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Youth Pastor

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Dear Virginia Conference Members:

Welcome to the 235th Session of the Virginia Annual Conference which will take place from 16-18 June 2017. We will again meet in the Hampton Roads Convention Center. It has a peaked roof line like a sailing ship and is to the left of the round Hampton Coliseum we have used in years past.

There is a lot to do as well as a lot of history in this area. There are many museums, historical locations, excellent restaurants and affordable lodging.

On the back of this letter is a list of area hotels and motels that have special rates for the conference. Please follow these steps to make your hotel reservations:

1. Make your lodging selection from the attached list and call them.
2. Please have your name, number guests, special needs, dates arriving and departing ready to make your reservations.
3. Identify yourself as a member of Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church to receive the designated group rate.
4. Confirm your reservation number and their cancellation policy.
5. Friday check-in will be like previous conferences.

Please make your reservations as soon as possible, as the hotels fill quickly.

The City of Hampton Visitor's Bureau will have a table set up with more information near Conference registration.

Because of little use the last 4 years, we will not be offering shuttles to/from hotels and convention center.

There will be breakfasts, lunches and dinners at the Convention Center itself to facilitate your attendance to this important conference.

Please note that the Convention Center has limited self-contained RV parking (no water, dumping or electricity). There are however several area campgrounds to choose from. (<http://www.hampton.gov/parks/>)

As we approach our Conference dates, please regularly check for updates in the *Virginia Advocate* and at the Virginia Conference website: www.vaumc.org/AC2017.

On behalf of the 2017 Annual Conference Planning Committee, we welcome you.

Should you have *housing* questions, please contact me at cell number: 540-819-9386 or by e-mail at: timcraft@vaumc.org

Your servant in Christ;

Reverend Tim Craft

HAMPTON HOTELS
Virginia Annual Conference Session
June 16-18, 2017

Property	Address	Distance from Convention Center	Telephone for Reservations	Room Rate plus Tax	Amenities
Hampton					
Candlewood Suites	401 Butler Farm Rd. Hampton, VA 23666	3 miles	757-766-8976	\$119.00	Food Store for Purchases, Free Internet, Business services, Fitness Center, Laundry, Pet Friendly.
Country Inn & Suites	1551 Hardy Cash Dr. Hampton, VA 23666	2 miles	757-224-9994	\$119.00	Free Breakfast, Free Internet, Microwave, Refrigerator, Business Center, Fitness Center, Indoor Pool.
Courtyard by Marriott	1917 Coliseum Dr. Hampton, VA 23666	1/4 mile	757-838-3300	\$139.00	Free Internet, Business Center, Fitness Center, Outdoor Pool, Courtyard Café.
Crown Plaza Hampton Marina	700 Settlers Landing Rd. Hampton, VA 23669	3.5 miles	757-727-9700	\$125.00	Free Internet, Free Parking, Restaurants, Rooftop Pool, Fitness Center.
Embassy Suites	1700 Coliseum Dr. Hampton, VA 23666	Attached to Convention Center	757-827-8200	\$174.00	HEADQUARTERS HOTEL , Free Full Cooked Breakfast, Free Manager's Reception, Internet Access, Business Center, Indoor Pool, Fitness Center.
Hampton Inn	3101 Coliseum Dr. Hampton, VA 23666	2 miles	757-838-1400	\$129.00	Free Breakfast, Free On the Go Breakfast Bags, Free Internet, Indoor pool.
Hilton Garden Inn	1999 Power Plant Pky Hampton, VA 23666	1 mile	757-310-6323	\$129.00	Restaurant, Free Internet, Business Center, Fitness Center, Indoor pool.
Holiday Inn Express	1813 West Mercury Blvd. Hampton, VA 23666	1 mile	757-838-8484	\$139.00	Free Breakfast, Free Internet, Business Center, Fitness Center, Indoor Pool, Microwave and Refrigerator.
Quality Inn	1809 W. Mercury Blvd Hampton, Va 23666	1 mile	757-838-5011	\$89.99	Free Breakfast, Free Internet, Exercise Room, Indoor Pool, Microwave, Pet Friendly.
Red Roof	1925 Coliseum Dr. Hampton, VA 23666	1/4 mile	757-838-1870	\$77.00	Free Internet, Pet Friendly.
Springhill Suites	1997 Power Plant Pky Hampton, VA	1 mile	757-310-6333	\$139.00	Free Breakfast, Free Internet, Business Center, Fitness Center, Indoor Pool.
Suburban Extended Stay	1616 Hardy Cash Dr. Hampton, VA 23666	2 miles	757-951-2000	\$94.99	Full Kitchen, Free Internet.
Newport News					
Marriott City Center	740 Town Center Dr. Newport News, VA 23606	7.7 miles	757-837-9299	\$139.00	Restaurant, Free Internet, Fitness Center, Paid Parking.
Comfort Inn	12330 Jefferson Ave. Newport News, VA 23602	7.8 miles	757-249-0200	\$109.00	Free Breakfast, Free Internet, Free Parking, Outdoor Pool.
Courtyard by Marriott Airport	530 St. Johns Rd. Newport News, VA 23602	10 miles	757-842-6212	\$139.00	Restaurant, Free Internet, Free Parking, Indoor Pool.
Hampton Inn	12251 Jefferson Ave. Newport News, VA 23602	10 miles	757-249-0001	\$139.00	Free Breakfast, Free Internet, Free Parking, Fitness Center.
Residence Inn Airport	531 St. Johns Rd. Newport News, VA 23602	10 miles	757-842-6214	\$119.00	Free Breakfast, Free Internet, Free Parking, Indoor Pool, Fitness Center.
Holiday Inn Express	943 J Clyde Morris Blvd. Newport News, VA 23601	5.9 miles	757-596-6417	\$119.00	Restaurant, Free Internet, Free Parking, Indoor Pool.