

Church of God Planning Huge Meeting to Discuss Global Issues

Members of the International Council of the Church of God are now in session at the Leadership and Communications Center at the International Offices.

The International Council consists of leaders of various ethnic and geographic regions of the Church of God who come together every two years to discuss ministry in strategic areas of the globe.

The group consists of field directors and area representatives, as well as leaders from World Missions and the International Executive Committee.

After Scripture, prayer and introductions, the sessions begin on Sunday afternoon with a State of the Church report from General Overseer Mark L. Williams. He will be followed by David M. Griffis, first assistant general overseer, who will give a Ministerial Advocate Report.

Timothy M. Hill, director of Church of God World Missions will report on ministry conducted through that department, followed by individual reports from field directors and area representatives. Williams will conclude their agenda with a discussion around recommendations moving forward.

On Tuesday morning, Sept. 29, the International Council will conduct a joint session with the International Executive Council on the first day of their regularly scheduled meeting. In addition to Williams, Griffis and Hill, International Council participants include J. David Stephens, second assistant general overseer; Wallace J. Sibley, third assistant general overseer; Secretary General M. Thomas Propes; John D.

Childers, assistant director of World Missions; Japarlin Marbun, overseer of Indonesia; Kenneth Hill, USA representative for African American; Carlos Moran, USA Representative, Hispanic; Larry Hasmatali, Canadian representative; Peter Thomas, field director for Africa; Ishmael Charles, field director for the Caribbean; David M. Ramirez, field director in Latin America; Africa-area Representative David Mills; Fred Garmon, area representative for Asia/Pacific; Donald Roberts, area representative in the Caribbean; European-Area Representative Nick Park, and Francisco Jimenez, Area Representative for Latin America.