



Charismatic Episcopal Church Of North America

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Church Development Conference

March 8-9

Orlando, Florida

Dear Brothers,

I am writing this on the fifth day of Christmas. It is raining and very cold outside. Today most of the Northeast (we will miss it) will be hit with a major snow storm. So my heart turns to Orlando and a gathering of all the North American Bishops and clergy for a two day summit or conference on Church Development.

This conference will be different from any other Church Growth or Church Development Conference you will ever attend. It is not going to involve an outside speaker or expert. There are plenty of CD's, podcasts, evangelical conferences, and video series on church growth and development. This is not going to be a member of our communion (including me) getting up and offering a program or teaching. You are going to be the Church Growth and Development program. You are going to be the speakers and teachers.

God has anointed the Charismatic Episcopal Church and has given us a mission. We are roughly 2,500 churches worldwide. Most of those churches are in Africa, followed by Brazil, then Asia. Then there's North America. America is roughly 80 parishes and only six or seven have memberships of over 100. The majority of the churches have fewer than 50 members. We are roughly 2,000 members in the United States. We are small, we few, we happy few.

I believe God wants to add to our numbers. I believe because I believe God has told us He wants to add to our numbers.

All of the Bishops have agreed to come to Orlando and have their Primate's Council meeting on March 7th. Then on March 8-9, they will all join us for a meeting that will be open to all clergy who are ready to hear from the Lord about how He wants to build His Church in North America.

I want to invite you to take part in this historic meeting and time of prayer, ministry, praise and worship.

This is not a meeting that concerns only your church or diocese, this is a historic meeting to build our entire communion. As Bishops and Presbyters in the Charismatic Episcopal Church in North America, we will hear the voice of the Lord and set the direction for the next decade.

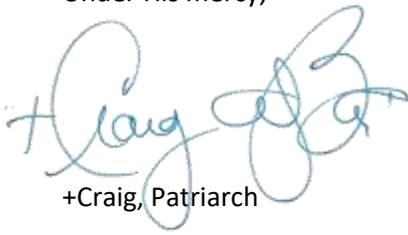
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Deacon John Garrett will be sending out information regarding rooms, transportation, and meet-ing places and times But now you can put it in your calendar; I urge you to come.

Have a blessed and holy New Year.

Under His mercy,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Craig", with a large, stylized initial "C" that loops around the end of the name.

+Craig, Patriarch