

# WORLD METHODIST CONFERENCE PROGRAM

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	Thursday 15 Aug 2024	Friday 16 Aug 2024	Saturday 17 Aug 2024	Sunday 18 Aug 2024
	<b>MIGRATION</b>	<b>PILGRIMAGE</b>	<b>GUIDING LIGHTS</b>	
<b>WORSHIP</b> <b>8:30 - 9:30</b>	Morning Worship Including Singing, Dancing, Liturgy and Prayer	Morning Worship Including Singing, Dancing, Liturgy and Prayer	Morning Worship Including Singing, Dancing, Liturgy and Prayer	
<b>9:30 - 10:00</b>	Peace Award Presentation Dollaga & Alsted			
<b>PROGRAM/PANEL</b> <b>9:30 - 10:25</b>		<b>Leader</b> – Rev. Tony Franklin Ross - <b>An Interview</b> with a Panel of 4 Ecumenical Guests	<b>Leaders</b> – Rev. Carin Dernulf & Rev. Marcus Lind <b>An Interview</b> with a Panel focusing on the challenges and opportunities for Christianity in a post-modern era <b>Panelists</b> -Dr. Joel Halidorf, Rev. Sturla Stålseth, Rev. Sofia Camnerin	
<b>SPEAKERS</b> <b>10:25 - 10:40</b>	<b>10:00 – 10:40</b> <b>Leader</b> – Bishop Rosemarie Wenner - <b>An Interview with a panel from around the world affected by migration</b>	<b>Pilgrimage of Peace and Reconciliation Working together for Unity, Justice, and Peace</b> - Bishop Olav Fykse Tveit	<b>How is Africa contributing to the shaping of Global Christianity?</b> - Bishop Sunday Onuoha	<b>10:00 – 12:00</b> <i>On the Move</i> - Worship Communion and sending forth by the Uniting Church of Sweden and WMC denominational leaders
<b>10:40 - 10:45</b>	<b>A Faith Sharing New Testament - WME</b> Rev. Dr. Kim Reisman	<b>A Faith Sharing New Testament - WME</b> Rev. Dr. Kim Reisman	<b>A Faith Sharing New Testament - WME</b> Rev. Dr. Kim Reisman	

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<b>10:45-11:15</b>	Tea/ Coffee Break	Tea/ Coffee Break	Tea/ Coffee Break
<p><i>Choose a Taster:</i> <b>11:15-12:15</b> EXPLORING the Themes through Different Cultural Lenses</p>	<b>Engaging the Story of Ruth: Asian, Latinx, Feminist, &amp; Womanists Readings</b> Dr. Sujin Pak & YYA	<b>A Walk to the Sacred Mountain</b> Africa: Cradle of Humanity & Center of Christianity in 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Bishop Alice Mwila, Rev. Dr. Martin Mujinga & YYA	<b>A Light for the Future</b> Africa: Cradle of Humanity & Center of Christianity in 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Bishop Alice Mwila, Rev. Dr. Martin Mujinga & YYA
	<b>Guarding our Souls in Times of War – Justice, Peace and Reconciliation ... Reflection from Ukraine and Russia</b> Ms. Emma Gunnarsson & Ukrainian Pastor	<b>Engaging the Walk to Emmaus: Asian, Latinx, Feminist, and Womanist Readings</b> Dr. Sujin Pak & YYA	<b>Engaging the Story of Jacob Wrestling with God: Asian, Latinx, Feminist, and Womanist Readings</b> Dr. Sujin Pak & YYA
	<b>In Search of Belonging</b> Africa: Cradle of Humanity & Center of Christianity in 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Bishop Alice Mwila, Rev. Dr. Martin Mujinga & YYA	<b>Guarding our Souls in Times of War – Justice, Peace and Reconciliation ... Reflection from Ukraine and Russia</b> Ms. Emma Gunnarsson & Ukrainian Pastor	<b>Guarding our Souls in Times of War – Justice, Peace, and Reconciliation ... Reflection from Ukraine and Russia</b> Ms. Emma Gunnarsson & Ukrainian Pastor
	<b>Interpreting Scripture from the 3 Abrahamic traditions</b> Rev. Dr. Reynaldo Leao Neto, Rabbi Frank Dabba-Smith, Ms. Tahseen Mehar	<b>Interpreting Scripture from the 3 Abrahamic traditions</b> Rev. Dr. Reynaldo Leao Neto, Rabbi Frank Dabba-Smith, Ms. Tahseen Mehar	<b>Interpreting Scripture from the 3 Abrahamic traditions</b> Rev. Dr. Reynaldo Leao Neto, Rabbi Frank Dabba-Smith, Ms. Tahseen Mehar
	<b>The Great Migration in the Visual Arts, Literature, and Music – African American Experience</b> Bishop Kennetha Bigham-Tsai & Ms. Mackenize Carlson	<b>Hagar and the African American Pilgrimage to Hope</b> Bishop Kennetha Bigham-Tsai & Ms. Mackenize Carlson	<b>Hope and Healing for a Diasporic People – African American Experience</b> Bishop Kennetha Bigham-Tsai & Ms. Mackenize Carlson
	<b>The Journey of Hope: Exploring Migration's Challenges and Aspirations</b> Bishop Paul Swarup & YYA	<b>The Journey of Faith: Seeking and Self-transformation</b> Bishop Paul Swarup & YYA	<b>The Journey of Guidance – Nurturing the Inner Compass of Life's Path</b> Bishop Paul Swarup & YYA
	<b>Wesleyan &amp; Methodist Education</b> Climate Injustice, Displacement & Forced Migration Rev. Dr. Jamisse Taimo & Rev. Dr. Mark Tyler	<b>Wesleyan &amp; Methodist Education</b> Learning Journeys - Spirituality of Indigenous Lands Dr. Robin Minthorn, Rev. Chebon Kernell	<b>Wesleyan &amp; Methodist Education</b> From Regionalization to Intercultural Connectionalism Rev. Dr. Greg Bergquist and Bishop Daniel Lunge
	<b>What's Happening in the Holy Land?</b> A Palestinian Christian Perspective Ms. Areej Masoud & Ms. Lamma Mansour	<b>What's Happening in the Holy Land?</b> A Palestinian Christian Perspective Ms. Areej Masoud & Ms. Lamma Mansour	<b>What's Happening in the Holy Land?</b> A Palestinian Christian Perspective Ms. Areej Masoud & Ms. Lamma Mansour
<b>12:15 – 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b> Provided in Hotel	<b>Lunch Break</b> Provided in Hotel [ECUMENICAL LUNCHEON w Special Guests]	

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<b>SEMINAR 1</b> <b>14:00 - 15:00</b>	<b>A Hybrid Christianity?</b> A religio-cultural analysis of the impact of migration on 21 <sup>st</sup> -century Christianity Rev. Dr. Martin Mujinga	<b>E 4 E – Evangelism for Everyone</b> World Evangelism Dr. Yvette Richards	<b>Afternoon Free</b>
	<b>Challenges in the Holy Land</b> A Palestinian Christian Perspective Ms. Areej Masoud & Ms. Lamma Mansour	<b>From Vulnerability to Separation or Unity</b> Reflections After a Global Pandemic Rev. Sturla Stålseth	
	<b>Looking Back Moves Methodism Forward</b> History, Collections, and Memories Make a Difference Mr. Anthony Elia	<b>Looking Back Moves Methodism Forward</b> History, Collections, and Memories Make a Difference Mr. Anthony Elia	
	<b>Migration from the Various Christian Traditions</b> The Upper Room	<b>Pilgrimage of Peace and Reconciliation</b> Working together for Unity, Justice, and Peace Bishop Olav Fykse Tveit	
	<b>Migration in the Americas</b> Facilitator – Rev. Jack Amick Mr. Cristian Schlick & Ms. Annie Solis	<b>Pilgrimage from the Various Christian Traditions</b> The Upper Room	
	<b>The Implications of Artificial Intelligence for Mobility and Migration</b> Rev. Dr. Young Min Paik Rev. Dr. Paul Shew	<b>Receptive Ecumenism Pilgrimage Project</b> Lessons learned from WMC Ecumenical Dialogues Facilitators- Rev. Tony Franklin-Ross & Rev. Dr. Jean Hawxhurst	
	<b>The Tide is Rising - It's Time to Act</b> Climate Justice Rev. Dr. Upolu Luma Vaai	<b>The Korean Peace Pilgrimage: Encounter with the Korean Roundtable Process</b> Rev. Dr. JC Park & Rev. Dr. Hannah Hwa-Young Chong	
	<b>Working for New International Financial and Economic Architecture: A Call to be Part of the ZacTax Campaign</b> NIFEA - Rev. Suzanne Matale and Ms. Sue Richardson	<b>Wesleyan &amp; Methodist Education</b> Methodist Schools as Places of Pilgrimage Rev. Dr. Peter Mageto, Adriana Murriello, Mr. Andrew Gordon-Brown, and Mr. Gary Best	
<b>13:45 - 17:30</b>	<b>Worship in the Archipelago</b> By Bus and Boat - Capacity 100 <i>*Please note: Some walking required</i>	<b>Worship in the Archipelago</b> By Bus and Boat - Capacity 100	<b>Worship in the Archipelago</b> By Bus and Boat - Capacity 100
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<b>SEMINAR 2</b> <b>15:30 - 16:30</b>	<b>Being Safe and Being Real in a So-Me Culture</b> Ms. Josefine Arenius	<b>An Extraordinary Ecumenical Journey</b> The History of the Formation of Equemeniakyrgan Rev. Lasse Svensson
	<b>Embrace: Showing and Sharing the Love of Jesus</b> World Evangelism Rev. Dr. Kimberly Reisman and Team	<b>Church Development in a post-modern Era</b> Rev. Per Westblom and Rev. Ida-Maria Brengesjö
	<b>Simple Living – Responsible Living</b> Young European Climate Ambassador, Mr. Henrik Götelfeldt	<b>Embrace: Showing and Sharing the Love of Jesus</b> World Evangelism Rev. Dr. Kim Reisman and Team
	<b>Songs from the Soil- Spirituals and the African American Experience</b> Dr. Denise M. Payton and Rev. Dr. Thomas Risager	<b>Songs from the Soil- Spirituals and the African American Experience</b> Dr. Denise M. Payton and Rev. Dr. Thomas Risager
	<b>Taking Wesley Hymns into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century</b> Rev. Dr. Todd Stepp	<b>The Methodist Baptist Dialogue</b> Facilitator - Rev. Tony Franklin-Ross
	<b>The Plight of Children Impacted by Environmental Justice Issues</b> Bishop Teresa Snorton	<b>The Spirituality and Practicality of Pilgrimage</b> Ms. Gillian Kingston
	<b>Welcoming and Loving Our Neighbor - Migrants Navigating into New Worlds</b> Ms. Monalisa Tuitahi	<b>Wesleyan &amp; Methodist Education</b> Black Colleges Matter: HBCU'S as places of African American Pilgrimage Rev. Dr. George French, Prof. Dr. Cynthia Bond Hopson, Pro. Dr. Lester McCorn
	<b>Wesleyan &amp; Methodist Education</b> Worldwide Chaplaincy for Global Migration Rev. Dr. Luther Felder, Dr. Christopher Stephens & Ms. Sue Miller	<b>World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women Changing the World</b> Ms. Sipiwe Chisvo
<b>OPEN</b>	<b>PRAYER ROOM by The Upper Room</b> For Meditation & Prayer	<b>PRAYER ROOM by The Upper Room</b> For Meditation & Prayer

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Everyone Welcome and Urged to Attend all Worship Services

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		<b>MIGRATION</b>	<b>PILGRIMAGE</b>	<b>GUIDING LIGHTS</b>
<b>WORSHIP</b> <b>19:00-20:30</b>	<p><b>OPENING WORSHIP</b></p> <p>Worship Coordinated by the Swedish Host Church</p> <p>Parade of Member Churches/ Visual Presentation</p> <p><b>Keynote Speaker:</b> Rev. Dr. Audrey Warren</p>	<p>Worship Coordinated by the Swedish Host Church</p> <p><b>Keynote Speaker:</b> Bishop Dr. Gordon Wong</p>	<p>Worship Coordinated by the Swedish Host Church</p> <p><b>Keynote Speaker:</b> Stefanie Gabuyo – YYA Paulo Lopes – YYA</p>	<p><b>Scandinavian Party Night</b></p> <p>Music, Choirs, and More</p>

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## SPECIAL EVENTS

*Open to Interested Persons*

	Wednesday 14 Aug 2024	Thursday 15 Aug 2024	Friday 16 Aug 2024	Sunday
		<b>MIGRATION</b>	<b>PILGRIMAGE</b>	<b>GUIDING LIGHTS</b>
<b>17:00 - 19:00</b>		<b>Korea Peace Night - Refreshments Provided</b> Rev. Dr. JC Park – WMC Mr. Roland Fernandes – GBGM Rev. Dong-Hwa Tae - KMC	<b>European Commission on Mission</b> Dr. Ullas Tankler	
<b>17:00 - 19:00</b>		<b>Men’s Ministry, A New Day!</b> <b>Explore pathways that lead to action!</b> <b>Refreshments provided</b> Mr. Andy Morris and Rev. Steve Hickle (WesleyMen)		
<b>20:45</b>	<b>IAMSCU/EdC Reception</b> Amos Nascimento		<b>Proclaimers of the Gospel – Celebrating the Ministry of Dr. H. Eddie &amp; Mary Nell Fox with desserts</b> Ms. Jane Wood	
<b>Late Night Celebration</b>  <span style="color: red;"><b>21:15</b></span>	We offer some late-night program in different churches near the Conference site. Some of these programs are in Swedish but are open for everyone to join! Ask for directions to the different local churches – in the information desk in the Foyer.  (See information below)	We offer some late-night program in different churches near the Conference site. Some of these programs are in Swedish but are open for everyone to join! Ask for directions to the different local churches – in the information desk in the Foyer.  (See information below)	We offer some late-night program in different churches near the Conference site. Some of these programs are in Swedish but are open for everyone to join! Ask for directions to the different local churches – in the information desk in the Foyer.  (See information below)	<i><b>See above for 10 am Sunday</b></i>

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### WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST

#### **“Nobody knows – but Jesus” Late night prayer with the evangelists in Uniting Church in Sweden**

Where: Betlehems kyrkan, Erik Dahlbergsgatan 11 b, Church hall

When: Wednesday 14th of August, 21.15-22.15

Language: English and Swedish

Sermon by Rev. Lena Bergström, song and music by the Anna-Maria Toftgård Group.

Short appeals from the evangelists. Rev. Britta Bolmenäs, leads the service.

#### **Quiz Night: “Where are we heading?”**

Where: Betlehems kyrkan, Erik Dahlbergsgatan 11 b (the Parish floor).

When: Wednesday 14th of August, 21.15-22.15

Language: Swedish (possible simultaneous translation to English)

A Global Quiz night where Diakonia\* and Uniting Church in Sweden takes us to destinations around the world. Let's be challenged in our global knowledge and have the chance to win great prizes!

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#### **Social Creed - An Evening Mass**

Where: St Jakob Church, Parkgatan 4

When: Wednesday 14th of August, 21.15-22.15

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Tomas is of course present during the mass, as are the choir and musicians led by Andreas Nordanstig. Also participating are Cissi Glittvik and Henrik Fransson from the local congregation in Gothenburg. See Youtube link for taster: <https://youtu.be/MZ8q-duq5ks>

## THURSDAY 15 AUGUST

### **Late night Mass Service: “Here is a place waiting for you!”**

Where: Betlehems kyrkan, Erik Dahlbergsgatan 11 b, Church hall

When: Thursday 15th of August 21.15-22.15

Language: Swedish

Britta Hermansson, pastor and evangelist Uniting Church in Sweden, Marcus and Åsa Barck-Sigvardsson musicians from Betlehems kyrkan, Gothenburg.

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## **Pilgrimage in the footsteps of Saint Colombus and the Celtic monks**

Where: Tabernaklet Church, Götabergsgatan 4

When: Thursday 15th of August 21.15-22.15

Language: English

An entertaining evening based around pilgrimage in the footsteps of Saint Colombus and the Celtic monks and their evangelism in the 8th century. Fascinating stories, humour, Live music, and songs that challenge and inspire us for Gods mission today. Barry Sloane, evangelist, songwriter, and author.

## **FRIDAY 16 AUGUST**

### **Finding one's place on earth**

Where: Betlehems kyrkan, Erik Dahlbergsgatan 11 b, Church hall

When: Friday, 16 th of August 21.15-22.15

Language: Swedish

An evening where Robert Eriksson, pastor in Betlehems kyrkan Gothenburg and the Swedish runner/author Markus Torgeby share their thoughts and experiences based on Roberts newly published books; "Find home - about the longing for God and your true self" as well as Marcus newly published book "A

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place on earth - about building a cabin and creating a life." The program is framed by song and music by the artist and composer Jennie Abrahamsson, Gothenburg. She has a magical voice and writes songs that are like their own little universes.

#### **From the scattered pieces**

Where: S:t Jakob Church, Parkgatan 4

When: Friday, 16 th of August 21.15-22.15

Language: English and Swedish

*"It is a Saturday, September 8, 2012. I stand in my kitchen, baking. In the span of only a few seconds, I plunge into a black hole that, at that moment, seems to have no bottom."* During an hour we will meet Johanna Bjurenstedt along with her musicians. She will take us on a journey where what appears to be an end becomes the start of something new. Where the face of Jesus begins to emerge amidst the scattered pieces. Johanna is a singer-songwriter and pastor in the Uniting Church in Sweden.

#### **Songs from the pastures of Duvemåla**

Where: The Cathedral in Gothenburg, Kyrkogatan 28

When: Friday, 16 th of August 21.15-22.15

Language: English

A late summer night concert with a sextet from the Gothenburg Opera house offers a program with touching and strong songs and stories from, among others, the Swedish Musical Duvemåla (a musical story about refugees and homesickness in words and tones), Chess, ABBA, and Benny Andersson Orchestra.

#### **Music Quiz Night for young adults**

Where: Johanneberg Church, Walleriusgatan 1

When: Friday, 16 th of August 21.15-22.15

Language: English

Music Quiz night for young adults. Let's get together and make new friends, listen to live music and have a chance to win good prizes!