

2008 Preconference and Conference  
General Information

*Registration Information*

**Preconference is 11 June 8:30 to 3:30: Teaching Math to Upper Elementary and Lower Middle using Manipulatives with Dr. Milton Uecker. The preconference registration fee is \$89 or for a group of three or more \$79.**

**Conference is 11, 12, 13, 14 June 2008, beginning with supper 5:00 on Wednesday evening and ending 4:00 Saturday.**

**Registration begins late February 2008 on the web-site. It will be on-line and the program is presently being constructed, to be up as soon as finished.**

**Note the 3 registration periods and prices. Please save money and register early.**

<b>Registration Periods and Fees</b>	
15 February 2008 – 31 April 2008	\$89 per person or family* \$79 for a group (3 or more persons or families*)
1 May 2008 – 31 May 2008	\$99 per person or family* \$89 for a group (3 or more individuals or families*)
1 June 2008 – Until Conference begins	\$109 per person or family: no group rates
*For each additional family member attending conference (spouse, adult child)	\$25 administration fee
Daily Registration	Does not include meals
Thursday	\$59
Friday	\$59.
Saturday	\$49
Lodging for Adults	\$20.00 per person per night for <u>dorm</u> \$25.00 per person per night for <u>apartment</u>
Lodging for Children	0-3 are free 4-11 50% of adult price 12 up same as adult
Meals	Per day – \$16.50 pay in advance Pay at the door for one day attendees
One day only attendees pay at door	Breakfast –\$5.00 Lunch – \$6.25 Supper -- \$7.25
Meals for Children	0-3 are free 4-11 50% of adult price 12 up same as adult

**Walk-ins welcomed at the late registration fee of \$119.00, if space allows.**

**\*Note: If your spouse or adult children wish to attend the conference, there is an additional \$25 administrative fee per additional adult attendee. Administrative fee does not apply to one-day-only registration.**

**Registration this year will be on-line. (Hopefully this should save us many hours of registration work.) You can save money (and save us extra headaches) by registering early!**

### *Additional Conference Information*

Conference schedule is being put together; please see the Quick Look for 2008 Conference Topics. Check updates approximately every two weeks for updates.

No childcare will be provided at the conference, but children are welcome on campus as long as they are under adult supervision at all times. Please remember that each child must be noted on registration form for security/insurance. There is a duck pond on campus with an encircling sidewalk; lovely place to walk but be careful of small children feeding squawking geese bread. Those birds will pursue bread. Across Main Street, to the right of the cemetery is a building that used to be an old school and behind that is a small playground/park.

Please keep in mind that auditorium seating is for registered conference participants only.

Those interested in college credit or continuing education credits can email Carroll Smith at [info@childlightusa.org](mailto:info@childlightusa.org). Participants will receive a certificate of attendance for sessions in which they participate.

We will enjoy entertainment throughout the conference.

Those attending Wednesday preconference math workshop and conference and need to stay overnight Tuesday can stay on campus. For Wednesday meals: breakfast is pay-at-door \$5.00 at Caf or on your own; lunch comes with preconference, and then dinner starts conference meal plan.

There is the option this year for folks to stay overnight on Saturday; remember that Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast will be on your own. There are local restaurants within walking distance of the university. Don't expect anything exciting.

There will be no Sunday Morning Service this year.

### *Off Campus Lodging*

If you prefer staying off campus, there is an AmericInn with a continental breakfast just outside of our small village about .8 of a mile away from the conference site. The conference rate at the AmericInn is \$65 for two queen beds. Families with multiple children may find this cheaper than staying on campus. This hotel also has an indoor pool. Their telephone number is 704.434.9996. It is best to call them Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Also, there are other traditional accommodations such as Holiday Inn Express; however, these are a 15-20 minute drive away. At all of these ask for the Gardner-Webb/Charlotte Mason Conference rate. You can also see the link on this website for other choices.

### *Transportation Information*

If you are flying in and need a ride from the Charlotte airport, please complete the travel section of the registration form.

WE NEED HELP WITH TRANSPORTING OUT-OF-TOWNERS TO AND FROM CHARLOTTE AIRPORT. If you live in the Charlotte area or will be passing through the Charlotte area and can pick up people from the airport on your way to the conference, please complete that portion of the

registration form. We are dependent on conference attendees to help with our airport shuttle

On Wednesday, June 11, there will be only two airport shuttles times: 2:00 and 4:30 p.m. We cannot provide other pick-up times, especially during conference meeting times. The airport is approximately an hour's drive from the university during normal traffic.

If you are planning to attend the all day preconference math workshop on June 11 and need to fly in on Tuesday, let us know. We will schedule one late Tuesday afternoon pick up.

## *Weather Related Information*

Bring a raincoat and a light jacket for cool evenings. You might want to check [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com) before coming. Sometimes it is hot and sometimes it is cool.

## *On Campus Lodging*

On campus lodging costs are set by the university; please note the change for children ages 0-3 free, 4-11 half price, and 12+ adult price.

Dorm rooms have two single beds per room with a hall bath. Apartments contain 4 bedrooms with a double bed in each. Please bring your own bed linens and towels. In each apartment there is a living room, kitchen and small laundry room in the center with two bedrooms and a bath on each side. Each apartment has a microwave, regular stove, oven, refrigerator, washer and dryer.

Please indicate your roommate preference or we may have to assign one. This is usually not a problem for a conference like ours because you meet interesting, like-minded people. For apartment mates, we try to put friends on one side of apartment, sharing a bath. Since you pay per person per night for the apartment, a married couple can have "their side" of an apartment with two rooms and one bath. If we have to put two couples in an apartment that don't know each other, we put one couple on one side with their own bath and one couple on the other side with their own bath. Fire code allows only 6 persons per apartment.

**Remember to bring your own towels, bed linens (apartments have double beds and dorms have singles) and toiletries.**

For Apartment Floor Plan [Click Here](#)

## *On Campus Meals*

Meal costs are set by the university; please note the change of children 0-3 free, 4-11 half price, and 12+ adult price. If you purchase a meal card for a day or the entire conference and at the last minute decide not to eat in the Caf, the conference still has to pay for your meal. The Caf purchases food several days before the conference begins and these costs must be covered. *Therefore, do not ask for a refund for meals.* The university has requested that we provide an approximate head count by June 1, 2008. Your best option is to consider carefully your meal needs and purchase accordingly. There are a number of people who bring their own food. Because the Caf prefers for individuals not purchasing a meal card to eat in places other than the dining room, we try to provide lunch sessions with various speakers where anyone can eat their lunch or dinner. There are tables outside the Caf where groups can eat together and outside the building as well. It is cheaper to pay for a full day than to pay by the meal.

## *Refund Policy*

To obtain a refund, you must have registered before 15 May 2008. After 15 May there will be no

refunds except for extreme emergencies such as a death in the immediate family. Refunds create a lot of work and since volunteers do most of the work for this conference, refunds have become a burden and are unreasonable.

Please remember that if you lose a key, the university will charge us \$25.00. Our conference leaves on Saturday and then Crossroads youth ministries arrive on Sunday, ready to receive their keys. They fill every dorm room and apartment on campus. So even if you leave with a key and send it back the following week, it is too late and we are charged \$25 and have to pass that expense along to you.

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