director for global advancement for the ECC; Don Meyer, retiring executive minister of communications, Dave Olson, concluding service as executive minister of church growth and evangelism, Meritt Lohr Sawyer, newly-appointed executive director of Paul Carlson Parternship, Greg Yee, newly-elected superintendent of the North Pacific Conference, and Ed Gilbreath, newly-called executive minister of communications. Sponsored by Covenant Ministries of Benevolence.

# Covenant Mission Detroit <u>Ministry</u> Fair

Leaders from the Mission Detroit ministry sites will be available in the display area throughout Annual Meeting to meet with those interested in further information regarding the wide range of love mercy and do justice ministries experienced during the pre-Annual Meeting event.

# **Round-table Discussions**

Round-table discussions will be Friday afternoon, 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. The purpose of these sessions is to provide an opportunity for local church leaders to gain practical ideas from one another in a specific area of focus within a mission priority and to generate input for developing future ministries at the denominational, conference, and local levels. Each discussion group will be guided by a facilitator, (listed below) and will feature stories from local church practitioners to stimulate dialogue. All delegates and general conferees are encouraged to participate. No preregistration is required. Tables will be designated in the locations as indicated below for the specific topics/leaders.

# Make & Deepen Disciples

Evangelism Leadership: Sending the 72—John Teter, evangelism team leader, ECC (Ambassador Ballroom)

Deepening Disciples: Discovering Pathways for Growth—Doreen Olson, executive minister of Christian formation, ECC (Ambassador Ballroom)

# Start & Strengthen Churches

Church Planting—Dave Olson, executive minister of church growth and evangelism, ECC (Ambassador Ballroom)

Congregational Vitality—John Wenrich, director of congregational vitality, ECC (Ambassador Ballroom)

Leveraging Technology to Maximize Ministry—

Ryan Seaburg, president, Convergence 365 (Ambassador Ballroom)

# Love Mercy & Do Justice

# Criminal Justice-

Debbie Blue, executive minister of compassion, mercy, and justice, ECC (Ambassador Ballroom)

# Racial Righteousness-

Krisann Jarvis Foss, director of conference ministries, North Pacific Conference and Greg Yee, superintendent of the North Pacific Conference (Ambassador Ballroom)

# **Develop Leaders**

**Building Staff Teams**— Carol Lawson, director of staff ministry, ECC (Mackinac Ballroom)

# **Developing Effective Lay Leadership Teams**— Mark Novak, executive

Mark Novak, executive minister of the ordered ministry, ECC (Mackinac Ballroom)

# **Serving Globally**

Mission Trips That Matter: Serving to Benefit All—Kim Crawford, associate director of mission mobilization and connection, ECC (Mackinac Ballroom)

Developing a Local Church's Global Consciousness—Donn Engebretson, director of global advancement, ECC (Mackinac Ballroom)

Connecting with Relief/Development Ministries—Dave Husby, director of Covenant World Relief, ECC (Mackinac Ballroom)

# Covenant Kids Congo: How Global Mission Efforts Transform Local Church

Context—Reesheda Washington, project leader of Covenant Kids Congo, ECC (Mackinac Ballroom)

Diálogo abierto sobre las prioridades de nuestra misión—Wilson Herrera, director of Hispanic ministries, ECC (Brule A)

# Special Interest Groups

Developing Children's Choirs — Carol Schoch, director of Detroit Children's Choir, (Nicolet A)

# Responding Faithfully to God's Call. An

introduction to the new video-based curriculum for small groups, ministry teams, and individuals, developed by Christian Formation and Compassion, Mercy, and Justice-Boaz Johnson, professor of biblical and theological studies, North Park University and Harold Spooner, president of Covenant Initiatives of Care, ECC. Also offered Saturday, 3:30-4:45 pm. (Renoir)



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# COVENANT

Help fight extreme poverty in the DR Congo this summer. When you give a gift of child sponsorship, you transform more than one life. An entire community will benefit from clean water, education, healthcare, food resources, and economic development.

We encourage your church to sign up at Annual Meeting and join the more than 300 Covenant churches that have Hope Sunday events, sponsoring nearly 6,000 children. Sign up today and help us meet our goal of 10,000 children sponsored.

Sponsor a child for only \$40 per month at **covenantkidscongo.org** today.

# covenant kids ministry

Covenant Kids Ministries will be offered for those with children at the Annual Meeting. A group of specialists who minister with children has been brought together from around the country to create a caring formation environment for children. Teamed with an amazing group of volunteers, children will receive loving care, attention, and opportunities to explore, reflect, play, serve, create, and worship.

All children must be pre-registered. If you know of children who will be joining us for only part of the program, please check availability at the registration and information table when you arrive. On-site registration will only be available as space permits.

# **Age Groups**

**Shepherds Fold (Nursery-Toddler):** A safe place for babies and toddlers where every child receives loving attention and care and where toddlers are encouraged to explore, engage, and discover in the midst of their play.

**Preschool Kingdom (Ages 3-5K):** A fun place for children to play, create, worship, discover what it's like to be a friend with Jesus every day.

Adventure Camp (Grades 1-6): A creative place for elementary kids to use their imaginations and practice living out God's love in daily life. Also includes a hands-on community service project.

### Location

Covenant Kids Ministries is located on Level 5. Please note that parent's must sign their children in and out of this area.

# **Open House**

Parents and children are encouraged to attend the open house on Thursday, June 27, from 4 to 5 p.m. There you can get acquainted with the ministry staff, tour the Covenant kids ministry area, hear what will be happening in children's ministry, and learn about drop off and pick up procedures. If you haven't submitted the medical release and toileting forms, you can complete them at the open house.

# Care and Safety Policies

#### The Covenant Kids Ministry Team will:

- Provide a safe and inviting environment for all children
- Train volunteers
- · Extend love and care toward each child
- · Model the fruits of the Spirit
- Seek to foster a deeper relationship with Christ

#### Parents will:

- Sign child in/out and remain at the Detroit Marriott while child is in care.
- Promptly pick up their children following each Annual Meeting session, as children's programming does not extend during lunch or dinner breaks.
- Promptly pick up their children following evening worship
- Keep a cell phone on and accessible while child is in care.
- Fill out a medical release form, which includes information on allergies and other special needs, as well as a toileting form.

# **Daily Schedule**

Thursday, June 27

4-5 pm

Open House, (for families, no drop-off service)

6:30-9:15 pm

Evening Session

Friday, June 28

8 am-12:15 pm Morning Session

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1:15-5 pm Afternoon Session

6:30-9:15 pm

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**Evening Session** 

Saturday, June 29

8 am-12:15 pm

Morning Session

1:15-3:15 pm

Afternoon Session

6-9:15 pm

**Evening Session** 

Note: There is no child care on Sunday morning, as worship is being held in various locations off site.



# **Local Attractions**

# Comerica Park

2100 Woodward Ave. Detroit. MI

Comerica Park is the home of the Detroit Tigers baseball team. The Tigers have home games from June 25 to 27.

# **Detroit Institute** of Arts

5200 Woodward Ave. Detroit, MI www.dia.org

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# Detroit People Mover

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Explore downtown Detroit by riding the fast, convenient, and inexpensive People Mover. It is open seven days a week and runs until at least midnight. And there is a stop connected to the Renaissance Center. Fares are seventy-five cents per ride and you can use cash or purchase tokens. Ride times between stations are all under two minutes. Visit the website for the station map.

# **Detroit Riverfront**

600 Renaissance Center Detroit. MI

Miles of newly developed riverfront property, perfect for walking, running, or biking. Restaurants and attractions are along the river with a view of Canada in the distance.

# **Detroit Zoo**

8450 W. 10 Mile Rd. Royal Oak, MI www.detroitzoo.org

Detroit Zoo has 125 acres of naturalistic exhibits from aardvarks to zebras and features award-winning exhibits like National Amphibian Conservation Center, Great Apes of Harambee, and Arctic Ring of Life.

# GM Renaissance Center

www.gmrencen.com

GM's global headquarters hosts fine dining, shopping, a theater, the GM Showroom, and hotels on the new three-mile RiverWalk in downtown Detroit. The Ren Cen offers free one-hour tours Mondays through Fridays at noon and 2 p.m. on a first-come basis. Tours begin at the Pure Detroit store.

# Henry Ford Museum

20900 Oakwood Blvd. Dearborn, MI www.thehenryford.org

Explore inventions from past and present as you walk through a collection of antique machinery, pop-culture items, automobiles, locomotives, aircraft, and other items at the Henry Ford Museum.

# Wright Museum of African American History

315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit, MI thewright.org

The world's largest institution dedicated to the African American experience, the musem features learning opportunities, exhibitions, programs, and events exploring the diverse history and culture of the African American community.

# **Nearby Dining**

# Ren Cen Dining

There are more than thirty restaurants located inside the Renaissance Center that offer a wide variety of cuisines and price points. Some of the options are listed below. You can pick up a dining information brochure at the registration and information table or hotel front desk.

**Level A:** Burger King, McDonalds, Salsarita's Fresh Cantina, Andiamo, and Subway.

**Level 1:** Starbucks, the Coffee Beanery, Potbelly Sandwich Works, and the Calumet Market.

**Level 2:** Au Bon Pain, Birmingham Deli, Rice Bowl Fresh Asian Kitchen, and Tim Hortons.

Level 3: Volt and Coach Insignia.

# **Courtyard Cafe & Bar**

333 E. Jefferson Ave. (0.1 miles) (313) 223-3933

A casual and fun dining spot with a large selection of build-your-own pizzas, burgers, and quesadillas, plus house specialties Shrimp Po Boy Sandwich and Homestyle Pot Roast. Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. (Casual)

# **Hockeytown Cafe**

2301 Woodward Ave. (1 mile) (313) 965-9500

Offering the perfect setting before, during, and after any event in the downtown area. Open for lunch and dinner. (Casual)

# **Opus One**

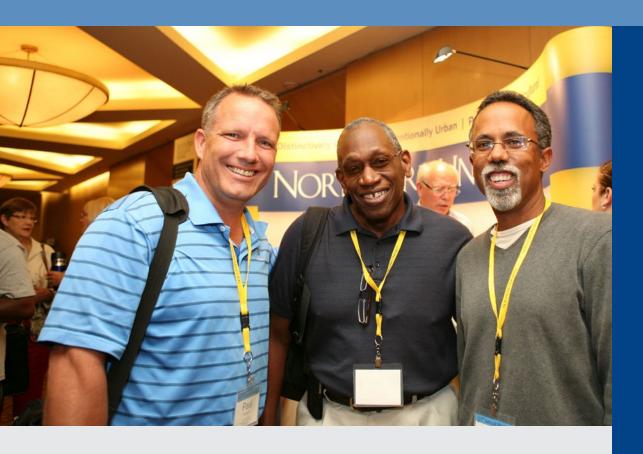
565 E. Larned St. (0.2 miles) (313) 961-7766

Always the freshest ingredients, the most creative and tantalizing blends of flavors, and an absolutely gracious team of professionals all enveloped in a comfortable and chic setting. Open for lunch and dinner. (Casual)

# **Sweetwater Tavern**

400 E. Congress St. (0.2 miles) (313) 962-2210

They are known for their wings, but offer a variety of salads, sandwiches, and exciting entrees. Open for lunch and dinner. (Casual)



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- Start & Strengthen Churches
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- · Serve Globally

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# **QUESTIONS?**

Stop by the registration and information table located in the West Foyer near the Rennaisance Ballroom. Or, contact us by email at events@covchurch.org or by phone at (800) 910-2442.

# Thursday, June 27

#### 7 am-7 pm

Annual Meeting Registration Oper

#### 8 am-5 pm

Covenant Missior Detroit—Mission Projects

## 8:30 am-Noon, 1:30-4:30 pm

Ministerium Meeting

## 3-4:30 pm

Delegate Orientation

#### 7-9 pm

Opening Worship Service: Celebration of Covenant Mission Detroit

# Friday, June 28

#### 7 am-7 pm

Annual Meeting
Registration Oper

#### 8:30 am-Noon

Morning Worship & Business Session

#### 1:30-3 pm

**Business Session** 

#### 3:30-4:45 pm

Round-table Discussion Group

# 7-9 pm

Worship Service: Consecration of Missionaries and Installation of Superintendent & Executive Minister of Communications

# 9-11 pm

World Mission Reception

# Saturday, June 29

#### 7 am-7 pm

Annual Meeting
Registration Oper

#### 8:30 am-Noon

Morning Worship & Business Session

## 1:30-3 pm

Rusiness Session

#### 3:30-5 pm

Ordination, Commissioning, & Consecration

## 7-9 pm

Service of Ordination, Commissioning, & Consecration

# 9-11 pm

Covenant Leaders Reception

# Sunday, June 30

#### Morning

Worship in Detroitarea Churches