

Baptists Hosting 'Gospel and Human Sexuality' Conference

The Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission (ERLC) of the Southern Baptist Convention will host its first Leadership Summit April 21-23 in Nashville, Tenn., to be hosted annually thereafter.

The inaugural summit's theme is "The Gospel and Human Sexuality." It will equip pastors, church leaders and laypeople to speak to these critical issues in their congregations.

Speakers include ERLC President Russell D. Moore; J.D. Greear, pastor of The Summit Church in Raleigh, N.C.; and Trillia Newbell, ERLC's consultant for women's initiatives. Keynote addresses, panels and breakout sessions will focus on how the gospel shapes a person's sexual identity, redeems sexual desire and sets free people held captive by sin.

"So many of the questions that pastors grapple with today deal with situations that would not even have been possible a generation ago," Moore says.

"As technology advances and the culture changes, the questions that we have to grapple with are often increasingly complex. At the ERLC Leadership Summit, we'll talk about these questions and how we can be faithful in ministry, gospel-focused in engagement and Christ-shaped spiritual warriors in the ways we seek to wrestle with the principalities and powers of this age."

The main sessions will be live-streamed on [YouTube](#). Follow the conversation on Twitter by following @ERLC, @ERLCPressRoom and #erlclive.

A complete schedule of events and speaker information can be

found here.

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