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**Registration is open for the**

2017 Biennial

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**SUMMIT**

AN AMERICAN BAPTIST GATHERING

PORTLAND, OREGON • JUNE 30-JULY 2

# JOIN US!



**Registration is open for the 2017 Biennial Mission Summit in Portland, Oregon, June 30-July 2, 2017. The theme is "Connect!"**

This brochure includes an individual registration form and additional event information you won't want to miss! Learn more about:

- Event Speakers
- Mission Summit Conversations
- Learning Opportunities
- Meal Events
- Bible Studies
- Pre-Biennial Events
- Hotels and lodging
- Free Receptions open to all
- And more!

## WORSHIP EXPERIENCES

### Connected to Christ

*Rev. Sharon T. Koh*

**Friday evening, June 30, 2017**

An evening affirming and proclaiming the many ways American Baptists are connected to Christ, with special music from American Baptists across the country and around the world.

### Connected to Each Other

*Dr. Jeffrey Haggray*

**Saturday evening, July 1, 2017**

An evening exploring and celebrating the rich tapestry of grace when American Baptists connect to each other, featuring music from the Evergreen Mass Gospel Choir directed by Sam Townsend and guest violinist Melanie R. Hill.

### Connected to the World

*Worship featuring the ABCUSA General Secretary*

**Sunday morning, July 2, 2017**

The Sunday morning worship service will feature an invitation to the incoming General Secretary of American Baptist Churches USA to address American Baptists as he or she enters this new leadership role.

### Connected in Joy!

**Sunday evening, July 2, 2017**

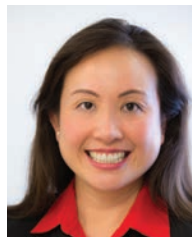
Sunday evening will be a grand celebration of our connections as a family, recognizing American Baptists who have served for years and honoring American Baptist pastors who serve in the role at local churches each Sunday. The evening will culminate with a dramatic introduction to communion. The communion service itself will be led by the new General Secretary and the other members of the National Executive Council, as well as the President and Vice President of the Board of General Ministries of American Baptist Churches USA.

For a complete list of worship leaders and house band members, please visit [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com).

## NOT TO BE MISSED

There will be many events at the 2017 Biennial Mission Summit. Attendees are asked to pre-register for the following sessions when registering in order to allow planners and leaders to be prepared for space and material needs. These include the **Bible Study** sessions and **Mission Summit Conversations** on Saturday morning as well as the **Learning Opportunities** offered Saturday and Sunday afternoons. For more information about each session, please visit [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com).

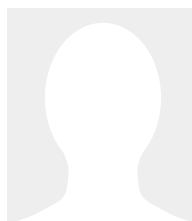
## SPEAKERS



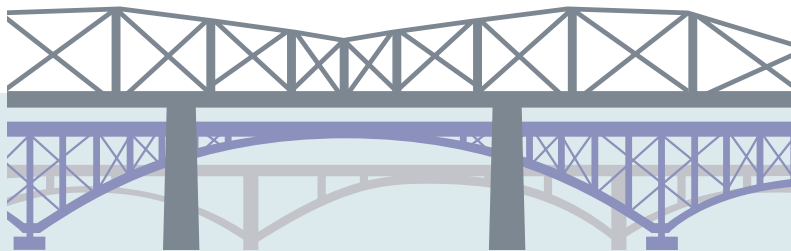
The **Rev. Sharon T. Koh**, executive director/CEO of American Baptist International Ministries, is a Los Angeles native and an American Baptist pastor. She graduated from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, CA with a M.Div. and a M.A.T., and served as a Mission Pastor for over a decade. Her passion is facilitating God's mission around the world, and she cares deeply about missionaries and their families. Her hobbies include global travel, photography and enjoying the people and food of other cultures.



**Dr. Jeffrey Haggray**, executive director of American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS), has twenty years of experience pastoring American Baptist congregations, along with close to a decade leading a region of American Baptist Churches USA, which provides Haggray with a broad perspective about ministry at the national level. At the heart of Dr. Haggray's ministry lies his passion for developing and implementing creative strategies that express God's love and God's concern for all people. That passion drives his leadership at ABHMS, as he works with national and regional American Baptist-related organizations—along with other diverse partners—to provide a clear vision of mission, cultivate relationships and develop resources for transformational ministry with congregations, communities and regions across the United States and Puerto Rico.



The incoming **General Secretary of American Baptist Churches USA** will be the featured speaker during the Sunday morning worship.



There will be two evening receptions, and all participants and delegates are invited to attend.

- Friday evening immediately following worship, there will be a Welcome Reception sponsored by ABCUSA Women in Ministry.
- Saturday evening, there will be a reception sponsored by the New Baptist Covenant following worship.

# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Fill out and return the completed form with payment to ABCUSA. For more info, visit [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com).

## Attendees may register:

ONLINE: [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com)

FAX: 610-768-2229

MAIL: ABCUSA Office of Travel & Conference Planning  
P.O. Box 851  
Valley Forge PA 19482-0851

A valid credit card is required for online and fax registrations. Make checks payable to American Baptist Churches USA.

## Questions

Call: 1-800-ABC-3USA x2234

Email: [missionsummitregistration@abc-usa.org](mailto:missionsummitregistration@abc-usa.org)

## Registration Categories and Fees

- **Church/Region Delegates:** Delegates may attend all worship sessions and workshops, and visit the Hall of Ministries. Delegates are encouraged to attend the Business Session on Saturday at 2:30 pm, where they will vote on matters of business important to the denominational family.
- **Participants:** Participants may attend all worship sessions and workshops, and visit the Hall of Ministries. Participants may attend the Business Session on Saturday at 2:30 pm, but they may not vote on matters of business.

## Hotel Reservations and Changes

All hotel reservations must be guaranteed with a valid credit card. Payment due to hotel at check-out. Housing forms received without a valid credit card will not be processed. (Checks and cash are not accepted.) **Hotel prices do not include tax. Reservations must be received by ABCUSA Housing no later than June 1, 2017.**

## Air Travel

ABCUSA has partnered with United Airlines to offer attendees to the Biennial Mission Summit special discounted airfares.

- Call TravelLeaders at 800-798-4081 (mention this event, a \$30 booking fee will apply),
- On [www.United.com](http://www.United.com) (use the promotion code: ZXXJ530593),
- Call United at 800-426-1122 (provide Z code ZXXJ and Agreement code 530593).

## Transportation

- Most contracted Biennial Mission Summit hotels are on the MAX light rail train line, which will be the main source of transportation for attendees.
- ABCUSA is working in partnership with the Oregon Convention Center and Travel Portland, and attendees staying at contracted conference hotels will receive a maximum of two complimentary TriMet Transit Passes per room at check-in. This will give the attendee free access to trains, buses and streetcars in the city of Portland, including MAX light rail trains that stop at the Oregon Convention Center.
- TriMet passes provided by Travel Portland are valid only for the dates of the conference, June 30-July 2, 2017.
- There will be limited shuttle service available for the Crowne Plaza, which is not on the MAX light rail line.

## Mission Summit Conversations, Learning Opportunities and Bible Studies

Attendees are asked to pre-register for these sessions when registering for the Biennial Mission Summit, in order to allow planners and leaders to be prepared for space and material needs. Please visit [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com) for additional information about each session.

## Orientation to American Baptist Life

Seminarians and new ministers will be attending and participating in the Biennial Mission Summit. Visit [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com) to learn more.

## Child Care

Please visit [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com) for more information if you need child care.

## Youth Programs

Youth Programs will be available at the Biennial Mission Summit. Check the event website for information and required forms. Youth cannot register on-site. **Youth must be pre-registered by June 15, 2017 for participation in Youth Programs.**

## Special Meal Request

If you have a special meal request, check the FAQs on the website: [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com).

## Translation

If you need translation, check the FAQs on the website: [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com).

## Hearing Impaired

Hearing impaired devices are available. Contact [missionsummitregistration@abc-usa.org](mailto:missionsummitregistration@abc-usa.org) for information.

**Delegates should check the ABC website, [www.abc-usa.org](http://www.abc-usa.org), for the official notice of the Biennial Meeting and for proposed bylaw amendments.**



# Event and Meal Order Form

Fill out and return this page to ABCUSA.  
Please visit [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com) for a complete list of events and additional information.

All events listed in this brochure require pre-registration. Many have no cost, but still require this to allow for adequate space and planning needs.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Time	Event	Price	Quantity	Total
<b>THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2017</b>		<b>Pre-Biennial</b>		
8:00am - 5:30pm	ABCUSA Theologians Conference (with lunch)	\$100		
9:00am - 4:00pm	Baptist Peace Fellowship Training (with lunch)	\$50		
9:00am - 4:30pm	REMC Continuing Education Event (with lunch)	\$23		
6:00pm - 7:30pm	Area Ministers/Region Staff Dinner	\$42		
<b>FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2017</b>		<b>BIENNIAL MISSION SUMMIT</b>		
10:00am - 3:30pm	Women's Day – American Baptist Women's Ministries (includes Lunch and Program)	\$60		
12:00pm - 2:00pm	MMBB Member Luncheon (spouses welcome)	by invitation		
2:00pm - 3:30pm	ABEC Seminar "Building the Future: Learn what it takes, hands on information about building to enhance ministry"	Free		
3:00pm - 3:45pm	MMBB Financial Wellness: Know Your Benefits	Free		
5:00pm - 6:40pm	Alliance of Asian American Baptist Churches/ Asian Caucus Dinner	Adult/Child under 12 \$50/\$20	/	
5:00pm - 6:40pm	Committee on Christian Unity & Interfaith Relations Dinner	\$38		
5:00pm - 6:40pm	National Black Caucus Dinner	\$45		
5:00pm - 6:40pm	Roger Williams Fellowship Dinner	\$40		
9:00pm - 10:00pm	Welcome Reception hosted by American Baptist Women in Ministry	Free		
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2017</b>		<b>BIENNIAL MISSION SUMMIT</b>		
7:00am - 8:30am	Alderson Broaddus University Breakfast	\$24		
7:00am - 8:30am	American Baptist Seminary of the West Breakfast	\$15		
7:00am - 8:30am	Andover Newton Theological School Breakfast	\$24		
7:00am - 8:30am	Fuller Theological Seminary Breakfast	\$20		
7:00am - 8:30am	General Secretary, Circle of Friends Breakfast (This event is by invitation only.)	by invitation		
7:00am - 8:30am	Northern Seminary Breakfast	\$24		
7:00am - 12:00pm	American Baptist Portuguese Speaking Caucus Breakfast/Meeting	\$24		
9:00am - 9:45am	Bible Study with Rev. Dr. Cheryl Dudley, "Making Connections When Crossing Over into Unfamiliar Territory," Acts 10	Free		
9:00am - 9:45am	Bible Study with Rev. Kathy Longhat, "Go the Distance," Galatians 6:1-10	Free		
9:00am - 9:45am	Bible Study with Dr. Doris Garcia Rivera, "Connecting: How far will you go?" Luke 16:6-18	Free		
9:00am - 9:45am	Bible Study with Rev. Philip K. James, "The Journey to Connection," Acts 10	Free		
9:00am - 9:45am	Bible Study with Rev. Robin Stoops, "Mission or Misconnection: A summary of the book of Jonah"	Free		
9:00am - 9:45am	Bible Study with Rev. Joeseeph DeRoulhac, "Covenant Sensibilities and Values in a Broken and Shattered World," Philippians 1:3-11	Free		
9:00am - 9:45am	Bible Study with Dr. C. Duh Kam, "Body of Christ," Ephesians 4:4-6 in the Burmese Language	Free		
10:00am - 11:45am	Mission Summit Conversations – Anti-Violence	Free		
10:00am - 11:45am	Mission Summit Conversations – Discipleship	Free		
10:00am - 11:45am	Mission Summit Conversations – Ending Poverty	Free		
10:00am - 11:45am	Mission Summit Conversations – Gospel in a Rapidly Changing Society	Free		
10:00am - 11:45am	Mission Summit Conversations – Innovative Models of Pastoral Ministry	Free		

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Time	Event	Price	Quantity	Total
<b>saturday, JULY 1, 2017</b> <i>(continued)</i>		<b>BIENNIAL MISSION SUMMIT</b>		
10:00am - 11:45am	Mission Summit Conversations – Next Generation of Leaders	Free		
10:00am - 11:45am	Mission Summit Conversations – Women in Ministry	Free		
12:00pm - 2:00pm	International Ministries Luncheon	\$30		
2:30pm - 3:30pm	Business Session <b>(DELEGATES PLEASE ATTEND)</b>			
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Anti-Violence sponsored by the ABC Task Force on Race and Race-based Violence	Free		
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Discipleship “On Earth as in Heaven: Discipleship in Action” sponsored by ABHMS	Free		
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Gospel in a Rapidly Changing Society “Good News in a Changing Society” sponsored by ABHMS	Free		
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Innovative Models of Pastoral Ministry “The POST and The Circuit: Raising Leaders for Region-wide Ministries” with Rev. Marie Onwubuariri	Free		
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Next Generation of Leaders “ABC to XYZ: A Multigenerational Conversation with Today’s Church Leaders” with Jolene Erlacher sponsored by ABHMS	Free		
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Storytelling Workshop “Telling Our Faith Story” with Sally Perkins	Free		
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Women in Ministry sponsored by ABCUSA Office of the General Secretary	Free		
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – “Journeying to Racial Reconciliation: Action. Reconciliation. Transformation.” sponsored by the New Baptist Covenant	Free		
3:45pm - 4:30pm	MMBB Financial Wellness: Personal Financial Planning	Free		
5:00pm - 6:40pm	Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School Dinner	\$30		
5:00pm - 6:40pm	Palmer Seminary of Eastern University Dinner	\$35		
9:00pm - 10:00pm	Reception sponsored by the New Baptist Covenant	Free		
<b>sunday, JULY 2, 2017</b>		<b>BIENNIAL MISSION SUMMIT</b>		
7:15am - 8:55am	American Baptist Historical Society Breakfast	\$23		
7:15am - 8:55am	Baptist Peace Fellowship Breakfast	\$35		
7:15am - 8:55am	Central Seminary Breakfast	\$25		
7:15am - 8:55am	Intercaucus Breakfast	\$28		
12:00pm - 2:00pm	ABHMS Luncheon	\$30		
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Anti-Violence “What Happens in This House, Stays in This House” with Laura Landgraf	Free		
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Discipleship “discipleSHIFT” with Dr. Jeffrey Johnson, sponsored by ABHMS	Free		
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Ending Poverty “God’s People Ending Poverty,” sponsored by ABHMS	Free		
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Gospel in a Rapidly Changing Society “Being the Hands and Feet of Christ to Your Muslim Neighbors” with Dan and Sharon Buttry, sponsored by International Ministries	Free		
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Innovative Models of Pastoral Ministry sponsored by International Ministries	Free		
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Next Generation of Leaders “Intergenerational Ministry: The Whole Body Living, Learning, and Serving Together” with Dr. Elizabeth Clewett and Pastor Reed Webster	Free		
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Stories of Who We Are “An Act of Faith – The Rev. Emery Andrews Story” with JoAnn Sims and Lynn Fuchigami Longfellow	Free		
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Women in Ministry sponsored by ABCUSA Office of the General Secretary	Free		
2:45pm - 4:45pm	Learning Opportunity – Baptist Talk “What does our Baptist heritage teach us about the way that we ought to have dialogue?” sponsored by the ABCUSA Board of General Ministries	Free		
5:00pm - 6:40pm	Young Adult Caucus Event (young adults and children welcome) Adult/Child under 12	\$10/\$5	/	

# REGISTRATION FORM

Fill out & return this page to ABCUSA. One adult registration per form. Photocopy as necessary.

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mr., Mrs., Ms., Rev., Dr.)  
PREFERRED FIRST NAME FOR BADGE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

DAYTIME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH/ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION (Mandatory): \_\_\_\_\_

List any special requirements you have for attending this meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your church needs to register as a Church Sponsor in order for you to receive a discounted rate.**

**DEADLINE for individual registration is June 15, 2017 (postmark or fax).**

Check Here	Before March 15	After March 15	OR	Check Here	Before March 15	After March 15
Church Delegate (church is a registered Sponsor)	\$65	\$75		Church Delegate (church is NOT a registered Sponsor)	\$165	\$175
Participant full-time (church is a registered Sponsor)	\$40	\$50	Participant full-time (church is NOT a registered Sponsor)	\$165	\$175	
Region Delegate (Approval from Region office required)	\$65	\$75	Single Day Participant - Friday, June 30	\$60		
			Single Day Participant - Saturday, July 1	\$60		
			Single Day Participant - Sunday, July 2	\$60		

When your church is registered as a Sponsor of the Biennial Mission Summit, your registration is discounted.

Arrival Date: (mm/dd/yy) \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Departure Date: (mm/dd/yy) \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

**Hotel reservations and changes** must be received by ABCUSA Housing no later than June 1, 2017. All cancellations will be charged a \$25 fee. Beginning June 15, 2017, all changes and new reservations are to be made directly with the hotel. Reservations must be cancelled 72 hours prior to arrival to avoid no show charges. Credit Card information (below) is required to reserve hotel. Please visit [www.americanbaptists2017.com](http://www.americanbaptists2017.com) for hotel details.

**Hotels** (Please number your choices in order of preference, 1-3)  
All located in Portland, Oregon

	Single Rate*	Double Rate*	Triple Rate*	Quad Rate*	Overnight Self-Parking	Overnight Valet-Parking	All Hotels Located Convenient to Transportation
Hilton Portland 921 SW Sixth Ave.	___ \$179	___ \$179			\$39	\$43	A block and a half from the nearest MAX light rail stop.
Hotel Eastland 1021 NE Grand Ave.	___ \$229 (all rooms have 1 king bed)	___ \$229				\$25	Adjacent to Convention Center, MAX light rail line and Portland Streetcar.
Crowne Plaza Portland Downtown 1441 NE 2nd Ave.	___ \$189	___ \$189	___ \$199	___ \$199	\$20	\$23	Within walking distance of MAX light rail line.
DoubleTree by Hilton Convention Center 1000 NE Multnomah St.	___ \$159	___ \$159	___ \$174	___ \$189	\$20		Located blocks from the convention center, directly on a MAX light rail line.
Lodging at Portland State University, 625 SW Jackson St.					Overnight Self-Parking \$16/day		Located at the heart of the TriMet transit system with stops for Portland Streetcar, 2 MAX light rail lines, and 15 bus routes.
Ondine Hall: Rooms offer 2 extra-long twin beds, private bath, wireless internet, no a/c					___ \$60		
The Broadway Bldg.: Rooms offer 2 twin beds, private bath, unfurnished kitchenette, no a/c					___ \$68		

\*Hotel Rates do not include tax. Parking rates subject to change. Please do not contact hotels directly for reservations - be sure to reserve your hotel through ABCUSA individual registration. The prices included above will be available once individual registration opens. Please note that ABCUSA rates are lower than normal hotel rates.

**Room Occupants (including yourself):**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment:** Please do not enclose cash.  
Make checks payable to **American Baptist Churches USA**, Ck # \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card is required to reserve hotel. Exp. Date (mm/yy): \_\_\_\_\_  
Billing Address (if different than mailing address above): \_\_\_\_\_

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature on card (required) \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation** (tax deductible) I wish to contribute to the Local Arrangements Committee (enter amount): \_\_\_\_\_

**I am registering as:** (check category)

**Church is a registered Sponsor** Total Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Church Delegate  Participant  Region Delegate

**Church is NOT a registered Sponsor** Total Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Church Delegate  Participant  
 6/30/17  7/1/17  7/2/17 Participant \$65/day

**Hotel: Payment due to hotel at check-out.**

**Events and Meals** Total Cost of all \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Payment** MUST accompany registration \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: A \$6.00 booking fee will be added to the total.  
This fee is non-refundable.