COMING THIS FALL!

THE 2019 NATIONAL RURAL & SMALL TOWN MISSION CONFERENCE will address the blessings and challenges facing rural and small-town congregations today as well as encourage those congregations and their leaders in cultivating healthy churches that are eager to bear witness to Christ, show mercy to those in need in their communities and develop a robust life together with their fellow members. Participants will be encouraged as they see new opportunities for engaging their communities and are filled with hope for the future. This year is a great one to bring your whole family, spend some special time together and take advantage of all that the RSTM Conference has to offer!

WHEN: Nov. 14–16, 2019
WHERE: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Bloomington-Minneapolis South, Minneapolis (near the Mall of America)
WHO: LCMS congregational leaders in rural and small-town settings

QUESTIONS? Please contact Amy Gerdts at rstm@lcms.org or 888-463-5127.
Building on the theme “RUNNING WITH ENDURANCE: EYES FIXED ON JESUS,” the conference will feature as its keynote speakers the Rev. Todd Kollbaum and the Rev. Dr. Harold L. Senkbeil. The Rev. Robert Zagore will lead the theme Bible study of the conference.

Choose from breakout topics, including: addiction, mental health, young adults in ministry, bi-vocational pastors, stewardship, community engagement, disaster response and online education.

The National RSTM Conference is geared for anyone from all types of rural and small-town settings. Training and resources will be shared aimed at helping congregations to assess community needs and find opportunities to engage their communities through acts of witness and mercy. Fellowship with others who serve in this unique mission field will be invaluable. In addition, continuing education credits are available through Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind.

The $225 registration fee includes the following (and more!):

› All plenary, breakout and Bible study sessions
› All conference materials
› Dinner Thursday and both lunch and dinner Friday

NOTE: Hotel reservations must be made separately from conference registration.

Lodging: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Bloomington-Minneapolis South
7800 Normandale Blvd., Minneapolis, MN 55439
800-HILTONS or 952-835-7800 (in-house)

› Our negotiated hotel rate is $100/single or double per night, plus applicable taxes. The rate includes breakfast buffet per day per occupant, complimentary self-parking and complimentary airport and Mall of America transportation on request.
› Ask for in-house reservations and the LCMS Rural & Small Town Mission Conference special rate.
› Special rates are available for families, couples, students, meal-only and groups. Please contact the RSTM office with questions.