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ASSEMBLIES OF GOD LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE TO FEATURE HIGH-PROFILE SPEAKERS

ORLANDO – Influence: Leadership in High Definition conference will be held at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Monday, August 3 through Tuesday, August 4, and feature some of the nation’s leading voices on discipleship, vision and communications in today’s culture. The leadership conference will be held in conjunction with the 53rd General Council of the Assemblies of God.

“We are bringing in some of the best known communications experts in the field,” said John Jay Wilson, administrator to the Assemblies of God General Superintendent, George O. Wood. “If you go to any leadership conference in the country, you will probably have one or more of these speakers participating.”

Session speakers include: Mark Batterson, lead pastor of National Community Church in Washington, D.C.; Reggie Joiner, chief creative officer of The reThink Group; Beth Moore, bestselling author; Keith Craft, lead pastor Celebration Covenant Church in Frisco, Texas, and Ed Young, Jr., senior pastor of Fellowship Church near Dallas, Texas.

Batterson, Joiner, Moore, Craft and Young will each lead one session and speak based upon their own areas of influence and experience. The two-day seminar is designed to equip church leaders with the tools and knowledge necessary to impact their communities. Wilson is confident that no matter the size of a church or age of its leadership, attendees will come away energized and confident.

Influence: Leadership in High Definition begins at 6:30 p.m. Monday, August 3, and runs through 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 4. To learn more about the Influence leadership seminar, including available online registration, visit the event Web site at www.influenceconference.org.

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The General Council is the biennial business meeting of the Assemblies of God, one of the largest Pentecostal groups in the world with nearly 60 million members. This meeting is for the U.S. Assemblies of God, which has nearly 3 million members and adherents.

The 53rd General Council convenes in Orlando, Florida, August 3-7, 2009. Over 30,000 church members are expected to gather at the Orange County Convention Center for activities during the day, then for evening services Monday through Friday nights.