How Do I Reserve A Date To Host The Conference?



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It's easy to bring a Strong In Spirit Conference to your church. Here are the steps for you to consider once you've decided to schedule a Conference...

- 1. Contact Pastor Bruce Koester at (423) 201-9552 to find a mutually acceptable time. The Conference is 6.5 hours long (*excluding* breaks and lunch) and so it can be done in any of the following ways.
 - a. It can be presented on two consecutive evenings from 6:00 to 9:30 pm.
 - b. It can be presented on a Friday night (6:00 to 9:30 pm) and a Saturday morning (9:00 am to 1:00 pm, without lunch).
 - c. It can be presented in a single day, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (including an hour for lunch and a few breaks).
 - d. It can also be presented 'all day' on a Sunday following worship, though that would be a long day.
- 2. Any lunch or refreshments served at the Conference and any promotional costs for it are the responsibility of the host church. In addition, all transportation costs for Pastor Koester (reimbursement for gas or purchase of a plane ticket from Knoxville, Tennessee) and lodging/food costs (inexpensive motel or appropriate home are fine) are also costs the host church would be responsible for.
- 3. Cost to attend the Conference is \$20 per person or \$30 per family, payable to Strong In Spirit Ministries. No additional free will offering will be taken. These costs to individuals are minimal and should be easily accessible to virtually everyone. However, congregations are encouraged to consider setting aside a small 'Scholarship Fund' to pay for those who want to come but can't afford it. A small investment from the church into people's lives will likely pay hundreds of percentage points in return both spiritually and otherwise!
- 4. People from nearby Christian churches are encouraged to attend as well, as the Strong In Spirit Conference is pan-denominational and won't 'bump into' any church's theological distinctives. Teens who have a living relationship with Christ they are serious about pursuing are also encouraged to attend.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to call me at (423) 201-9552, or email at bk@stronginspirit.com or stronginspirit01@yahoo.com.

ALL God's best to you as we partner together to help grow your people Stronger In Spirit for the glory of God!

Pastor Bruce Koester

Strong In Spirit Conference Covenant Agreement



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Representing the leadership of _____

_church in

___, we covenant with Pastor Bruce Koester

and Strong In Spirit Ministries to agree to the following provisions...

- We will host this Conference at our church on _______
- We will attempt to get the word out about this Conference as best we can and encourage all our members and friends to attend this Conference for their growth and further development in Christ. We also commit our church to intercede for the success of the Strong In Spirit Conference prior to the event.
- We agree to pay for Pastor Koester's travel to our church, his room and board accommodations while he is here and promptly issue a check to Strong In Spirit Ministries following the Conference in the amount of \$20 times each attendee (\$30 for each family full-time paid church staff and families are free).
- We agree to print and distribute the Strong In Spirit Conference Handout for people to take notes on.
- We agree to provide refreshments at morning and afternoon break times during the Conference and consider whether or not to provide a lunch.
- We understand that the Conference will begin at 9:00 a.m. (sharp) and end on or before 5:00 p.m. if it is held on a Saturday.
- + We covenant together and mutually each agree to these provisions in Jesus' Name...

Hosting Info For The Strong In Spirit Conference



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Additional Information & Details...

- All full-time church staff, both from the host church and neighboring churches (and their families) are invited to attend the Conference for free.
- Please have the Strong In Spirit Conference Handout copied off and ready to hand out at the beginning of the Conference. *However, please do not hand it out until I ask for it to be distributed at the beginning of the Conference.*
- Please have ready a stand or podium to place a laptop computer on, as well as an extension cord to power the computer. It is important whatever stand is used that it be strong enough (i.e., a choir music stand may not be) to be able to hold a laptop without being pushed down or 'shrinking' under its weight.
- If possible, set up an overhead projector and a screen (or wall) to project Scripture verses up on it during the Conference.
- + If possible, consider making child-care available for younger families who might need it to be able to attend.
- Due to the short 1 hour lunch break, it might work out best to serve a light lunch or potluck at the church instead of have people eat 'outside' and have to run to make it back in time. This is recommended but optional at your discretion, and of course people are free to do whatever they want to do for lunch.
- + Please make available some light snacks and coffee, etc. for both the morning and afternoon breaks.
- Please make sure the P.A. system (if used) is up and running and the microphone has a brand new battery in it with a new backup battery available if necessary.
- + A lapel mike is much preferable to a hand-held mike for the Conference presentation if possible.