

BANFF PASTORS AND SPOUSES CONFERENCE 2024

Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, November 11-14

Frequently Asked Questions

EARLY BIRD DEADLINE: September 10, 2024
REGULAR REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 10, 2024

1. When does the conference begin?

The welcome desk opens at 2:00pm on Monday and the conference begins with dinner @ 5:00pm. Hotel check-in is at 4:00pm.

2. Can I attend an individual session or purchase an individual meal without accommodation?

You can purchase a “Sessions Only” or “Sessions and Meals” registration which includes all the sessions. You will be considered as an Offsite Visitor. Sessions and meals are not available to book individually.

3. Can I register after the final deadline?

After the final deadline, we release all extra rooms we are holding to the hotel. At that point, reservations depend on whether or not the rooms are available and there may be an additional cost. If you wish to inquire about a room after deadline, please contact Esther Kitchener at ekitchener@cbwc.ca who will then contact the hotel on your behalf.

4. Can I bring my children with me?

This conference is oriented towards an *adult-only program* and environment so we encourage you to consider this as a retreat opportunity to come away from the good and full responsibilities of parenting and to reconnect as a couple. We recognize the need for parents to bring **newborns** who are breastfeeding. There is no childcare available. Finally, the allotted hotel rooms for the conference are small and only a few can accommodate a crib. To upgrade the size of room to accommodate a family (which would have to be a suite), please email Esther @ ekitchener@cbwc.ca. All upgrades are subject to availability and for an additional fee.

5. Does the registration fee include gratuities and incidentals?

The registration does include gratuities for your room and group meals/receptions only. Should you feel led to tip hotel staff please do so. This fee does not include incidentals. Any outstanding incidentals charged to your room will be your responsibility at the time of check out.

Registration fees cover deeply discounted accommodations for 3 nights, meals from Monday dinner to Thursday brunch, and session fees. During registration, guests may book up to 3 extra nights at their own expense post-conference at the CBWC conference rate based on hotel availability. All accommodations are booked on your behalf via the CBWC event planner. Please note that registration fees do not include the Banff National Park Pass.

6. Can I let you know if I have specific dietary restrictions?

If you have dietary restrictions, please include a detailed note when you register online. We will endeavor to accommodate your needs. We will not be able to accept last minute requests. Please Note: If you do not notify us of your dietary restrictions prior to the conference, we will be charged extra from the Banff Springs Hotel during meal times – the kitchen needs advance notice to take your dietary needs into consideration. This fee will be charged to you accordingly.

7. What about National Park entrance fees?

Park entrance fees will need to be paid as you drive into the Banff National Park. If you take a shuttle bus to the hotel the fees are included in your fare. Purchase tickets [HERE](#).

8. What is the dress code for the conference?

We do not have a defined dress code. We want you to feel comfortable and relaxed. However, traditionally the first evening meal tends to be slightly more “dressy casual.” Please feel free to dress casual for all the events. Remember to bring warm clothing for walking outside (it will be winter in the Rockies) but also remember the hotel has a swimming pool, hot tub, and outdoor hot pool so pack your bathing suit too.

9. Where do I register when I get to the hotel?

Hotel Registration takes place at Reception. Check in and get your room first. Conference registration will be set up at the Riverview Lounge located on Mezzanine 2 beginning at 2:00 pm on Monday. Please get directions and a map from the front desk staff.

10. What options are available to me if my church’s resources are limited?

If your church is challenged in getting you to the conference, please speak to your Regional Minister prior to filling out your registration form. Limited subsidies are available.

For registration inquiries contact:

Kim Li (Registrar) | Phone: 403.228.9559 or 1.800.820.2479 | Email: kli@cbwc.ca

For all other inquiries contact:

Esther Kitchener | ekitchener@cbwc.ca

Travel Information

Banff Airporter

Toll Free: 1 (888) 449-2901

Local: 1 (403) 762-3330

<https://banffairporter.com/>

Brewster Coach Line

Toll Free: 1-800-760-6934

Email: feedback@brewster.ca

www.Brewster.ca

Calgary Airporter Shuttle

Toll Free: 1-888-449-2901

Email: information@pc.gc.ca

Avis

Toll Free: 1-800-879-2847

www.avis.com/car-rental/html/landing/calgary-rental.html

Budget

Toll Free: 1-800-268-8900

www.budgetcalgary.ca

National

Toll Free: 1-800-227-7368

www.nationalcar.ca

Enterprise

Toll Free: 1-800-261-7331