

LANGUAGE

During the conference, presentations and interactions will be in English. Limited facilities for translation in other languages are available.

PROFESSIONAL VISITS

Upon early arrival, professional visits will be arranged on Tuesday afternoon, to local health care facilities or nursing schools in the area.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Participants are invited to submit abstracts of presentations they may do in concurrent elective sessions, addressing some aspect of the conference theme. Presenters are expected to promote the cause of Christian nurses.

Please refer to the conference website for further details: www.ncfieurope.org. Please submit your abstract no later than March 1, 2006.

SUPPORT

Limited funds are available in support of nursing students and nurses from countries with lower income. If you feel in need of support, please contact the chair of the European Committee of NCFI, Dr Barbara Parfitt (B.A.Parfitt@gcal.ac.uk). Others are kindly suggested to help support participation of nursing students and nurses from countries with lower income. Please consider a highly appreciated gift to the community of Christian nurses as early as possible. Please use the Lindeboom Instituut account, mentioning "support Euro 2006".



CONFERENCE CENTER

The location of the conference center Belmont, is just outside of Ede. The address is Goorsteeg 66, NL-6718 TB Ede, www.hcc-belmont.nl.

BOOKING

The booking fee includes all accommodation, meals and conference costs from Tuesday afternoon, August 22, to Sunday morning August 26, 2006. It should be paid before June 1, 2006. After June 1, € 99 is added to all booking fees. The booking fee should be paid to the 'Stichting Prof.dr. G.A. Lindeboom Instituut', Postbus 224, 6710 BE Ede, The Netherlands, Postbank account number 38.05.745.

The booking fee is non-returnable after June 1st, 2006. For booking fees see booking form.

TRAVEL TO EDE

From Schiphol Airport (Amsterdam), travellers are suggested to use the train to Ede-Wageningen railway station (about 1 hour, 13 euro) from where transportation to the conference centre will be provided (see www.ns.nl). Make sure to look for budget airlines and book well ahead.

Travellers by car find Ede just off the A12 motorway between the cities of Arnhem and Utrecht (see e.g. www.anwb.nl). Further travel assistance will be provided upon request and after booking.

INFORMATION

NCFI Europe and conference website: www.ncfieurope.org
Conference coordinator: bcusveller@che.nl





NURSES CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP INTERNATIONAL EUROPEAN REGION

invites you to its

7TH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE

ETHICS AND SPIRITUALITY: The Heart and Soul of Christian Nursing

August 22-26, 2006 in Ede, The Netherlands

Hosted by

The Departments of Nursing, and their Lectorate Ethics of Care Research Institute

of the

Christian University for Higher Professional Education, Ede, The Netherlands

and

Reformed University for Higher Professional Education, Zwolle, The Netherlands

In cooperation with the

Prof.dr. G.A. Lindeboom Institute, Christian center for medical ethics, Ede, The Netherlands

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The European Region of Nurses Christian International invites Christian nurses and nursing students to the 7th European NCFI conference, to be held in Ede, the Netherlands, from August 22 - 26, 2006. The conference will be hosted by the nursing departments and the Lectorate Ethics of Care Research Institute of the Christian University Ede, and the Reformed University of Zwolle, in cooperation with the Prof.dr. G.A. Lindeboom Institute, a Christian centre for medical ethics, in Ede, The Netherlands.

AIM

This four-day conference is a wonderful opportunity to meet with other Christian nurses and international speakers, and explore the heart and soul of the nursing profession: ethics and spirituality. It will enable nurses to share the relevance of biblical teaching to nursing practice so that they can be a Christian presence in health care.

THEME

God's people, including nurses in Europe, often wonder what is required of their moral and spiritual life, including their professional life. In today's health care, many complicated issues face nurses on a daily basis. Issues surrounding life and death, responsibility and power, religious diversity and personal commitment, quality and facilities of care - the list goes on. Through his prophet Zechariah, the Lord God reminds his people what he has told them: "Judge fairly and honestly, and show mercy and kindness to one another" (7:9) and again: "Tell the truth to each other. Render verdicts in your courts that are just and that lead to peace" (8:16). The conference explores the key themes of ethics, spirituality, and their context in nursing from the perspective of these scriptures.



PROGRAMME

The importance of Truth, Justice, Peace, and Care for ethics and spirituality in nursing will be addressed. In bible expositions, plenary addresses, elective sessions, and ample "corridor time", participants will challenge and strengthen their Christian commitment as well as their professional knowledge base. Christian speakers (and writers) in the field of nursing contribute to this nourishing and stimulating event. Sessions in personal, clinical, academic and policy tracks, will develop the main themes. Supported by the departments of nursing at the Christian University Ede and the Reformed University Zwolle, a wider audience of nurses and nursing students will be invited to join the conference delegates in an open conference day session.

SPEAKERS

Opening address **Dr Ann Bradshaw**, senior lecturer in clinical practice, Oxford Brookes University (England)

Bible expositions **Dr Pablo Martinez**, psychiatrist, writer, bible expositor, vice-president of Spanish Evangelical Alliance, Barcelona (Spain)

Ethics **Dr Dónal O'Mathúna**, lecturer in healthcare ethics, school of nursing, Dublin City University (Ireland)
Dr Åshild Slettebø, lecturer in nursing and ethics, school of nursing, Oslo University (Norway)
Dr Bart Cusveller, lecturer in nursing and ethics, school of nursing, Christian University Ede (The Netherlands)

Spirituality **Grete Schärfe**, clinical hospice nurse (Denmark)
René van Leeuwen, lecturer in nursing and spiritual care, school of nursing, Christian University Ede (The Netherlands)
Dr Martha Highfield, professor of nursing, department of nursing, Cal State University (United States)

Education **Dr Sue Allen**, dean, school of health, University of Northampton (England)
Claudia Persa, head nurse rheumatology unit, rehabilitation clinic Cluj (Romania)
Dr Henk Jochemsen, professor of ethics, Christian University Ede (The Netherlands)

CONFERENCE
PROGRAMME

MORNING

AFTERNOON

EVENING

TUESDAY
22/08/06

REGISTRATION

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OPENING CEREMONY
Keynote address:
Ann Bradshaw

NCFI EVENING

WEDNESDAY
23/08/06
TRUTH:

BIBLE EXPOSITION

Pablo Martinez

PLENARY SESSION

Ethics: Bart Cusveller

Spirituality: Martha Highfield

Education: Sue Allen

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Personal

Clinical

Academic

Policy

SHARING EVENING

THURSDAY
24/08/06
JUSTICE:

BIBLE EXPOSITION

Pablo Martinez

PLENARY SESSION

Ethics: Åshild Slettebø

Spirituality: René van Leeuwen

Education: Claudia Persa

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Personal

Clinical

Academic

Policy

REGIONAL FORUM

FRIDAY
25/08/06
PEACE

BIBLE EXPOSITION

Pablo Martinez

PLENARY SESSION

Ethics: Dónal O'Mathúna

Spirituality: Grete Schärfe

Education: Sue Allen

EXCURSION

DUTCH NIGHT

SATURDAY
26/08/06
CARE

BIBLE EXPOSITION

Pablo Martinez

PLENARY SESSION

Ethics: Dónal O'Mathúna

Spirituality: Martha Highfield

Education: Henk Jochemsen

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Personal

Clinical

Academic

Policy

CLOSING
CEREMONY