



# GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS <sup>OF</sup> ATLANTA

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## ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΑΤΛΑΝΤΑΣ

January 24, 2017

Reverend Clergy, Parish Council Presidents and esteemed Parish Council members,  
Presidents and members of Philoptochos, Choir Members and Musicians  
And all the Faithful of the Metropolis of Atlanta

Beloved in the Lord,

*"So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all,  
and especially for those of the family of faith." (Gal. 6:10)*

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

I am both pleased and proud to announce that we will be holding our next Biennial Assembly and Philoptochos Conference in the beautiful city of Raleigh, North Carolina from Wednesday June 21-Saturday, June 24, 2017.

The theme of this year's Metropolis Assembly is *"Go Therefore and Make Disciples of All Nations..."* This Assembly is unique in that it will be the first time the Southeastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Choirs and Musicians will be joining us.

This unique gathering of clergy, Philoptochos delegates, and now musicians will allow for an even more complete picture of the varied parts of parish life in our Metropolis. I truly believe that the gathering together of all these various talents and treasures will further assist us in bearing witness to the life-changing Gospel of Christ to our friends and neighbors throughout the world, as our Lord commands us.

I encourage all of you to begin planning to send representatives from each and every Parish community to our Clergy-Laity Assembly. We can only truly carry out the work of the people, if all of the Body of Christ are gathered together.

Praying that the Lord will bless us to faithfully work as His servants in His Name and to His Glory, I remain

With paternal blessings and with much love in our Lord,

**+ALEXIOS**  
Metropolitan of Atlanta



"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..." Matthew 28:19

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With the blessings of His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios, we are pleased to invite you to the 2017 Metropolis of Atlanta Clergy-Laity Assembly, Philoptochos Conference, and Southeastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Choirs and Musicians Conference. Registration will begin on Tuesday, June 20 and the Assembly will convene in Raleigh, North Carolina on Wednesday, June 21, through Saturday, June 24, 2017 at the Raleigh Marriott Crabtree Valley.

We are honored to serve as your hosts. This will be the first time we gather all groups at one time and it is sure to be a very special occasion.

Wednesday, June 21, Philoptochos will begin their meetings as well as the Vicars and the Metropolis Council. There will be an evening reception at the North Carolina Museum of Art. Featured exhibits are the Greek Art Collection and the Rodin Sculptures.

On Thursday, June 22, the day will begin with a general session featuring the keynote address by His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios. The participants will then break into separate meetings/workshops/choir rehearsals. The Philoptochos luncheon for all participants will be held on Thursday. Following the luncheon, meetings/workshops/choir rehearsals will continue before the Grand Banquet for all participants that evening.

The itinerary for Friday, June 23, will include the Archons breakfast, strategic planning updates and focus groups, as well as the Plenary Session. The Clergy Family Event with His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios will be on Friday evening as well as the Choir Conference Social Event.

A Hierarchical Liturgy with His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios, Metropolis Clergy, and the participants in the Choir Federation Conference will take place on Saturday morning, June 24, at Holy Trinity. A lunch will be served in the Church hall following the Hierarchical Liturgy.

The excitement is building and we promise "southern hospitality" from arrival to departure. Register early and we look forward to welcoming you to the Capital City!

Faithfully,

Reverend Father Paul Christy  
Protopresbyter

Sydney Langford  
Assembly Co-Chair

Mark Langford  
Assembly Co-Chair



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## **2017 Clergy-Laity Assembly, Philoptochos Conference & Southeastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Choirs and Musicians Conference**

Raleigh, North Carolina June 21 – 24, 2017

### **OFFICIAL DATES**

The 2017 Clergy-Laity Congress, the Philoptochos Congress, and the Choir Conference will convene on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, at the Raleigh Marriott Crabtree Valley (4500 Marriott Drive, Raleigh). An itinerary, including Board meetings scheduled to occur on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, and on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, will be mailed as soon as it is finalized. For those traveling by air, the Marriott provides transportation to and from RDU Airport. Please call the Raleigh Marriott at 919-781-7000 upon arrival at RDU for further information. If you are driving into Raleigh, the Marriott has ample free parking.

During downtime, enjoy the shops and top area restaurants, at Crabtree Valley Mall conveniently located across the street from the Marriott. The Marriott provides shuttle service to and from the Mall.

### **HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

Marriott reservations may be made by calling toll free at 1-800-228-9290 or the direct line at 919-781-7000. Online reservations can be made at [www.raleighmarriottcrabtreevalley.com](http://www.raleighmarriottcrabtreevalley.com). (Indicate GOMGOMA for Single King or GOMGOMB for 2 Queens).

Please reference the group name “Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Atlanta Clergy-Laity Assembly 2017” when making your reservation to secure our special room rate of \$149 per night, excluding taxes and fees. **To take advantage of our discounted rates, please make your reservations prior to May 11, 2017.**

### **CONGRESS REGISTRATION**

Please note the following registration fees\*:

- \$425 for Clergy-Laity Delegates & Non-Delegates
- \$425 Metropolis Council members
- \$425 Archons and Archdiocesan Council members
- \$425 Philoptochos Delegates and Non-Delegates
- \$100 Presbyteras
- Free for retired Clergy and their Presbyteras
- Free for widowed Presbyteras
- +\$50.00 for registrations received after May 1, 2017

**\*All fees are nonrefundable**

Choirs and Musicians Conference- Registration and Conference Information available at [sfgocm.goarch.org](http://sfgocm.goarch.org).

### **REGISTRATION HOURS**

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|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| • Tuesday, June 20   | 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM | • Thursday, June 22 | 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM |
| • Wednesday, June 21 | 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM | • Friday, June 23   | 8:00 AM – Noon    |

### **HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY, LUNCHEON IMMEDIATELY TO FOLLOW – SATURDAY, JUNE 24**

If you are driving, directions from the Marriott to the Church will be available at Registration; otherwise transportation will be provided.

**Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church**

**5000 Lead Mine Road, Raleigh, NC**

**Orthros: 8:30 AM**

**Divine Liturgy: 10:00 AM**



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**Clergy Laity Assembly Delegate Reporting Form**

**\*\*THIS IS NOT YOUR REGISTRATION FORM\*\***

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED & POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 2017

Mail to: Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
2017 Metropolis of Atlanta Clergy-Laity Assembly  
5000 Lead Mine Road  
Raleigh, NC 27612

**Name of Church:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City/State:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*THE FOLLOWING WILL REPRESENT OUR CHURCH AT THE CLERGY-LAITY ASSEMBLY AS DELEGATES\*\***

**Name of Delegate:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Delegate:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**City/State/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES (ALL THREE MUST SIGN):**

**Proistamenos:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish Council President:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish Council Secretary:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_



# METROPOLIS OF ATLANTA 2017 CLERGY - LAITY ASSEMBLY

Raleigh, North Carolina June 21 – 24, 2017

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## Registration Form: Clergy-Laity Assembly and Philoptochos Conference

To be completed by each attendee of the Clergy-Laity Assembly and Philoptochos Conference

**Primary Registrant: Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish Information: Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Select ALL that apply for Primary Registrant only: (\*denotes Registrant with voting privileges)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Priest*                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Philoptochos Non-Delegate     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parish President or Vice President*   | <input type="checkbox"/> Presbytera                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clergy-Laity Delegate*                | <input type="checkbox"/> Retired Clergy                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Metropolis of Atlanta Council Member* | <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed Presbytera            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archdiocesan Council Member*          | <input type="checkbox"/> Diakonia Deca Member          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archon                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Diakonia Retreat Center Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Philoptochos Delegate                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Clergy-Laity Observer         |

**Additional Family Member Registration (for non-voting attendees accompanying the primary registrant):**

**1. Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship to Primary Registrant:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Archon     Diakonia Deca     Observer-Clergy-Laity Assembly     Diakonia Retreat Center Board

**2. Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship to Primary Registrant:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Archon     Diakonia Deca     Observer-Clergy-Laity Assembly     Diakonia Retreat Center Board

**Registration Fees: (REGISTRATION FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE)**

- Full access includes the Museum Event, Meals & Banquet
- \$425 - Clergy-Laity Delegate, Philoptochos Delegate and all Non-Delegates (full access to all meals and events)
- Free - Retired clergy, their Presbyteras and widowed Presbyteras
- \$100 - Presbytera's package includes Philoptochos Luncheon and Banquet ONLY
- \$475 - Late registration charged **after May 1, 2017**

**Amount Due:**

Registrant from above	Full Access Registrants \$425 Presbyteras \$100 Ret. Clergy/Pres- Free Widowed Pres-Free	NC Museum of Art Reception a la carte \$100	Grand Banquet a la carte \$100	Lunch a la carte Thursday (\$50) Friday (\$30)	Late Fee Registration After May 1 \$50	Total
Primary Registrant						
Add Family Member #1						
Add Family Member #2						
<b>TOTAL DUE</b>						

**In observance of the Apostles fast, all meals will be Lenten. Please list special dietary restrictions: :** \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Information: Check# \_\_\_\_\_ payable to: **GOMA Clergy-Laity**. Mail Registration forms and payment to **Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 2017 Clergy-Laity Assembly, 5000 Lead Mine Road, Raleigh NC 27612**. For questions regarding Registration, please contact Sydney Langford at 919-395-8003 or email: [2017gomaconference@gmail.com](mailto:2017gomaconference@gmail.com).



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# COMMEMORATIVE ALBUM FORM

This year the Commemorative Album will include the Assembly schedule, providing additional opportunity for your advertisements to be seen. Please consider submitting an advertisement according to the following guidelines. If you have any questions, please contact Sydney Langford at [2017gomaconference@gmail.com](mailto:2017gomaconference@gmail.com).

### **SPONSORSHIP LEVELS (please circle one):**

#### **GOLD PATRON: \$2,500**

Full page (8"x10") color

#### **SILVER PATRON: \$1,500**

Full page (8"x10") black & white

#### **SUSTAINER: \$500**

Half page (8"x10") color

#### **PATRON: \$250**

Half page (8"x5") black & white

#### **DONOR: \$100**

Quarter page (4"x5") black & white

#### **FRIEND: \$50**

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### **GUIDELINES:**

1. **Forms must be completed and postmarked no later than May 1, 2017.**
2. All copy and advertisements are subject to approval by the Clergy-Laity Committee.
3. Photos and other image files must be high resolution and ready for printing.
4. Emailed ad submissions should be in PDF, PNG or JPEG formats with the proper dimensions.
5. We are happy to typeset your ad for you if you provide us with the copy. Please send the copy in a Word document with a high-resolution photo attached in JPEG format (if there is a photo).
6. **Mail completed form to:** Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church at 2017 Clergy-Laity Assembly, 5000 Lead Mine Road, Raleigh, NC 27612
7. **Email advertisement files AND copy of scanned form to:** Sydney Langford at [2017gomaconference@gmail.com](mailto:2017gomaconference@gmail.com)

### **INFORMATION:**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH OR ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

### **METHOD OF PAYMENT:**

#### **CHECK:**

Please make checks payable to GOMA Clergy-Laity.

#### **CREDIT CARD:**

NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME ON CARD \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_