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2010 Annual Conference Event  
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**FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE ~ 2010 FLORIDA ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
HOUSING/MEALS RESERVATION CARD – PLEASE PRINT**

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May 24, 2010

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Male \_\_\_\_\_

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Couple \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE SELECT ACCOMMODATIONS NEEDED**

Room only for ONE ADULT @	\$90.00 _____	Room only for TWO ADULTS @	\$180.00 _____
Room and Meals for ONE ADULT @	\$137.50 _____	Room and Meals for TWO ADULTS @	\$275.00 _____
Meals only for ONE @	\$ 47.50 _____	Meals only for TWO @	\$95.00 _____

Requesting complimentary housing (check one):  Applying for Probationary Membership  Retired FL Conference Clergy

Make checks payable to *Florida Southern College*. Return form and payment to:  
Office of Church Relations, Florida Southern College, 111 Lake Hollingsworth Dr., Lakeland, FL 33801

RESERVATION DEADLINE – MONDAY, MAY 24, 2010

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March 2010

Greetings, 2010 Annual Conference Lay and Clergy Members!

This information is being sent to all clergy and lay members of the 2010 "Eradicating Extreme Poverty" Florida Annual Conference, which will convene on Thursday, June 10, at The Lakeland Center, 701 West Lime Street, Lakeland, FL 33815.

Enclosed you will find:

- Hotel listing of Lakeland area hotels, including special rates for attendees;
- Schedule of events for 2010 Annual Conference sessions and pre-conference workshops;
- Letter from Florida Southern College regarding campus housing and meal ticket information with reservation form (deadline May 24);
- Youth schedule and information, including youth campus housing registration form (deadline May 24);
- Dates and locations for district orientations;
- Information about the health fair and pre-conference workshops;
- Information about the 2010 Annual Conference Offering.

Be sure to mention the Florida United Methodist Annual Conference Event when making your hotel reservation to get the special rates. Please note that the cut-off date for published hotel rates is May 14. This is the date that the hotel may release any rooms not already booked and the special rate will expire. We recommend that you make your reservation early since each hotel has set aside a certain number of rooms at this special rate.

Florida Southern College will be our host for campus housing for youth and adults. In addition to campus housing, FSC will be offering meal tickets and food options on campus during annual conference. Annual conference registration and pre-conference workshops begin at 2 p.m. the afternoon of Wednesday, June 9. Check-in for campus housing begins at 3 p.m., June 9. Please refer to the enclosed schedule for more details.

Pre-school child care for annual conference business sessions will be provided by First UMC, Lakeland. Registration information will be available soon on the Conference Web site ([www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org)).

All information contained in this mailing can be found on the Conference Web site ([www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org)). Click on the link "2010 FLORIDA ANNUAL CONFERENCE EVENT." Check back often for updates. If you have any questions, please e-mail [ACQuestions@flumc.org](mailto:ACQuestions@flumc.org) or call 800-282-8011.

**IMPORTANT NOTE TO LOCAL CHURCH LAY MEMBERS:** Your annual conference Workbook, which contains all the reports and items that will be voted on at annual conference, **will be mailed to your church.** It will be the responsibility of your local church to make sure you receive your Workbook. These will be mailed sometime mid to late April.

Marilyn Swanson  
Annual Conference Event Coordinator

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The Florida Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church  
1140 McDonald Street, Lakeland, FL 33801 1-800-282-8011  
[www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org)  
[ACQuestions@flumc.org](mailto:ACQuestions@flumc.org)



## 2010 Florida United Methodist Conference June 9-12, 2010

The following Chamber hotels-motels have offered special rates for the participants of the 2010 Florida Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church.

Please contact the properties directly for reservations and identify yourself as being with the 2010 FL United Methodist Conference. The cut-off date for the rates listed below is Friday, May 14, 2010; however, some may still honor the rate depending on their room availability. *Note: Room rates do not include taxes.*

Property	Phone	# Rms	Single	Double	X Person
Hyatt Place- Lakeland Center, 525 West Orange Street Conf. Code for <a href="http://www.hyattplacelakelandcenter.com">www.hyattplacelakelandcenter.com</a> is "G-UM10" ~ Free Internet, parking and breakfast	863-413-1122 888-492-8847		\$119.00	\$119.00	\$10.00
Comfort Inn & Suites, 3520 US Highway 98 North	863-859-0100				
Country Inn & Suites, 4500 Lakeland Park Drive <a href="http://www.countryinns.com-lakelandfl">www.countryinns.com-lakelandfl</a>	863-595-4500	50	\$85.99	\$85.99	\$10.00
Courtyard by Marriott, 3725 Harden Boulevard <a href="http://www.marriott.com-tpalk">www.marriott.com-tpalk</a>	863-802-9000	25	\$139King	\$129 Dbl/DbI	
Crestwood Inns & Suites, 4360 Lakeland Park Drive <a href="http://www.crestwoodsuites.com">www.crestwoodsuites.com</a>	863-904-2050	20	\$79.99	\$79.99	Flat Rate
Days Inn & Suites, 4502 N. Socrum Loop Rd.	863-683-5095				
Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott 4307 Sterling Commerce Dr., Plant City, FL <a href="http://www.marriott.com-TPAPC">www.marriott.com-TPAPC</a>	863-757-6202	40	\$69.00	\$69.00	Flat Rate
Hampton Inn, 4420 North Socrum Loop Road	863-816-2525				
Hilton Garden Inn, 3839 Don Emerson Drive <a href="http://www.lakeland.stayhgi.com">www.lakeland.stayhgi.com</a>	863-647-0066	25	\$99.00	\$99.00	\$10.00
Holiday Inn Lakeland, 3260 US Highway 98 North <a href="http://www.holidayinn.com-lakelandfl">www.holidayinn.com-lakelandfl</a>	863-688-8080	100	\$65.00	\$65.00	Flat Rate
Holiday Inn South, 3405 South Florida Avenue <a href="http://www.holiday-inn.com-lakeland-south">www.holiday-inn.com-lakeland-south</a>	863-646-5731	75	\$89.00	\$89.00	Flat Rate
Howard Johnsons, 3311 US Hwy. 98 North	863-688-7972				
Imperial Swan Hotel & Suites, 4141 South Florida Avenue <a href="http://www.imperialswanhotel.com">www.imperialswanhotel.com</a>	863-647-3000	25	\$69.99	\$69.99	
Jameson Inn, 4375 Lakeland Park Drive <a href="http://www.jamesoninns.com">www.jamesoninns.com</a>	863-858-9070	30	\$69.99	\$69.99	Flat Rate
Lake Morton Bed & Breakfast, 817 South Boulevard	863-688-6788				
Lake Wire Inn, 244 N. Florida Ave.	863-687-2530				
LeMans Apartments & Suites, 1501 Shepherd Road 1 bdrm apt. w/ washer/dryer, whirlpool tub \$59.99/night + tax 2 bed/2bedroom apt with same - \$82.00/night + tax <a href="http://www.lemanssuites.com">www.lemanssuites.com</a> ~ 3 nights minimum stay	863-647-2929 800-647-7929				
Ramada Inn, 4620 Socrum Loop Rd. <a href="http://www.ramada.com">www.ramada.com</a>	863-577-0977	60	\$59.00	\$69.00	
Residence Inn by Marriott, 3701 Harden Boulevard <a href="http://www.marriott.com-tpald">www.marriott.com-tpald</a>	863-680-2323	50	\$124.00	\$134.00	2 Bd Ste \$194.00
Sanlan Ranch Campground, 3929 US Highway 98 South (campsites)—Electric-Water-Sewer-Cable-Wi-Fi-Patios	863-665-1726		Standard \$23	Premium \$26.00	\$3.00
Shaw House Bed & Breakfast, 605 E. Orange St.	863-687-7120				
Sleep Inn & Suites, 4321 Lakeland Park Drive <a href="http://www.choicehotels.com-hotel-fl728">www.choicehotels.com-hotel-fl728</a>	863-577-1170	20	\$55.99	\$55.99	
Suburban Lodge, 4335 Williamstown Road	863-816-1700				
Terrace Hotel, 329 E Main Street <a href="http://www.terracehotel.com">www.terracehotel.com</a>	863-603-5408	50	\$109.00	\$109.00	Flat Rate
Value Place, 4000 North Florida Avenue	863-284-5760				

**Please contact properties with no rates listed for availability and current rates.**



## 2010 Florida Annual Conference Schedule\*

\*Tentative Schedule – Subject to Change

### Wednesday, June 9

- 2:00pm Registration Begins
- Ministry Expo Opens and Health Fair Opens
- Pre-Conference Workshops: Session 1
- 3:00pm Campus housing check-in opens (Florida Southern College)
- 4:00pm Pre-Conference Workshops: Session 2
- 6:00pm Health Fair Closes
- 7:00pm Pre-Conference Workshops: Session 3
- Registration and Expo Closes

### Thursday, June 10

- 7:30am Early Morning Communion (Prayer Garden)
- 8:00am Registration Opens
- Ministry Expo and Health Fair Opens
- 8:45am Laity Session (Arena)
- 9:00am Clergy Session (Youkey Theater)
- 11:00am Memorial Service (Arena)
- 12:00noon Lunch Break
- 2:00pm Opening Our Conference
- 5:00pm Dinner Break
- Health Fair Closes
- 7:00pm Service of Holy Communion
- Registration Closes
- Expo Closes

### Friday, June 11

- 7:30am Early Morning Communion (Prayer Garden)
- 8:00am Expo Opens
- 8:30am Bible Study
- 9:00am Morning Session
- 10:00am Registration Opens
- 12:00noon Lunch Break
- 2:00pm Afternoon Session
- 3:00pm Expo Closes
- Registration Closes
- 5:00pm Dinner Break
- 7:00pm Service of Licensing, Commissioning, Ordination

### Saturday, June 12

- 7:30am Early Morning Communion (Prayer Garden)
- 8:30am Bible Study
- 9:00am Morning Session
- Leaving a Legacy (retiring clergy and anniversary churches)
- 12:15pm Concluding Our Conference
- 12:30pm Anticipated Final Adjournment

# YOUTH HOUSING & INFORMATION

Dear Annual Conference Youth Member,

Hello! My name is Kelly Minter, and I am the Coordinator for the Network of Ministries with Young People in the Florida Conference. Perhaps more importantly to you I am the one coordinating the youth delegation for Annual Conference. Thank you so much for being willing to put aside some time this summer to be a part of Annual Conference 2010. One of the things I love about being part of The United Methodist Church is the fact that everyone, once they join, has equal say in the business of our church! Since you are attending the Annual Conference and will be speaking for and representing the thousands of youth that our conference ministers with, it is vitally important that we hear YOUR voice at this gathering.

The youth members to Annual Conference are required this year to sleep and take their meals ON CAMPUS at Florida Southern, the cost of which is \$99 for the lodging and all meals excluding lunch. We are asking youth members to arrive on Wednesday, June 9 by 3:00 pm for campus check-in at the dorms. Youth members will not be allowed to leave campus (unless on an official youth delegation outing!) until the event is over. We are also asking that youth who drive to Annual Conference leave their car parked throughout the AC 2010 event. This is for your protection and for your enjoyment! The way to get the most out of this experience is to devote completely to it! No worries, though, we will be having fun throughout the whole event!

On the backside of this letter you will find a housing form that will allow you to register for your housing and meals during Annual Conference. You can also register and pay online at [www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org). After you are registered, I will be sending out a letter with a medical release form and a checklist of items that need to be completed before attending Annual Conference. It is important that you fill out ALL necessary paperwork and bring all documents to Florida Southern's Campus in June. Without all of the proper paperwork you will not be allowed to check in, and we will be giving no refunds.

One last thing: If at any time you lose your paperwork, you can find it at [www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org). Just click on the ANNUAL CONFERENCE tab on the right and then the YOUTH INFORMATION tab. If, at any time, you or your parents have questions you can feel free to contact me by email ([kelly.minter@flumc.org](mailto:kelly.minter@flumc.org)) or by phone (407) 694-2167. I look forward to seeing you this year!!

Blessings,

Kelly Minter  
Coordinator for the Network of Ministries with Young People

## Youth Schedule for Annual Conference (tentative, subject to change)

### Wednesday, June 10

3:00 pm	Campus check-in, Florida Southern College
4:00pm	Youth Orientation
5:00 pm	Dinner in Herbert E Wolfe Building
6:30pm	Youth Orientation Continues
8:00 pm	Movie, Wii, Games, Discussions

### Thursday, June 11

6:30 am	Breakfast opens in Herbert E Wolfe building
8:00 am	Shuttle leaves for Lakeland Center
8:45 am-5pm	Laity Session, Lakeland Center, Arena
11:00 am	AC Registration, Lakeland Center, Sikes Hall
Noon – 5pm	Lunch, plenary session
5:00 - 10:00 pm	Shuttle return, dinner, and evening activity

### Friday, June 12

6:30 am	Breakfast opens in Herbert E Wolfe building
8:15am	Shuttle leaves for Lakeland Center
9:00 am- 5pm	Plenary Sessions, lunch break, plenary sessions
5:00 - 10:00 pm	Dinner and game night

### Saturday, June 13

7:30 am	Breakfast in Herbert E Wolfe building
8:15am	Shuttle leaves for Lakeland Center
9:00 am	Plenary Session
1:00 pm	Scheduled adjournment

- ✓ More information regarding the Youth Delegation will be released by Kelly Minter as it becomes available.
- ✓ Check back often to the Conference Web-site at <http://www.flumc.org>. Click on the ANNUAL CONFERENCE tab and then the YOUTH INFORMATION tab.
- ✓ Please direct specific questions related to the Youth Delegation to Kelly at [kminter@flumc.org](mailto:kminter@flumc.org).
- ✓ If you are interested in becoming a Youth Chaperone at the 2010 Florida Annual Conference, please contact Kelly Minter at [kelly.minter@flumc.org](mailto:kelly.minter@flumc.org) or by phone (407-694-2167).

# YOUTH HOUSING REGISTRATION FORM

Every youth member to Annual Conference 2010 must reside on Florida Southern's campus, and take their breakfast and dinner there. The youth price of \$99 reflects your combined price for housing and a meal plan beginning with Wednesday dinner. **It does not include lunch. Please bring money for your lunch.** This applies to youth (up to and including age 17) and the most recent graduates (members of graduating class of 2010 who are also 18 years old). Please fill out the information below and mail it to the address at the bottom of the page.

**You can also register on-line by going to: [www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org), click on the "2010 Annual Conference" button on the right and then "Youth Housing Registration" link.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Disability \_\_\_\_\_

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Please check one. Registrant type:

- AC Youth voting member
- AC Youth observer
- AC Chaperone (pending background check and approval)

**Youth Housing  
registration deadline:  
May 24, 2010.**

Please check one. As of June 9, 2010 (chaperones, please leave blank):

- I am 17 years of age or younger.
- I am 18 years old and still in high school.
- I am 18 years old and have graduated high school.

**Combined price for housing and meals (including Wednesday dinner) EXCEPT FOR LUNCHES: \$99**

Make checks payable to: **FLORIDA CONFERENCE TREASURER**. Mail this form and a check for \$99 to:

Florida Annual Conference 2010  
Attn: Emily Oliver, Annual Conference Youth Housing  
1140 McDonald St  
Lakeland, FL 33801

**Or register on-line by going to: [www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org), click on the "2010 Annual Conference" button on the right and then the "Youth Housing Registration" link.**

NOTICE TO ADULTS: If you are interested in becoming a Youth Chaperone at the 2010 Florida Annual Conference, please contact Kelly Minter at ([kelly.minter@flumc.org](mailto:kelly.minter@flumc.org)) or by phone (407-694-2167).



**CAMPUS HOUSING RESERVATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, MAY 24, 2010**

March 2010

Dear 2010 Florida Annual Conference Participant:

The 2010 Florida Annual Conference Event of The United Methodist Church will convene on Thursday, June 10, in Lakeland, Florida, with pre-conference activities and registration beginning on Wednesday, June 9. The Office of Church Relations at Florida Southern College will coordinate campus housing. To make your stay at Florida Southern College as comfortable as possible, please read this letter carefully and follow the procedures.

**IMPORTANT:** The Office of Church Relations coordinates only campus housing and campus meals. All other information or materials should be obtained from the Florida United Methodist Conference Center at (863) 688-5563 or (800) 282-8011. Information about the conference event, including campus housing, can also be found on the conference Web site at <http://www.flumc.org>, under the link 2010 ANNUAL CONFERENCE EVENT or by e-mailing [ACQuestions@flumc.org](mailto:ACQuestions@flumc.org).

Enclosed with this letter is your reservation card for campus housing and meals. This card must be returned with full payment in order for a room assignment and meal ticket reservation to be made. Rooms will be assigned in the order that the reservation cards are received in this office. Reservations will not be accepted over the telephone. Meal tickets and keys will be issued at the time of registration. Hours of registration: 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 9; and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 10. Residence halls will close at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 19.

**LODGING** - The room fee for housing is \$90.00 per person. There are a very limited number of rooms available to accommodate physical disabilities, especially wheelchair accessibility. These rooms will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please note the "physical disability" section on your reservation card and describe on the back any limiting conditions you may have. It is important to remember that there are steps leading to most of the available rooms.

Complimentary housing is available for retired ministers of the Florida Conference receiving pension and for pastors applying for probationary membership. Please clearly mark the reservation card to ensure that you receive this benefit if it applies to you. (Meal tickets are not complimentary and may be purchased if desired.) If you find after making the reservation you are unable to attend, please call the Office of Church Relations (863-680-4297) to cancel. Otherwise, the Florida Conference Office will be billed for your room.

If your spouse is attending, please include his/her name with yours on the top line of the reservation card. Unfortunately, all married housing rooms do require some steps, even first-floor rooms; please be aware of this when making your reservations.

Rooms in the other residence halls are double occupancy. If you do not list a roommate, one will be assigned to you. To request a specific roommate, **both parties must indicate each other** on the reservation card. Limited requests for private rooms will be accepted with payment for two people.

**Youth and youth chaperone housing and meal reservations must be made using the separate Youth Registration Form (see yellow insert in this mailing).**

Reservations for children are not possible. Residence halls are not equipped for their safety. All rooms are non-smoking areas. Pets are not permitted on campus.

**YOU WILL NEED TO SUPPLY YOUR OWN TOWELS, PILLOWS, SHEETS, AND BLANKETS. MATTRESSES MEASURE TWIN-EXTRA LONG. REGULAR TWIN SHEETS WILL NOT FIT.**

**MEAL PLAN** - Meals will be served in the FSC cafeteria beginning with dinner on Wednesday, June 9, and ending with breakfast on Saturday, June 12. A meal ticket may be purchased for \$47.50 per person, which includes breakfast and dinner – no lunch. (Lunch options will be available on-site at the Lakeland Center.) Campus meal tickets are nontransferable, one meal per meal period. Sorry, no exceptions. Payment must be returned with the reservation card. Individual meals may be purchased at the door: \$5.95 (plus tax) for breakfast and \$8.80 (plus tax) for dinner. All meals are served in the cafeteria.

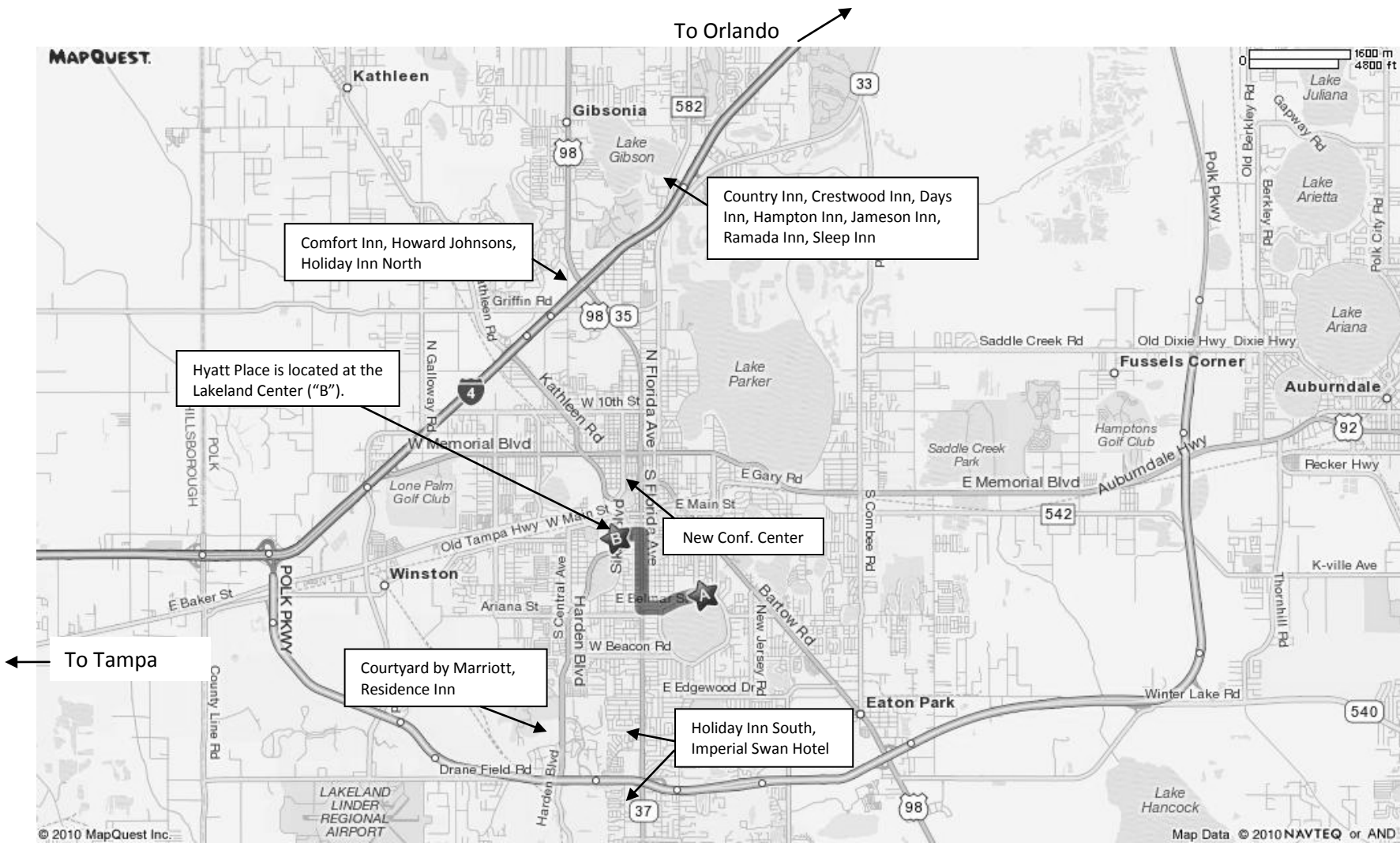
A confirmation letter will be sent promptly to you upon receiving your reservation card and full payment. RESERVATION DEADLINE: Monday, May 24, 2010.

Florida Southern College is glad to serve the Florida Annual Conference by coordinating and making these services available to you. If you have any questions, please call the Office of Church Relations at (863) 680-4297 or send me an email (mccrawford@flsouthern.edu).

Sincerely,

Mike Crawford  
Director of Church Relations

<b>Registration Times:</b>	<b>Wed., June 9</b>	<b>3:00pm – 7:00pm</b>
	<b>Thurs., June 10</b>	<b>8:00am – 5:00pm</b>
<b>Office Hours:</b>	<b>Wed., June 9</b>	<b>1:00pm – 5:00pm</b>
	<b>Thurs., June 10</b>	<b>8:00am – 5:00pm</b>
	<b>Fri., June 11</b>	<b>9:00am – 3:00pm</b>
<b>Campus Cafeteria Hours</b>		
<b>Breakfast 6:30 – 8:30am</b>		
<b>Dinner 4:30 – 6:30pm</b>		
<b>Residence Halls close Saturday at 3:00 pm</b>		
<b>Reminder: Bring your own linens -- towels, sheets, pillows, and blankets.</b>		
<b>Mattresses measure TWIN, EXTRA LONG.</b>		
<b>Lodging: \$90.00 pp/adults (3 nights)</b>		
<b>Meal ticket: \$47.50 pp (3 breakfasts and 3 dinners)</b>		
<b>RESERVATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, MAY 24, 2010</b>		
<b>Registration form can be found on page 1 of this mailing.</b>		



Map of Lakeland, FL

**Points of Interest**

- “A” - Florida Southern College, 111 Lake Hollingsworth Dr., Lakeland, FL 33801.
  - “B” - Lakeland Center, 701 West Lemon St., Lakeland, FL 33815
- Major hotel chains and their general locations are indicated.

## WEDNESDAY\* AFTERNOON / EVENING PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

\*2:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm

Below is a quick summary of the workshops being offered Wednesday afternoon, June 9. Additional information will be shared as it becomes available. Check the Conference Web site often for updates ([www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org)).

- Covenants/Haiti/UMCOR/UMVIM (2:00 and 4:00pm)
- Cultivating a Culture of Peacemaking (7:00pm)
- Discipleship by Design (2:00 and 4:00pm)
- Film Festival: Local & International Poverty (7:00pm)
- Hispanic Class (7:00pm)
- Making Prayer a Priority (2:00 and 4:00pm)
- Salty Service Survey: International (2:00 and 4:00pm)
- Salty Service Survey: Local (2:00 and 4:00pm)
- Transforming Leadership (2:00 and 4:00pm)

## SAVE THE DATE - 2010 DISTRICT ORIENTATIONS

District	Date, Location and Time
Atlantic Central	Sunday, May 16, Emmanuel UMC, Melbourne, 4:00 pm Sunday, May 23, Trinity UMC, Palm Beach Gardens, 4:00 pm
East Central	Tuesday, May 4 College Park UMC, Orlando, 6:30 pm Thursday, May 6, Tomoka UMC (Bleekman Hall), 6:30 pm
Gulf Central	Sunday, May 23, East Lake UMC, Palm Harbor, 3:00 pm
North Central	Tuesday, May 11 St. Mark's UMC, Ocala, 6:00 pm
North East	Thursday, May 27 Orange Park UMC, 6:30 pm
North West	To be determined
South Central	Thursday, May 6, St. John's UMC, Winter Haven, 6:30 pm Sunday, May 16, Lake Magdalene UMC, Tampa, 3:00 pm
South East	Sunday, May 16, Christ Church Ft. Lauderdale (Broward County), 3:00 pm Sunday, May 23 First UMC, Coral Gables (Dade County), 3:00 pm Translation will be provided.
South West	Sunday, May 16, Estero UMC, 2:00 pm Sunday, May 16, Trinity UMC, Arcadia, 5:00 pm Sunday, May 23, First UMC, Sebring, 3:00 pm

## HEALTH FAIR

The Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits is sponsoring a Health Fair during annual conference. The fair offers free health screenings, chair massage and lots of health and wellness information. We encourage you to visit the health fair and take advantage of this convenient opportunity to review your health status and learn about tools and resources available to you and your family. The event will be held in the Exhibit Hall, Booth 315, on Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. and Thursday, June 10, from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE OFFERING

*(Below are excerpts from Bishop Whitaker's letter mailed March 4, 2010 to clergy and lay members and local churches. You can also find the letter in its entirety on the Conference Web site at [www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org).)*

This year, our special offering will go towards relief efforts for The Methodist Church in Haiti, and The Florida Partnership to End Childhood Hunger as organized by Florida Impact. Every congregation is encouraged to participate in the offering and to bring the offering (in the form of a check, made payable to the Florida Conference Treasurer) with them to the 2010 Annual Conference Event.

- Eighty percent of this year's offering will go to The Methodist Church in Haiti. The connectionalism of The United Methodist Church allowed members to donate to UMCOR immediately, knowing that all of their donations would go directly to those in need. In addition, we would like to offer help to The Methodist Church in Haiti with whom the Florida Conference has a covenant as they seek to rebuild lives and churches through Advance #100190. (For more information, visit <http://www.flumc2.org/page.asp?PKValue=1677>.)
- Twenty percent of the offering will go towards Florida Impact for the Partnership to End Childhood Hunger. The Florida Partnership to End Childhood Hunger is committed to working collaboratively with more than 50 organizations, including the Florida Conference, to make Florida the first state in the nation to end childhood hunger. (For more information, visit <http://flimpact.org/partnership/documents/2008/2008-TenPointPlan-Full.pdf>.)