PRE-ANNUAL CONFERENCE CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENT

Listening for the Sound of the Genuine

July 2-3, 2024

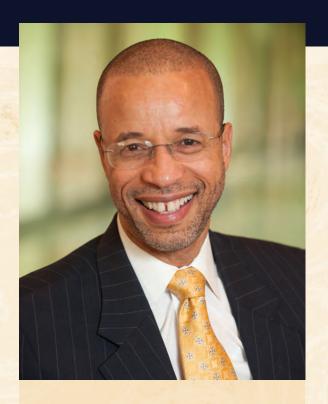
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Thomas has served as senior pastor for congregations in Matteson, Illinois and Memphis, Tennessee. Out of a lifetime practicing, studying, teaching, and writing about preaching, Dr. Thomas invites us to "Listen for the sound of the genuine."

Howard Thurman writes "There is something in every [one of us] that waits, listens for the sound of the genuine in [ourselves]." Preaching is a reflection of the genuine inside of ourselves. But, have we ever listened to our own preaching? We concentrate on what our preaching says to the congregation or the audience, but what does it say to us when we actually sit down and listen carefully, quietly, and deeply to our own sermons? Do we hear the sound of the genuine? Preachers would be helped to cultivate the discipline of listening to the sound that comes through their sermons. Each preacher is a better preacher when they are able to answer the question: How does the sound of the genuine come through you, particularly through preaching?

His books The Choice: Living Your Passion Inside Out and Preaching as Celebration Digital Lecture Series (based on his first book, They Like to Never Quit Praisin' God) will be the basis of our event. His most recently book is The God of the Dangerous Sermon.



Registration

Tuesday, July 2: 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Event

Tuesday, July 2: 6:00 - 9:00 pm Wednesday, July 3: 9:00 - 11:45 am and 1:15 - 4:00 pm

Complimentary Dinner

offered Tuesday July 2 to all attenders, 5:00 - 5:45 pm just prior to the opening session (advance registration required for meal; attendees' children may be included if registered)

Buffet Luncheon

(available for purchase) Wednesday, July 3: 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm

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Church of the Brethren

Brethren Ministers' Association Pre-Annual Conference Continuing Education Event July 2 & 3, 2024

Registration Form

Or register online at www.brethren.org/sustaining

(Pre-registration cut-off date June 10, 2024)

Name(s)	
Address	
Phone # () E-mail:	
Registration will be confirmed by email, if you provide an email address Translation needed for:SpanishSign LanguageCreoleOther (specify)
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Registration Fee Schedule: First-timer Fee! @ \$55.00in person orhybrid	
Individual @ \$95.00 (\$135.00 at the door) in person orhybrid	
Couple @ \$150.00 (\$190.00 at the door) in person or hybrid	
Current Seminary, EFSM, or TRIM Student @ \$55.00 (\$80.00 at the door)	
in person orhybrid Registration Total	\$
Continuing Education Units (credentialed clergy only) # X \$10.00	\$
Tuesday evening July 2 Complimentary Dinner	
(Cost is covered by the Part-time Pastor; Full-time Church Program)	
# of persons attending the Dinner from your family	
Wednesday, July 3 Buffet Luncheon Ticket @ \$20.00	\$
Wednesday, July 3 Buffet Luncheon Ticket for children in M.A. Child Care @ \$10.00	\$
(Meal cost is being subsidized by the Brethren Ministers Association)	
On-Site Child Supervised Play for Toddler – Elementary school	
Sessions needed: Tues. evening Wed. morning Wed. afternoon	
Children's Names and Ages	
Parent/Guardian Contact (during sessions)	
Indicate any special needs or allergies	
Fees for On-site Supervised Child Play per session: \$5.00/child or \$25.00 maximum total	per family
number of children x \$5, x number of sessions = Total childcare	
Registration processing fee	-
Total Fees Enclosed	

Checks payable to: CoB Ministers' Association - Mail registration by June 10, 2024 to: Ministers' Association, Attn: Ben Lattimer, Stone Church of the Brethren 1623 Moore St. Huntingdon, PA 16652-2045

If your plans change, we can process a full refund up until 1 month before the event.