

Title: InterVarsity January 2024 Orlando Staff Conference

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Greetings all,

Details are finally getting finalized regarding Immanuel Approach ministry at the January 2024 InterVarsity staff conference in Orlando.

The bad news is that InterVarsity ran a large deficit for 2023, and they are now operating under austerity measures. What this means for us is that they will not be able to cover our meals after all -- Immanuel ministry volunteers will need to cover all of their own expenses, just like for Urbana.

The *good news* is that this means there will not be a limit to the number of IA ministry volunteers that can participate. (Prior to the recent decision re meals, they were thinking they might need to limit volunteers to 15 or 20, due to cost considerations.)

Our mission for this adventure is to provide Immanuel Approach sessions for as many InterVarsity staff as possible. (Note that we will be providing sessions for *staff*, not students, since this is a staff conference. And we will be providing ministry sessions, not training.)

The InterVarsity leadership team is hoping for 40 to 50 volunteers onsite, and they are also open to 20 or more virtual prayer ministers.

All of the details are included below (per Peter Horton).

Please let me know if you are wanting to be a part of this adventure. Also, to those of you who have already contacted me regarding being on the team -- please send me a note to let me know whether or not you are still planning to participate, in light of the change with respect to needing to pay for your own meals.

Blessings,

Dr. Lehman/Karl

InterVarsity Staff Conference 2024 – updated details per Peter Horton 6/12/23

Theme: Follow Jesus

Dates: January 2-6, 2024

Location: Rosen Center Hotel, Orland, FL

We follow Jesus. We call people on every corner of every campus to follow Jesus. It's who we are, and it's what we do. Come, join colleagues from around the country and world to experience revived hope and renewed calling. Let's follow Jesus together.

BIBLE EXPOSITOR: Rich Villodas

Lead pastor of New Life Fellowship, a large, multiracial church with more than seventy-five countries represented in Elmhurst, Queens. He is also a key speaker for Emotionally Healthy Discipleship

Prayer Ministry Details

9 Hours = 3 hours a day Wed (2:00-5:00 p.m.), Thr (1:00-4:00 p.m.), and Fri (2:00-5:00 p.m.)

Staff will sign up for hour long sessions

3 sessions per volunteer each day

Seeking 40-50 Immanuel Approach ministry volunteers onsite

Also open to some 20 or more virtual IA ministry volunteers

Over 1000 staff at the conference

Volunteer Costs (can use what IV provides or find their own)

Transportation to Orlando – Not chartered or provided

Transport from Orlando airport to hotel - Charter bus from airport to the hotel on Tues the 2nd and returns on Fri the 5th - FREE.

Housing – Hotel rooms are \$125/night for 1-4 people per room, Registration through IV starts Aug 1. NOTE: registration through IV will provide discount. Volunteers can also find alternative lodging if they prefer.

Food – Hotel food cost \$80/day – Hotel meals are very expensive and only provide convenience. It's much cheaper to make alternative arrangements.

Registration – FREE for volunteers

Other Information

Volunteers are welcome to attend all general sessions. NOTE: I can send you the current draft of the schedule if you are interested.

The hotel has a beautiful pool

Located in Orlando close to Disney and Paramount Studios