

## **Faith Forum -DECEMBER CONVENTION EDITION**

**CONVENTION THEME: "A CHANGE HAS COME.....KEEP THE FAITH" LUKE 8:25**

- **Conference Dates: December 15-18 at Hyatt Regency Atlanta**
- **October 30: Deadline for ads. The book goes to print on November 7. All ads must be paid for by that date.**
- **Pastors, please don't forget the commitment you made regarding ads at the Pastor's Retreat.**
- **November 12: Early registration & One Stop/General Registration Deadline. All attendees are asked to register for the convention (\$20.00 per member).**
- **The National website is loaded with all kinds of information and resources like forms, etc. for the convention. Check it out! If you don't see something you need contact the National Office (904)779-5469.**
- **Members can make hotel reservations from the national website (cogbf.org) using the link to the Hyatt or call the hotel directly at 404-577-1234.**
- **Guest room rates are: \$79.00 for single, double, triple & quadruple occupancy.**
- **A deposit in the amount of the first night for each of the confirmed reserved rooms will be due 14 days after the room is confirmed by the Hotel. Personal checks, money orders or a valid American Express, Diners Club, Discover Card, Visa or MasterCard number and expiration date will be needed for the deposit.**
- **For Crown or Deluxe Panorama Suite reservations, contact Jo Davis at 727-430-5003.**

- **The cut-off date for reservations is November 26. Members should remember that “cut-off date” now means “cut-off date”. Properties are charging the regular rate after the cut-off date so make reservations early. We want members to attend and afford the room rate. If you wait until the last moment and miss the cut-off you might decide to stay home because of the increase in the room rate. We don’t want to happen.**
  
- **In the event you can’t attend, please make sure you cancel early enough to get your deposit returned.**
  
- **Pastors, remember year-end financial reports are due in December. See your Finance Committee Rep or follow instructions set forth by your perspective District Superintendent. Financial report forms are available on-line or at the National Office.**
  
- **Pastors don’t forget your church assessments (membership, free will and ruling elder’s offerings). These reports are to be made at the convention if you don’t turn them in to your district representative.**