

COST OF CONFERENCE:

Registration fee:

- \$125 per participant
- \$ 50 seminary/divinity students

Fee includes:

- Registration and materials
- Refreshments
- All meals

Online Registration:

www.wilshirebc.org
 Click the Practicum icon



ACCOMODATIONS:

We have booked rooms at the Radisson Hotel (rate \$99). We will make your reservations for you as you indicate your desire on the registration form below or on the Wilshire website.

Radisson Hotel Central Dallas
 6060 N. Central Expwy
 Dallas TX 75206

www.radisson.com/dallastx_centralexpy

Mail-in Registration:

- My spouse will attend dinner on Monday
- Make my hotel reservations at the Radisson
- I am a Lilly resident

Name

Church/Organization

Mailing address

E-mail address

- check enclosed
- bill me

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Preaching Practicum



Hosted by:

*Wilshire Baptist Church
 4316 Abrams Rd
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**May 5-6
 2008**

PRACTICUM FACILITATORS

DR. GEORGE MASON



Dr. George Mason has been senior pastor of Wilshire since August 1989. He has served in ministerial roles at churches in Florida, Alabama, and Texas since 1978.

He is a nationally recognized leader among Baptists as well as ecumenical, and interfaith circles.

At Wilshire, he has birthed and directs the unique pastoral residency program that currently enjoys funding from the Lilly Endowment. One of his passions is encouraging those whom God has called into vocational ministry.

George earned a bachelor of business administration degree from the University of Miami and holds both the master of divinity and doctor of philosophy degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

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DR. JOEL GREGORY



Dr. Joel Cliff Gregory is professor of preaching at George W. Truett Theological Seminary of Baylor University and was appointed Distinguished Fellow by Georgetown College, Kentucky, in 2004. He is also the founder and president of Joel Gregory Ministries, a nonprofit organization supporting a preaching, teaching, counseling and writing ministry.

DR. ALLEN WALWORTH



Dr. Allen Walworth was a senior pastor from 1984 to 1997 and a professor and lecturer at numerous universities from 1983 to 1990. He has been a stewardship consultant since 1997 and a preaching consultant since 2001. He currently serves as executive vice president of Generis Partners, which specializes in stewardship consulting and fundraising, preaching and strategic counsel for churches.

The annual preaching practicum, hosted by Wilshire Baptist Church and sponsored by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, enters its second decade this year with a new twist. Unlike previous years in which the format was primarily lecture-oriented in a plenary setting, this year will include three small group workshop sessions. Each participant will rotate through each workshop during the conference. The workshops will focus on preaching three different genres of biblical material, each one drawing from three successive weeks of the lectionary in the month of June, thus providing fodder for sermons over those weeks.

Joel Gregory, Allen Walworth, and George Mason will be workshop facilitators, leading the groups in Epistle, Gospel, and Old Testament readings, respectively as follows: *June 1*: Romans 1:16-17; 3:22b-31; *June 8*: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26. *June 15* (Father's Day): Genesis 18:1-15. The sessions will include: reading the text, understanding how literary genre impacts sermon development, and making initial drafts of sermons. Participants are asked to bring three, one-page briefs that include sermon title, two-three sentences that describe the sermon theme, and some possible directions of outline or movement, along with any specific illustrations or applications that might be made. The facilitators will also offer three one-hour plenary sessions and preach a homily during brief worship experiences.

Monday night will feature a Tex-Mex fajita dinner at the Mason's house. Spouses welcome at no additional charge. George and Kim Mason will talk about how pastors and spouses handle criticism of the minister, and expectations of spouses and family.

PRACTICUM SCHEDULE

Monday, May 5

1:15 pm Registration & welcome
 Youth Center

1:30 pm Greetings

1:45 pm Plenary Session 1—Allen Walworth
"Storytelling Secrets to Season the Sermon"

2:45 pm Break

3:00-5:00 pm Workshop 1

5:00 pm Break

5:15 pm Vespers
 Homilist: George Mason

7:00 pm Dinner with spouses/friends
 At the Mason's

Tuesday, May 6

7:30 am Continental breakfast—Youth Center

8:00 am Morning prayer
 Homilist: Allen Walworth

9:00 am Plenary Session 2—Joel Gregory
"Mapping the Moves of the Message"

10:00 am Break

10:15-12:15 Workshop 2

12:15 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Plenary Session 3—George Mason
"Tuning Tone & Tenor to Preaching Occasions"

2:00 pm Break

2:15-4:15 pm Workshop 3

4:30 pm Vespers with Communion—Garden
 Homilist: Joel Gregory