

GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF ATLANTA

ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΑΤΛΑΝΤΑΣ

January 24, 2017

Reverend Clergy, Parish Council Presidents and esteemed Parish Council members, Presidents and members of Philoptochos, Choir Members and Musicians And all the Faithful of the Metropolis of Atlanta

Beloved in the Lord,

"So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith." (Gal. 6:10)

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

I am both pleased and proud to announce that we will be holding our next Biennial Assembly and Philoptochos Conference in the beautiful city of Raleigh, North Carolina from Wednesday June 21-Saturday, June 24, 2017.

The theme of this year's Metropolis Assembly is "Go Therefore and Make Disciples of All Nations..." This Assembly is unique in that it will be the first time the Southeastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Choirs and Musicians will be joining us.

This unique gathering of clergy, Philoptochos delegates, and now musicians will allow for an even more complete picture of the varied parts of parish life in our Metropolis. I truly believe that the gathering together of all these various talents and treasures will further assist us in bearing witness to the life-changing Gospel of Christ to our friends and neighbors throughout the world, as our Lord commands us.

I encourage all of you to begin planning to send representatives from each and every Parish community to our Clergy-Laity Assembly. We can only truly carry out the work of the people, if all of the Body of Christ are gathered together.

Praying that the Lord will bless us to faithfully work as His servants in His Name and to His Glory, I remain

With paternal blessings and with much love in our Lord,

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Metropolitan of Atlanta



"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..." Matthew 28:19

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With the blessings of His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios, we are pleased to invite you to the 2017 Metropolis of Atlanta Clergy-Laity Assembly, Philoptochos Conference, and Southeastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Choirs and Musicians Conference. Registration will begin on Tuesday, June 20, and the Assembly will convene in Raleigh, North Carolina on Wednesday, June 21, through Saturday, June 24, 2017 at the Raleigh Marriott Crabtree Valley.

We are honored to serve as your hosts. This will be the first time we gather all groups at one time and it is sure to be a very special occasion.

Wednesday, June 21, Philoptochos will begin their meetings as well as the Vicars and the Metropolis Council. There will be an evening reception at the North Carolina Museum of Art. Featured exhibits are the Greek Art Collection and the Rodin Sculptures.

On Thursday, June 22, the day will begin with a general session featuring the keynote address by His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios. The participants will then break into separate meetings/workshops/choir rehearsals. The Philoptochos luncheon for all participants will be held on Thursday. Following the luncheon, meetings/workshops/choir rehearsals will continue before the Grand Banquet for all participants that evening.

The itinerary for Friday, June 23, will include the Archons breakfast, strategic planning updates and focus groups, as well as the Plenary Session. The Clergy Family Event with His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios will be on Friday evening as well as the Choir Conference Social Event.

A Hierarchical Liturgy with His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios, Metropolis Clergy, and the participants in the Choir Federation Conference will take place on Saturday morning, June 24, at Holy Trinity. A lunch will be served in the Church hall following the Hierarchical Liturgy.

The excitement is building and we promise "southern hospitality" from arrival to departure. Register early and we look forward to welcoming you to the Capital City!

Faithfully,

Reverend Father Paul Christy

Protopresbyter

Sydney Langford

Assembly Co-Chair

Mark Langford

Assembly Co-Chair

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Venue Information

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church 5000 Lead Mine Road Raleigh, NC 27612 Phone: 919-781-4548

Phone: 919-781-454 Fax: 919-781-4568

Rev. Fr. Paul N. Christy, Protopresbyter Website: www.holytrinityraleigh.org Email: 2017gomaconference@gmail.com

For Information or Questions, Contact:

Sue Teleoglou

Email: sgaltel@aol.com Phone: 919-847-8657 (Home) Phone: 919-247-7620 (Cell)

Music & Musicians

GALLOS, ANNA G - The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Opus II) RAPTIS, GEORGE S - The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

To Order Music, Contact:

Please check our website at: http://sfgocm.goarch.org in the next few weeks for detailed information on ordering music.

- Nicholas Kyrus, Conference Choir Director
 - E-mail: nbkyrus@comcast.net
- Fr. Seraphim Dedes, Chant Instructor/Protopsalti
 - E-mail: seraphimdedes@gmail.com
- Irina Monzolevskaya, Guest Organist
 - E-mail: irenepasi5@gmail.com





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Federation Information

2016-2017 Executive Board and Committee Chairs

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Dues

According to the By-Laws of the Southeastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Choirs and Musicians, you, as an individual, or your choir, must be in good standing with the Federation in order to participate in the annual conference.

Annual Choir dues are \$100. Individual dues are \$10.

Please join now! Make your check payable to SFGOCM and send to:

Tony Giallourakis SFGOCM Vice President 1545 Pleasant Grove Drive Dunedin, FL 32698 Phone: 727-424-8974

Email: agllrks@gmail.com

Delegates

Two delegates from each member choir will have voting privileges at the annual meeting. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend the meeting on Friday of the conference, time to be determined.

Future Conference Host

Would your parish like to host an upcoming conference? If so, please submit a letter from your parish asking to be considered as a possible host for a future conference. The request needs to be signed by your Priest, Parish Council President and Choir Director. It is imperative to have their support for a successful conference. Please contact:

Philip Thevaos, SFGOCM President 1504 Funny Cide Drive Waxhaw, NC 28173

Phone: 704-574-7765 (cell) Email: yellowjacketgt@aol.com





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REGISTRATION, DEADLINES, & FEES

Registration and Deadlines

- Conference Registration Deadline to avoid late fee is Monday, May 1, 2017
- Hotel Reservation Deadline at negotiated Group Rates is Thursday, May 11, 2017
- Early Conference Check-In is Wednesday, June 21, 2:00-6:00pm at Marriott
- Conference Check-In is Thursday, June 22, 8:00am-6:00pm at Marriott
- Late Conference Check-In is Friday, June 23, 8:00am at Holy Trinity

Fees

• Adults

The 2017 conference registration fee covers all choir refreshment breaks, Thursday continental breakfast, Thursday Philoptochos luncheon, Thursday Grand Banquet at the Marriott. On Friday breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served at church. Saturday farewell luncheon at church.

\$175 Postmarked no later than May 1, 2017

\$200 Postmarked after May 1, 2017 (includes a \$25 late fee)

• Teens (8th - 12th Grades)

The 2017 conference registration fee covers all meals & activities (Thursday-Saturday)

\$115 Postmarked no later than May 1, 2017

\$140 Postmarked after May 1, 2017 (includes a \$25 late fee)

• Guest Meal Tickets

Meal tickets are available for all adults and children who are not registered participants in the conference. See attached form for meal order pricing information.

IMPORTANT - PLEASE NOTE

- Payment must accompany each registration form.
- Each attendee must complete the proper forms (Adult, Teen, Guest)
- Please make check payable to GOMA Clergy-Laity and mail with forms to:

Choir Conference 2017 Sydney Langford Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church 5000 Lead Mine Road Raleigh, NC 27612

Refund Policy: The host city plans appropriately for conference expenses according to the number of preregistered attendees (i.e. meals, entertainment, hotel, etc.). Refunds will be made <u>only</u> in the event of a major illness or death of the registrant or an immediate family member, and <u>only</u> after the completion of the conference.

Childcare is available for a nominal fee. Please contact Sue Teleoglou.

Email: sgaltel@aol.com Phone: 919-847-8657 (Home) Phone: 919-247-7620 (Cell)





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Hotel Information

Hotel

Arrangements have been made with the Marriott Crabtree Valley to accommodate conference attendees at negotiated rates. For those traveling by air, the Marriott provides transportation to and from RDU Airport. Please call the Raleigh Marriott at 1-919-781-7000 upon arrival at RDU for further information. If you are driving to Raleigh, the Marriott has ample free parking. The hotel is conveniently located across the street from Crabtree Valley Mall, with available shuttle service to and from the Mall. It is approximately one mile from Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church.

Marriott Crabtree Valley 4500 Marriott Drive Raleigh, NC 27612

Reservations

- Marriott reservations may be made by calling toll free at 1-800-228-9290 or the direct line at 1-919-781-7000.
- Please reference the group name "Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Atlanta Clergy-Laity Assembly 2017" when making your reservation to secure our special room rate of \$149 per night, excluding taxes and fees.
- Online reservations can be made at http://www.raleighmarriottcrabtreevalley.com.
- Indicate GOMGOMA for Single King or GOMGOMB for Two Queens.
- To take advantage of our discounted rates, please make your reservations prior to May 11, 2017.

General Information

- Hotel has a smoke-free policy.
- Hotel was built in 1982. Rooms were renovated in 2016.
- Group Rate will be honored from Sunday, June 18, through Tuesday, June 27, based on availability.
- Complimentary on-site parking.
- Cancellations must be received 24 hours prior to date of arrival to avoid charges.
- Check-in is 3:00 PM and check-out is noon.

Conference Meals

- Thursday
 - Continental breakfast at hotel
 - Philoptochos luncheon at hotel
 - Grand Banquet at hotel
- Friday
 - Breakfast, lunch and dinner social event at church
- Saturday
 - Lunch follows Hierarchical Liturgy at church





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Directions

Raleigh lies in the northeastern part of North Carolina along Interstate 40, between Interstates 85 and 95, making automotive travel to the city very convenient. For those not wishing to drive, Raleigh-Durham International Airport services the city and surrounding area, and train transportation is available via Amtrak.

Since most drivers have access to GPS or other navigational tools, specific driving instructions to the Marriott will not be provided as a part of this registration packet. Should directions be needed, please contact the host community, the Marriott or Sydney Langford (919-395-8003).

From the Marriott to Holy Trinity - Option A

- Turn left out of the hotel driveway towards Glenwood Avenue.
- Turn left onto Glenwood Avenue/US-70.
- Take the first left onto Lead Mine Road.
- In 0.8 mi, arrive at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 5000 Lead Mine Road, on right.

From the Marriott to Holy Trinity - Option B

- Turn right out of the hotel driveway towards Creedmoor Road.
- Take the first right onto Creedmoor Road/NC-50.
- Take the first right onto Sugar Bush Road.
- In 0.4 mi, turn left onto Lead Mine Road.
- In 0.3 mi, arrive at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, on right.

From Holy Trinity to the Marriott

- Turn left out of the church parking lot onto Lead Mine Road.
- In 0.8 mi, turn right onto Glenwood Avenue/US-70.
- In 0.3 mi, turn right onto Marriott Drive. The hotel is on the right.





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Adult Registration Form - SFGOCM Conference 2017

PLEASE NOTE:

- There will NOT be a separate Youth /Children's Choir this year. Teens will sing with Adult Choir.
- In keeping with SFGOCM's commitment to supporting all church musicians, there will be Chanting Workshops and Rehearsals to learn and sing the Orthros/Matins prior to Saturday's Hierarchical Liturgy. There will be an effort to make it possible for participants to attend BOTH choir and chanting rehearsals if they desire to sing both services. Completing registration form and fees below entitles participants to attend any and all rehearsals and all social events/meals. For details on rehearsals and music for chanters/psalti, please contact Fr. Seraphim Dedes at: E-mail: seraphimdedes@gmail.com; Phone: 704-719-3074

Are you registering as a (circle one):	Choir Memb	oer		Chai	nter		Both	
Name:								
Address:								_
City/State/ZIP:								
Phone:		Email:						
Parish Name and City:								_
Preferred Name on Badge:								_
Are you a choir delegate for your parish?	Yes	No						
Please circle your singing part:	Soprano	Alto	Tenor		Bass			
Date and Time of Arrival:								_
In observance of the Apostles fast, all mea	als will be Lenten.	Please list	special di	etary re	estrictions:			
I will need a ride from the hotel to the chu	rch (circle one)		Yes		No			
Conference Registration:			Price Per	r X Qty	/. = Total Pri	ice		
Adult Registration Fee postmarked no late	er than May 1, 2017	•	\$175 X		= \$			
Late Fee for each registration postmarked	l after May 1, 2017		\$ 25 X		= \$			
Guest Meals for non-registered particip	oants:							
Wednesday NC Museum of Art Reception Choir will be rehearsing during this time)	(guests only,		\$ 100 X		= \$			
Thursday Philoptochos Luncheon:			\$50 X		= \$			
Thursday Grand Banquet:			\$100 X	П	= \$			
Friday Breakfast:			\$5 X		= \$			
Friday Lunch:			\$10 X		= \$			
Social Event (adult, wine & beer cash bar)):		\$40 X		= \$			
Social Event (child):			\$20 X		= \$			
Saturday Farewell Lunch			\$10 X		= \$			
Grand Total (registration and guest meals):				\$			
Make checks navable to GOMA Clergy-Lait	v and mail with fo	rm to:						

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Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 5000 Lead Mine Road, Raleigh NC 27612





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Teen Registration Form - SFGOCM Conference 2017

First Name	Last Name		
Parent or Guardian			
Give TWO contact numbers for	this weekend		
Address			
City/State/Zip			
Home Phone	E-mail		_
Parish Name and City			
AgeG	rade in School		
Do you sing in your church yo		Yes	No
Do you sing in your church te	en choir?	Yes	No
Do you have a parent attendi	•	Yes	No
Is your parent(s) interested in	assisting or chaperoning?	Yes	No
In observance of the Apostles f	ast, all meals will be Lenten. Plea	ase list special dietary restrictions:	
Parent/Guardian Signature		Date	
Conference Registration:			
Teen Registration Fee postmar	ked no later than May 1, 2017	\$115 X = \$	
Late Fee for each registration p	ostmarked after May 1, 2017	\$ 25 X = \$	
Grand Total		=\$	-
Please See Conference Regis	stration, Deadlines & Fees" reg	arding payment and refund polic	cy.

Please See "Federation Information: DUES" on Page 2.

Please complete the Teen Release form on the following page.

The Scholarship 100 Fund has subsidized this registration allowing for this reduced rate per your participant.





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Teen Release Form

I hereby give permission for my child (plea	ase print),	
Orthodox Church of Raleigh, NC on June 21 liability for any accident or injury that may other than the property of the Holy Trinity	ion of the Greek Orthodox Choirs and Musicians (SFGOCM) Conference to be 1 - 24, 2017, and hereby release SFGOCM and Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Chuy occur during the course of said event, including travel to and from activitie Greek Orthodox Church, Raleigh, NC. I hereby authorize any medical treatm nderstands that he/she must abide by all rules of the event. I also accept fuchild.	urch and its agents from any es that are held at locations nent for my child in the case
_ ·	M and the National Forum to use my/my child's/my children's picture if it is tional materials, their websites, their Facebook pages, and any other Orthodox.)	
Signature of Parent or Guardian	Date	
Parent Name	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Home Phone	Cell Phone	
Insurance Company	Phone Number	
Insurance Policy Number		
Home Parish		
City	State	
Child's Date of Birth		
Please return this completed form along w This Form must be received before your	vith your Teen Registration Form. r child may participate in any activities.	
Make checks payable to <u>GOMA Clergy-Lait</u>	y and mail with form to:	

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Adult/Teen Choir Schedule

(subject to change)

2:00pm – 6:00pm	Conference Registration	Marriott
6:00pm – 7:00pm	Dinner	On your own
7:00pm - 9:30pm	Rehearsal	Marriott M/W/S/D
10:00pm – 11:00pm	Compline	Chapel/Creedmoor Room

Thursday, June 22, 2017 **Conference Continues**

7:00am – 8:00am	Chapel	Chapel/Creedmoor Room
9:00am - 6:00pm	Conference Registration	Marriott
7:30am - 8:30am	Continental Breakfast	Glenwood Ballroom
8:30am - 11:00am	Opening Ceremony/Doxology	Glenwood Ballroom
11:00am - 12:00pm	Rehearsal	Marriott M/W/S/D
12:00pm - 2:00pm	Philoptochos Luncheon	Glenwood Ballroom
2:00pm - 6:00pm	Rehearsal	Marriott M/W/S/D
6:00pm - 6:30pm	Free Time	

6:30pm - 7:30pm Social Marriott

7:30 pm - 10:00pm **Grand Banquet** Glenwood Ballroom 10:00pm - 11:00pm Chapel/Creedmoor Room Chapel

Friday, June 23, 2017 **Conference Continues**

7:00am -8:00am	Transportation to Church	
7:30am - 9:00am	Breakfast	Holy Trinity Church
8:00am - 12:00pm	Conference Registration	Holy Trinity Church
9:00am – 12:00pm	Rehearsal	Holy Trinity Church
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Lunch/Federation Meeting	Holy Trinity Church
1:30pm - 5:00pm	Rehearsal	Holy Trinity Church
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5:00pm - 6:00pm Return to Hotel/Free Time 6:00pm - 7:00pm Transportation to Church **Dinner and Social Event** 7:00pm - 9:30pm

Holy Trinity Church

9:30pm - 10:30pm Transportation to Hotel

Saturday, June 24, 2017 **Divine Liturgy**

Transportation to Church	
Warm-up and Line Up	Holy Trinity Church
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy	Holy Trinity Church
Farewell Lunch	Holy Trinity Church
	Warm-up and Line Up Hierarchical Divine Liturgy





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Commemorative Album - Choir Photo and Roster ONLY

Date	
Name of Parish	
Address	
Phone (_)	
• •	y the sum of \$100 for a choir photo to be included in the 2017 Metropolis of Atlanta Clergy-Laity se enclose a choir roster with your photo. Photo will be a full page and in color.
Signature	Printed Name
	Deadline for all choir photos must be postmarked by MAY 1, 2017
Photos must be high resolution 2017gomaconference@gmail.com	and ready for printing. Email photo and copy of scanned form to Sydney Langford at n.

Make checks payable to **GOMA Clergy-Laity** and mail with form to:

Choir Conference 2017

Sydney Langford

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

5000 Lead Mine Road

Raleigh, NC 27612

The Commemorative Album for 2017 will be a keepsake album of Choir pictures and supportive friends. We encourage all choirs to participate by sending a picture & roster. Friends & family can send encouragement with a patron ad. Patron ads can be placed using the Commemorative Album Form (enclosed). This form is just for photos of the Parish Choir and roster.



SPONSORSHIP LEVELS (please circle one):

GOLD PATRON: \$2,500

Full page (8"x 10") color

SILVER PATRON: \$1,500

Half page (0"v 10") color

SUSTAINER: \$500

SIGNATURE_

Full page (8"x 10") black & white

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COMMEMORATIVE ALBUM FORM

This year the Commemorative Album will include the Assembly schedule, providing additional opportunity for your advertisements to be seen. Please consider submitting an advertisement according to the following guidelines. If you have any questions, please contact Sydney Langford at 2017gomaconference@gmail.com.

PATRON: \$250

DONOR: \$100

FRIEND: \$50

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Quarter page (4"x 5") black & white

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