

SPECIAL PRAYER CONCERNS DURING THE DAYS OF NATIONAL CONFERENCE

TUESDAY, MAY 28

- Pray for safety as pastors and lay delegates travel to Messiah College from all over the “EC world”.
- Ask the Lord to open our ears and hearts to the messages we will hear during the days of National Conference.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

- Pray for the presence of the Holy Spirit as National Conference begins with a Communion Service. Pray for all those participating and Bishop Bruce Hill who will be preaching.
- Pray for Bishop Hill as he presents his Episcopal Address in the opening business session of Conference. This is a “State of the Church” address to the entire Conference.
- Praise God for the opportunity for our pastors and lay delegates to worship our Lord together.

THURSDAY, MAY 30

- Pray for our denomination’s affiliated ministries as they share news and updates: Evangelical Seminary, StoneRidge Retirement Living; camps: ECCO, Rock River and Twin Pines.
- Pray for the various denominational leaders who will be preaching in the worship services which are a vital aspect of what we do during National Conference.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit will bless our “Educational Experience” as the pastoral and lay delegates chose from a long list of workshops which are being offered to enhance their lives and ministries.

FRIDAY, MAY 31

- Praise the Lord and pray for candidates who have responded to God’s call and are seeking ministerial credentials at National Conference.
- Pray for the pastors who are retiring on June 30; that their final month of assigned ministry will be filled with joy.
- Pray for the pastors, families, and congregations who are experiencing change following this Conference; may the Lord bless their endings and beginnings!



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Who We Are

“... you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God’s very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.”

1 PETER 2:9



There is no room in following Jesus for “identity amnesia.” Daniel was carried off to a foreign land but he clearly knew who he was and more importantly who he served. So Daniel lived out that relationship as one of God’s chosen people even when threatened by the authorities. The early church was scattered across the Roman Empire and beyond, yet they did not retreat from who they were or what they believed. They lived out their vital and intimate relationship with Jesus in every situation. The apostle Peter experienced misunderstanding and persecution first hand. The disciple who once denied Jesus was reinstated and would never turn back or lose confidence in his Savior and Lord. This year our National Conference will examine what God’s Word says about WHO WE ARE as his followers, his people, called to live out our faith in a lost and hurting world.

On May 29-31 pastors and lay delegates from all around the Evangelical Congregational Church world will meet on the campus of Messiah College in Grantham, PA for our denomination’s annual National Conference. Conference is valuable for a number of reasons: we get to hear what God has been doing in and through all the ministries of the EC Church, we review reports from various communities and committees, we look at where the Lord is leading us in the future, and we spend time renewing relationships and making new friends. National Conference is vital to the life of the Church!

I am asking all the members and friends of the Evangelical Congregational Church to join me in a month of prayer for our National Conference. Please use this prayer guide for the month of May. I am depending on your prayers and on the presence of the Holy Spirit as we prepare and conduct our National Conference.

In Christ’s Service,

Bishop Bruce D. Hill



**NATIONAL CONFERENCE
PRAYER GUIDE INSIDE**

A MONTH OF PRAYER FOR NATIONAL CONFERENCE

MAY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			Thank God for the EC Churches around the world who are joining us in prayer.	Pray for God's blessing as we consider Ministerial Candidates.	Pray for God's blessing for StoneRidge Retirement Community	Praise the Lord for opportunities to renew old friendships and make new ones.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Thank the Lord for the service of our missionaries all around the world who are also praying.	Pray for Bishop Hill as final agenda preparations are made.	Pray for those presenting reports and casting ministry vision.	Pray for safety for our Chaplains as they come to NC2019.	Pray for the various EC leaders who will be preaching.	Pray for the Worship Team and their ministry in music.	Ask the Lord to speak to us as we discover WHO WE ARE in Jesus.
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Pray for the Lord's leadership as we strive to be a movement of God.	Pray for God's direction for Evangelical Seminary.	Ask the Lord to bless our camps: Camp ECCO (OH), Rock River (IL), and Twin Pines (PA).	Pray for the pastors who will be retiring and leaving their churches.	Pray the Lord's blessing on all our District Field Directors.	Ask for the Lord's leading of our church's Executive Director.	Ask the Lord to continue to speak even after Conference is over.
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Ask the Lord's blessing on the Messiah College staff who will be serving our Conference.	Thank the Lord for all those serving in the background to make NC 2019 a great experience.	Ask the Lord to bless the time of prayer by our Prayer Mobilization Team.	Pray for the Community Associates: Les, Gary, Jeff & Ted.	Pray for the "Education Experience" to be a time of growth.	Pray for all the Pastors and Delegates as they attend the National Conference.	Ask the Lord to speak through those leading workshops.
26	27	28	29	30	31	June 1
Pray for the Bishop's Episcopal Address.	Pray for safety for all the people traveling to NC 2019.	Pray for the Holy Spirit's leading in the opening Communion Service.	<div style="border: 2px solid purple; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p>2019 National Conference Messiah College</p> </div>			Pray for safety as delegates travel home.