



AGENDA

Friends of Latvia – 2015

FUMC of Grapevine ~ Downtown Campus
 422 Church Street ~ Grapevine, Texas 76051
 817-481-2559

Leach Hall for all sessions unless otherwise indicated

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US Meetings: Thursday, April 16th

LAMB Pastors: You are encouraged to rest from travel on Thursday but are welcome to attend the meeting Note agenda Thursday 6:00 PM for Discussion, Dinner & Worship that will be of interest to you.		
Till 2:00 PM	Arrivals and Registration <i>Welcome snacks in Roundtable Room courtesy FUMC adult classes</i>	Walt Milner, Judy Brown
2:00 - 2:20	Opening Prayer and Devotion <i>Leach Hall</i>	Rev. Harvey Ozmer
2:20 - 2:40	US Welcome, Introductions, & Objective	Randy Tolleson
2:40 – 3:30	LAMB District Update	Rev. Gita Medne
3:30 – 4:00	Partnerships, Autonomy & Stewardship	Randy Tolleson
4:00 – 4:30	Break <i>Roundtable Room</i>	Adult Discipleship Groups
4:30 – 5:00	UMC Finances	Rev. Gita Medne
5:00 – 5:30	Wesley Camp Update	Richard Payne
5:30 – 6:00	Hope Center Update	Rev. Gita Medne
6:00 – 6:30	Open Discussion	<i>LAMB Pastors arrive for Dinner & Worship</i>
6:30 – 7:30	Dinner and Entertainment <i>Family Life Center – Texas Chicken-fried Steak</i>	Be Our Guest Team First Church String Band
7:30 - 8:00	Worship <i>Founder’s Chapel</i>	Rev. John Mollet Wren Robinson

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Joint Morning Sessions: Friday, April 17th

7:45 - 8:30 AM	Snacks in the Roundtable Room	United Methodist Women
8:30 – 8:45	Prayer & Devotion	Rev. Jesse Sowell
8:45 – 9:00	Welcome and Introductions	Randy Tolleson
9:00 – 9:15	Thursday Review - Agenda Review	Melissia Mason
9:15 – 9:45	Mission Initiative to In Mission Together (IMT)	Rev. Gita Mednis
9:45 - 10:00	IMT 50/50 Partnerships	Rev Lisa Neslony
10:00 – 10:30	Break <i>Roundtable Room</i>	Adult Discipleship Groups

We welcome the LAMB pastors to the US for the Friday and Saturday sessions to share witness of the Pārveidots (Transformation) as their charge serves their community and as they make disciples of Jesus Christ.

10:30 – 10:50	Pārveidots Matras and Liepaja	Rev. Edgars Sneiders
10:50 - 11:10	Pārveidots Tasu and Liepaja	Rev. Gunta Grina-Sologuba
11:10- 11:30	Plans and Projects 2015-16 (Harms Research)	Jim Hayes <i>All - Bring your plans</i>
11:30 - 11:50	Pārveidots Liepa Latvian and Sarkani	Rev. Ilzite Ozola
11:50 – 12:10	Pārveidots Liepa Russian	Rev. Vera Titovica
12:10 – 12:30	Pārveidots Paplaka	Rev. Gita Medne
12:30 – 1:30	Mexican Lunch <i>Family Life Center</i>	FUMCG Hispanic Ministries

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Joint Afternoon Sessions: Friday, April 17th

1:30 – 1:50	Pārveidots Kuldīga	Rev. Vivita Kalnina
1:50 – 2:10	Pārveidots Jelgava	Rev Janis Baumanis
2:10 – 2:30	Pārveidots Cesis	Rev. Kristine Rozefelde
2:30 - 3:00	Pārveidots Rīga 1st	Rev. Astra Dannenfelte
3:00 – 3:30	Pārveidots Rīga 2nd	Rev. Gita Medne
3:30 – 4:00	Break	
4:00 – 4:30	Pastor Income Resources and Actions	Randy Tolleson
4:30 – 5:00	Stewardship Resource Discussion & Asset Mapping	Mark Croft Randy Tolleson
5:00 – 6:00	Worship <i>Founder's Chapel</i>	Rev. John Mollet Wren Robinson
6:00 – 7:00	Dinner - Potluck <i>Family Life Center - Gym</i>	Area UMCs
7:00 on	Evening Fellowship & Planning at Leisure	All

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Joint Sessions: **Saturday, April 18th**

7:45 - 8:00 AM	Break Roundtable Room	United Methodist Women
8:00 – 8:15	Prayer and Devotion	Rev. Wayne Richards
8:15 – 8:30	Thursday, Friday & Agenda Review	Melissia Mason
8:30 – 9:00	Hospice in Latvia	Jay Analovitch
9:00 - 9:30	Break	
9:30 -10:30	Pārveidots Brainstorm & Summary	Randy Tolleson - All
10:30 – 11:15	Election of Officers 2015 – 2017	FOL
11:15 - 12:00	Closing Discussion	Randy Tolleson
12:00- 12:30	Wrap-up and Departures	All
12:30	Light Lunch Roundtable Room – Leach Hall	

The purpose of FOL gatherings is for like-minded people connected with the UMC in Latvia to prayerfully gather and to hear reports on the status, progress, and concerns of the local churches in Latvia and to spend time with leaders from the Latvian churches. We devise and revise plans for the coming two years and receive updates from national UMC and WMEC groups when they are in attendance. One of the most important objectives is to provide new churches interested in a Latvian connection with information so they can decide if this connection aligns with their ministry goals.

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