

August 2020

Dear Pastors, Interim Pastors, and Congregational Contact Persons/Chairs,

Welcome to your congregation's District Conference pre-registration packet. ***After careful prayer and deliberation, the Program and Arrangements Committee, the officers of District Conference, and the Director of District Conference, Nurture and Witness have decided that this year's in-person event has been cancelled. However, we are very excited about the on-line worship (or if preferred, the DVD recording) we will prepare, highlighting the 2020 theme, "Radical Hope: Glimpses of the Kingdom", based on Matthew 6: 9-10. Our business includes voting on a new and full ballot, as well as a budget to affirm, reports to receive, and leadership to install. It is very important that delegates register by September 21.***

This deadline for registration is a week earlier than usual so that we limit the number of booklets we print based on the number of delegates who register. Booklets will be mailed to each congregation's pastor, and to the registered delegates. **Voting will be by mail**, so please allow time for the ballots to be mailed back to the District Office by **October 30**. These deadlines are necessary to allow time to prerecord the outcome and to have the event formatted for viewing by November 13 on [www.virlina.org](http://www.virlina.org) or on DVD.

Please share the enclosed forms to the proper person(s) in your congregation.

1. District Conference on-line information page/bulletin insert
2. Delegate Pre-registration Form and the CoB Yearbook Guideline for Delegate Allowance
3. Children and youth art work invitation and Jr/Sr High Youth online Bible study invitation

Forms can be downloaded or printed by visiting <http://virlina.org/district-conference.html>.

The September Headliner will describe our on-line conference.

RADICAL HOPE

Delegates may register for **\$25.00** and non-delegates may register for **\$5.00**. Booklets will be mailed to delegates and non-delegates.

If you have any questions, please email [virlina2@aol.com](mailto:virlina2@aol.com) or call the District Office at (540) 362-1816 or (800)VIRLINA.

The videos will be available through the end of the year on the Virlina website. You may watch them at your convenience. Please pray for Moderator Cathy Huffman, Moderator-Elect Greg Fleshman, and for the Program and Arrangements Committee as we try to bring you a spiritual and reflective conference.



In Christ's Service,

Mary S. St.John