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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN-DEPTH BIBLE SEMINAR

MAY 27—JUNE 3, 2020

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI



REGISTRATION

The cost per student is \$150 includes classes and materials.

All other costs –travel, meals and lodging—are provided by ISM, Inc. through gifts received from supporting individuals and congregations.

Fill out and send the attached registration form and fees. **You must have a signature from an ISM reference.**

Questions? Call Paul at 979-777-1138 or email him at jpaa14@gmail.com.

This information is also available on our website at www.isminc.org/conferences.

THE IMPACT OF THE IN-DEPTH BIBLE SEMINAR

The In-Depth Bible Seminar makes an eternal difference in the lives of students from all over the world. It reveals the truth of God's Word to those who are seeking to know Jesus, and it strengthens the faith of those who are already believers.

The week-long event is designed to provide leadership skills for international students in order that they might:

- Better understand the basic teachings of the Christian faith
- Gain skill and confidence in sharing the faith with non-Christians
- Develop more fully in their personal faith
- Grow as leaders of small groups

THIS YEAR'S EVENT

ISM, Inc. is hosting its annual **In-Depth Bible Seminar** for international students May 27—June 3, 2020 at the Pallottine Renewal Center in St. Louis, Missouri. The seminar is a week-long training for Christians and those that seek more in-depth information about Jesus and the Christian faith.

The seminar includes a salvation history overview, Catechism lessons, preparing and sharing personal testimony, and facilitating a small-group ministry.

Students will tour the International Center in Kirkwood and meet Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison, president of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). Participate in a home stay in Frohan, MO. and visit the iconic St. Louis arch.

REGISTRATION

In-Depth Bible Seminar for International Students

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY or FILL IN THE FIELDS in the PDF FORM

Name:	
Address:	Street City State Zip
E-mail Address:	
Telephone with area code:	Best time to reach you:
Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Age:	Country of Origin:
Dietary Restrictions:	
How do you plan to travel?	Car <input type="checkbox"/> Train <input type="checkbox"/> Bus <input type="checkbox"/> Plane <input type="checkbox"/> From which city?
Name of campus ministry:	How long have you been associated with this ministry?
Are you Christian? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, when were you baptized?
How long have you been studying the Christian faith?	
Name of University:	Major:
<input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate <input type="checkbox"/> Scholar <input type="checkbox"/> other:	
Why do you want to come to this Bible Seminar, and what do you hope to learn? (If necessary, use another sheet.)	
FOR CAMPUS MINISTRY STAFF PERSON	
I recommend that the above named person be accepted for the In-Depth Bible Seminar for the following reasons:	
Signature of campus staff person:	
REGISTRATION FEE: \$150 (TO BE INCLUDED WITH REGISTRATION) All other costs –travel, meals and lodging-are provided by ISM, Inc. through gifts received from supporting individuals and congregations.	
Make check or money order payable to ISM, Inc. Send registration form and check or money order by <u>May 1, 2020</u> to: ISM, Inc., P.O. Box 22, Stevens Point, WI 54481	

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

Texts for the seminar will be provided for each participant.

1. *The Small Catechism* by Dr. Martin Luther (an overview of Christian teaching)
2. *The Bible's Big Story* by Dr. Harry Wendt (Crossways International) covering material from Genesis to Revelation

Additional areas for study will be leading a small-group Bible study, prayer, and giving a testimony. There will be a few assignments given to students during the week, and there will be many opportunities for one-to-one conversation with the instructors about specific questions.

Conference Facility:

Pallottine Renewal Center is located on 83 acres (some wooded) in north St. Louis County, about 15 minutes from the St. Louis Airport. Accommodations include air-conditioned rooms (1 or 2 people per room) with full bathroom, a group meeting room, and dining area all under one roof. The center has walking trails, an indoor swimming pool, and an indoor gymnasium perfect for volleyball, basketball and other recreational activities. For more information about Pallottine Renewal Center, visit PallottineRenewal.org, or call 314-837-7100. **Please note:** We are unable to accommodate children for this conference.

Cost:

1. Registration is \$150 per person and includes travel, lodging and meals. Your campus ministry may be able to help you cover this cost.
2. Transportation: The airfare for each participant will be reimbursed at the seminar upon receipt of a flight invoice listing the exact dollar amount. Tickets must be purchased no later than three weeks prior to the first day of the conference and at a cost less than car travel. Since we are a non-profit organization, we ask that you seek the least expensive way to come to In Depth. Please check with your ISM director for help in making travel arrangements.

2020 In-Depth Bible Seminar Staff:

Rev. Paul Hoemann is pastor at Concordia Lutheran Church, Frohna, Mo. He has 21 years of experience working with international students. Paul will lead the Christian Teaching part of In Depth.

Rev. Richard Mittwede, campus pastor at University Lutheran Chapel in Austin, Texas, will teach Salvation History, an overview of the Bible. Richard has been a pastor for 12 years, the last five at UT-Austin. Before that, he served as a DCE for 16 years.

Our small-groups facilitator this year is **Marcia Mittwede**, international student ministry leader at University Lutheran Chapel in Austin, Texas. She has been an ISM director at several campus ministries over the last 25 years. This will be her third In-Depth Bible Seminar.

Sharon Riordan is the director of ISM St. Louis and serves as the facilitator for the seminar. She comes with a great love of the Lord and excitement for international student ministry.

The In-Depth Bible Seminar is limited to 20 students. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration deadline is May 1, 2020.

STUDENT INFORMATION AFTER ACCEPTANCE TO THE SEMINAR

After we have received your registration and payment, you will be sent confirmation, either by e-mail or letter, that you have been accepted.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS:

When confirmation of acceptance is received, please make necessary travel arrangements, no later than three weeks before the seminar begins (May 6, 2020). Travel expenses will be reimbursed at the conference. Please have the proper documentation and receipts to submit for reimbursement.

The ISM, Inc. board will pay up to \$400 per participant for transportation costs. Should transportation costs exceed \$400, the board will consider assisting with funding. Please seek the most reasonable means of transportation possible. Keep in mind that our financial resources come from individual donors and congregations, so good stewardship is much appreciated!

PLEASE PLAN TO ARRIVE IN ST. LOUIS NO LATER THAN 5 P.M.

FLYING:

1. If you are flying, schedule your flight so that you arrive at St. Louis Lambert Field on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, between 1 and 5 p.m. Please send a copy of your itinerary to Sharon Riordan (ismstlouis@gmail.com) so she can make arrangements to have you picked up at the airport.
2. Upon arrival at the airport, go to the baggage area to pick up your luggage. Then call either Paul Hoemann (979-777-1138) or Sharon Riordan (314-452-6406) and let us know you are ready to be picked up. We will come get you at the airport!
3. If you are flying, you will be taken to the airport on Wednesday, June 3, so that you can catch your return flight. Please arrange your return flight to leave any time after 9:00 a.m. on that Wednesday, if possible.

DRIVING:

1. If the driving mileage is less expensive than the cost of an airline ticket, you will be reimbursed for the mileage (30 cents per mile). If the cost of an airline ticket is less than the mileage amount you submit, you will only be paid for the amount of what the airline ticket would have been. Please use the most economical method of travel.
2. At the conference, you will receive a reimbursement form on which you will record the number of miles driven. You must attach a MapQuest (or similar form) itinerary with the number of miles already calculated. It is assumed that the round trip is double the one-way mileage.

Be sure to bring: Casual clothing, including a jacket/sweatshirt; comfortable walking shoes; swimming suit; toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, hair dryer, etc.); a small flashlight; camera/phone; and a Bible. Sheets, blankets, pillows, washcloths and towels are provided. WIFI is available at Pallottine Renewal Center.

SCHEDULE

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Pallottine Renewal Center in St. Louis, Missouri



Wed. May 27	Thurs, May 28	Fri. May 29	Sat. May 30	Sun. May 31	Mon. June 1	Tues. June 2	Wed. June 3
	8:00 Breakfast Leave for LCMS HQ at 8:45 A.M. 10 A.M. - Chapel Meet and greet with LCMS President Matthew Harrison	8:00 Breakfast 8:45 Prayer & Praise Christian Teaching Salvation History	8:00 Breakfast 8:45 Prayer & Praise "Telling My Story" & time for writing your testimony Salvation History	8:00 Attend Bible class and worship (9:00) at Concordia Lutheran Church in Frohna, MO Tour a farm & East Perry Lumber Company, etc.	8:00 Breakfast 8:45 Prayer & Praise Salvation History Christian Teaching	8:00 Breakfast 8:45 Prayer & Praise Salvation History Christian Teaching	8:00 Breakfast & Packing 9:00 Depart for airport
1 – 5 P.M. airport arrival You will be picked up at the airport and taken to the Pallottine Renewal Center. PLEASE ARRIVE BEFORE 5 P.M.	Lunch at IC – 11:45 Return to Pallottine Center after lunch Christian Teaching Salvation History Free Time	Lunch – Noon Christian Teaching Salvation History Free Time	Lunch – 12:00 Christian Teaching Salvation History Free Time	Lunch – 12:00 Return to Pallottine Renewal Center late afternoon	Lunch – 12:00 Salvation History Christian Teaching Free Time	Lunch – 12:00 Afternoon excursion to the St. Louis Gateway Arch	
Dinner – 5:30 Get-Acquainted Activity Salvation History Free Time	Dinner – 5:30 Small Group Orientation Prayer, Praise and Care Time	Dinner – 5:30 Christian Teaching Prayer, Praise and Care Time	Dinner – 5:30 Depart for one-night homestay in Frohna, MO	Dinner – 5:30 Christian Teaching Prayer, Praise and Care Time	Dinner – 5:30 Sharing My Story Prayer, Praise and Care Time	Dinner – 5:30 Campfire Vespers & Commissioning Evaluation Prayer, Praise and Care Time	Staff: Marcia Mittwede Sharon Riordan Paul Hoemann Richard Mittwede

