

Athens First United Methodist Church

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January 30, 2007

Dear 2007 Annual Conference Delegates,

On behalf of the Annual Conference Host Committee and the Athens-Elberton District, we look forward to welcoming you to the 2007 North Georgia Annual Conference. You honor us by returning to Athens again this year.

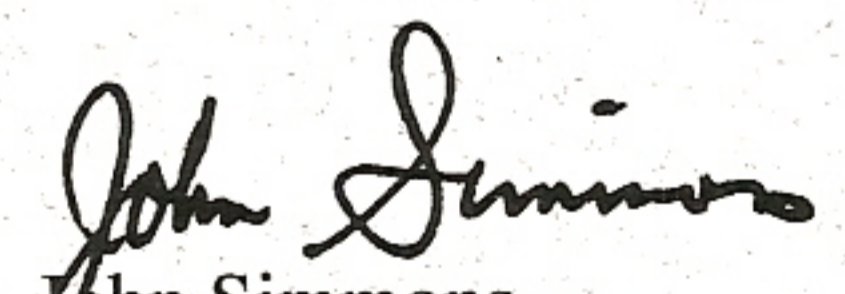
If you are a first-time delegate to Annual Conference in Athens, we want you to know that much of what makes our community an exciting place to visit is within walking distance of the Classic Center. We believe you will enjoy the variety of restaurants as well as the warm friendliness of the downtown area. As in past years, breakfast and lunch will be available at the Classic Center.

Please read carefully the Conference information enclosed in this packet. We have provided some general information about housing, parking, the Classic Center, special needs, and a Great Day of Service. For your convenience, the Athens Convention and Visitors Bureau has provided a list of area hotels. Please remember, you are responsible for making your own lodging reservations. When you call your chosen hotel, please mention that you will be attending the North Georgia Annual Conference. This will enable you to receive the conference rate. If you are unsuccessful in securing a room, please call the Athens CVB at the number indicated on the information sheet. We believe you will find that Athens has plenty of rooms for everyone attending Annual Conference.

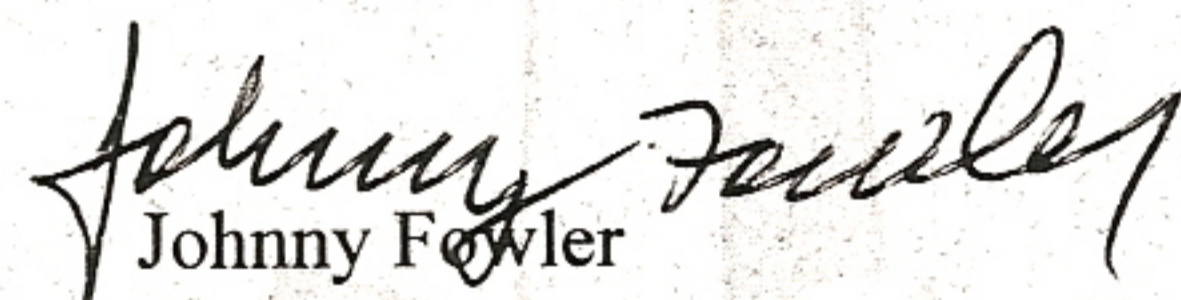
As in the past, convenient parking for the Conference will be available at the Classic Center parking deck, the Courthouse parking deck, and the University of Georgia North Campus Parking Deck on Jackson Street. Provisions have been made for church vans and buses to shuttle delegates to and from the University of Georgia North Campus Parking Deck, which is only three blocks below the Classic Center. We do encourage you to carpool when possible. Permits for parking vans and buses used to carpool can be requested on the special needs form in this packet.

Once again, delegates will have an opportunity to participate in a Great Day of Service on Wednesday afternoon. We will send more information and a registration form for it in a mailing next month. Updated information and a parking pass will be in the delegate handbook which you will receive at your district's Annual Conference orientation session in May. As always, forms and conference information also are available on the conference website: www.ngumc.org.

Again, we look forward to seeing you in Athens in June.


John Simmons
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