

Evangelism

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. – Acts 1:8

Welcome to the **TEConversations @ General Convention**. The first part of our time together features engaging speakers, poetry, music, and video. Part two is the true TEConversation, because it's when YOU share. You will have about 30 minutes in small groups to explore personal and communal hopes for living as the Jesus Movement and sharing in loving, liberating, life-giving relationship with God, each other, and the earth.

Question 1 (in pairs)

What word, image, or theme stands out for you from the talks and offerings you just heard? What is Jesus saying and calling you to do or to be, with regard to evangelism?

Question 2 (at table)

Given what you just shared in pairs about what Jesus is calling you toward personally, how might our churches and institutions respond to this call collectively?

Question 3 (go forth & share with related organizations and at www.episcopalchurch.org/teconversations)

Given what your group said about how we could respond to God's call as churches and institutions, what would help you/your church/your diocese to take the next steps around evangelism? What do you need? What do you want to share or create?

Discover resources & groups to continue the conversation. Share resources, questions, and needs.
Text TECON or EVANGELISMGC to 51555.
www.episcopalchurch.org/teconversations

Small Group Guidelines

- Focus on what matters: stay close to the questions offered.
- Contribute your best thinking.
- Speak from your mind and heart.
- Listen to understand.
- Link and connect ideas.
- Listen into the center of the conversation for wisdom.
- Have fun and enjoy the gifts of each conversation.

Process (for facilitators)

- Solicit the help of a time keeper.
- Solicit the help of a note taker who can send the notes.
- Facilitate conversation around Questions 1 & 2.
- Invite everyone to speak once before anyone speaks twice.
- Invite a reverent pause between each comment.
- Participate!
- Send notes and wisdom to the planning group via email at teconversations@episcopalchurch.org or text TECON to 51555 and follow the links.

Continue the Conversation with Exhibitors Like These ...

Evangelism – Saturday, July 7, exhibitor engagement 1-2:15 pm CT

Church Publishing (Booth # 517/617)

Featured authors at the booth include: Samantha Haycock, Chaplain at St. Martin's, the Episcopal Center at the University of Arkansas; Patricia Lyons, Missioner for Evangelism and Community Engagement, Diocese of Washington; Peter Wallace, Executive Producer and host of "Day 1."

Episcopal Church Center (Booth # 420)

ALL DAY: Visit and talk to Episcopal Evangelists in green "Be Good News" or "Jesus Genius Bar" t-shirts. Giveaways include Evangelism Toolkit samples and The Way of Love cards. Free t-shirt if you share a digital faith story.

Episcopal Divinity School at Union (Booth # 805)

SPECIAL TIME 4:30 pm CT: Dean Kelly Brown Douglas will join with EDS alumnae Stephanie Spellers and Lydia Kelsey Bucklin, as well as Scott Gunn, for a Facebook Live conversation about evangelism in today's Episcopal Church. *Tune in to EDS' Facebook page at 4:30 pm CT.*

Episcopal Evangelism Society (Booth # 905)

"Equipping Leaders for the Jesus Movement" is a panel discussion featuring Gayle Fisher-Stewart, Lorenzo Lebrija, and Sarah Kye Price.

NOTE: Sunday, July 8, from 1:15-2 pm, Stephanie Spellers presents session on "Shifting the Episcopal Narrative on Evangelism."

Episcopal Relief & Development (Booth # 401)

Asset Map Coordinator Tamara Plummer will discuss how the Episcopal Asset Map can be used as a tool of evangelism.

Girls' Friendly Society (Booth # 1035)

Representatives will share how their badge program grounds the girls in their faith so they can be confident and faith-filled evangelists. Are you up to a game of GFS Pictionary?

Global Episcopal Mission Network (Booth # 1003)

Come hear a conversation with Episcopal Church missioners on what they have learned about evangelism from people they have worked with in the Africa, Asia and Latin America that can help U.S.-based Episcopalians feel freer to share their own faith.