46th Annual National Melkite Convention



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MEET LEADERS

Meet great Christian leaders from the United States and the Holy land and learn about the Miracle of Our Lady Of Soufanieh and it is message to unite the church.



Most Reverend Archbishop Cyril Bustros: Eparch of Newton Melkite Catholic Eparchy of Newton is the eparch of the Melkite Greek Catholic Church in the United States. Bishop Cyril Bustros pursued a Doctorate of Theology at the Catholic University of Louvain in Belgium, and received his degree in 1976. He then served for eleven years as director of the St. Paul Institute of Philosophy and Theology at the Paulist Missionaries at Harissa. Bishop Cyril Bustros is a member of the International Commission for Dialogue between the catholic Church and the Assyrian Church of the East, and of the Standing Conference of American-Middle Eastern Christian and Muslim Religious Leaders.



His Excellency, The Most Reverend <u>Celestino Migliore Titular</u>: Archbishop of Canosa, Apostolic Nuncio, Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations. He served at the Apostolic Nunciatures in Angola (1980-1984), Washington, D.C. (1984-1988), Egypt (1988-1989), and Poland (1989-1992). In April 1992 he was appointed Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, France, and from December 1995 to October 2002 served as Under-Secretary of the Section for Relations with States of the <u>Secretariat of State at the Vatican</u>. While in Rome, he also taught Ecclesiastical Diplomacy at the <u>Pontifical Lateran University</u> as a Visiting Professor. On 30 October 2002, he was nominated Apostolic Nuncio and Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations in New York.



Most Reverend Archbishop Elias Chacour: Eparch of Ackko, Haifa, Nazareth and all the Galilee for Melkite Catholic Church in Holy Land, Chacour is the author of two bestselling books, Blood Brothers and We Belong to the Land. Blood Brothers covers his childhood and has been translated into 28 languages; His second book, We Belong to the Land, recounts his work in the development of Mar Elias Educational Institutions, This book has been translated into 11 languages. 2001, Chacour gave an address at commencement at Emory University, in Atlanta, Georgia where he accepted an honorary degree.

Archbishop Elias Chacour at Montreat (Video) Archbishop Elias Chacour Unity Within Diversity: Myth or Reality?(Video)



JOIN WORKSHOP

The convertingly religious workshops

Religious Guest <u>Mirna Nazzour</u>: Myrna experiences visions of both the Blessed Virgin Mary and Jesus. In many of her ecstasies she's experienced the stigmata, caught on <u>film</u>. She has suffered Christ's wounds in her hands, feet and side, and the crown of thorns. She's felt the scourging of Our Lord. Her skin exudes 100% pure Olive Oil with healing properties. It has secreted from her face, hands, ears, feet, neck, stomach and eyes during her ecstasies. This phenomena is unexplainable to scientists and psychologists. The later segments of the <u>film contain their testimonials</u>. The lcon of <u>Soufanieh</u> also exudes the same oil, which has healed and blessed a vast multitude. The main message Our Lady of Soufanieh and Our Lord tell us is: Unity of hearts, Unity of Christians and Unity of The Feast of Easter.

The convention's religious workshops

- Unity & Diversity in the church history.
- Unity & Diversity in Religious Symbolism.
- Unity & Diversity in the Liturgical Music.
- Unity & Diversity in the Churches Architect.
- Unity & Diversity in the Christian Family and Society.

SHARE PRAYERS

- Daily prayers
- Byzantine Hymns concert
- Deacon ordination



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Dear Beloved in Christ,

I am delighted to announce that Saint Joseph Melkite Mission in Seattle, Washington will host the 46th Annual National Melkite Convention between June 30th and July 4th, 2010 at Hyatt Regency Hotel in Bellevue City.

Our Convention Team has prepared for you an exciting and enriching program filled with all kinds of wonderful activities that are fit for such an important event. I hope and pray that your stay and participation will be most enjoyable and memorable.

It is with great enthusiasm that I invite each one of you, on behalf of the community of St. Joseph Mission, to a magnificent 4-day celebration honoring our Eastern heritage under the auspices of our Beloved Eparch Cyril Bustros of Newton. The upcoming convention promises to be an inspiring gathering of brilliant minds, powerful speakers and sheer family merriment.

The theme of our convention will focus on the theme of Unity and Diversity within the Church, as being one of the most important issues that faces our Melkite Church in this beautiful country. The keynote speaker of the convention will be Archbishop Elias Chacour, Melkite Eparch of Galilee in the Holy Land. Our distinguished guest his Excellency the most reverend Celestino MiglioreTitular Archbishop of Canosa, Apostolic Nuncio, Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations. Our religious guest Mirna Nazour from Our Lady of Soufania in Damascus, Syria, will share her unique spiritual experience as an "Ambassador" of Christian Unity in the Middle East.

As members of God's family, we are connected to one another, and we live an active community life as a church. Most importantly we join one another to form the Melkite family all over the USA. Another important aspect of our community life is our joy in each other's company, expressed in the frequent meals and social times we share, and the support we offer one another in our daily life; in this way the unity we celebrate at the Eucharist is lived out day by day.

May the new born Babe, the child of Bethlehem's cave, bless you all with your families and your Melkite community, and may He also bless the United States.

Respectfully yours in Christ, Rev. Samir Abu Lail Pastor

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During Check out please remember to add the full attendee(s) name(s) for every item you purchase

		Convention Pa	ackage			
One Low Flat Rate	Package	\$290.00	Wed Jun 30–Sun July 4			
	e promotional rate for MAYA/	/NAMY/CLERGY; w/saving				
Reserve as soon as possible since some days have already reached high percentage of occupancy. Hotel will not increase rooms when inventory is out, and new rate will be at \$199 per night.						
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Includes: * Welcome Package * Wednesday Space N * Thursday Hotel Welc * Friday Cruise Party * Saturday Grand Band * Four Breakfasts from * General Sessions wit * Workshops * Social Room Activitie	ome Party quet Thursday to Sunday h Keynote Speakers					
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Indiv	Idual Tickets If Pu	Irchased Separa	tely From Convention Package			
Four Breakfasts		\$60.00	Thu July 1-Sun July 4			
* Buffet Style on Thu. F	ri. Sat and Sun. (Brunch)					
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Space Needle Dini	ner Party	\$125.00	Wednesday Jun 30			
provided			ration Deck, Entertainment; Transportation is			
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Hyatt Hotel Welco		\$75.00	Thursday July 1			
* Seated Dinner with o	ne wine/Soft drink; Live Ente	rtainment; Same Day Sea	ts Assignment			
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Argosy Cruise Din		\$125.00	Friday July 2			
	ertainment, Transportation is o need to have PayPal		PayPal log-in at the last payment page is optional"			
Hyatt Hotel Grand		\$95.00	Saturday July 3			
	ne Wine/Soft drink; Live Ente					
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	Addit	ional Events Not Incl	uded In Package			
Boeing Factory To	ur	\$50.00	Thursday July 1			
			embled in the world's largest building.			
	be at least 4 years to be					
Ticket price for kid	s 10 years old and you	inger is \$10 per kid d	ue at bus boarding.			
"N	o need to have PayPal	account to purchase.	PayPal log-in at the last payment page is optional"			
Microsoft Campus	Tour and Lunch	\$50.00	Friday July 2			
* Visit Microsoft Ca employees	ampus, Visitor Center,	Store, Library, Buildir	ngs, Offices and take a lunch with Microsoft			
No age restrictions	s, ticket price for kids 10	0 years and younger	is \$10 per kid due at bus boarding			
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National Assoc. of	Melkite Women Lunch	neon \$25.00	Thursday July 1			
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Order of St. Nicho	as Luncheon	\$35.00	Friday July 2			
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Unity & Diversity Luncheon	\$95.00	Saturday July 3
 * Seated Lunch including one Wine & Diversity 	Soft drink, with our distinguis	hed guests from US and abroad to discuss Unity
From 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm		
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*If you would like to purchase ticke Saint Joseph Melkite Mission, P.O.		ad, print and fill out the form then Mail Check To: 25
*Tickets and badges will be held fo be sold at the Door	r guests at the registration de	sk, they will not be mailed. No events tickets will
* Limited # of packages, register by Microsoft software and more	/ April 30 th and get 50 free raf	fle tickets; prizes include free hotel stay,
*For requests please <u>contact us</u> , if	urgent please call Fr. Samir A	bulail at (206) 362-2519

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Hyatt Regency Bellevue

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Great video on Hyatt, Bellevue Collection & Fashion Week! Enjoy... Some Hyatt Regency Bellevue Hotel Photos

Hotel Reservation

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Daily Schedule

	Wednesday June				
Time	Event	Location			
		Hyatt, Registration Desk Regency Staircase			
	Transportation to the Space Needle	Hyatt, North Side of the First Floor, Every Half Hour			
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm	Space Needle Tour	Space Needle, Observation Deck, Every Half Hour			
7:00 pm – 12:00 pm	Space Needle Party, Dinner at 8:00 pm	Space Needle, SkyLine level			
9:30 pm – 12:00 pm	Transportation Back to the Hyatt Hotel	Space Needle, Broad Street west of Fifth Ave, Every Half Hour			
	Thursday July 1	st, 2010			
Time	Event	Location			
	Divine Liturgy	Hyatt, Regency			
9:00 am – 10:30 am		Hyatt, Grand			
10:30 am – 12:30 pm		Hyatt, Grand			
12:30 pm – 2:30 pm		Bellevue City, Downtown Seattle			
		Hyatt, Registration Desk East Foyer of the Grand Ballroom			
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Vespers Prayer & Penance Service	Hyatt, Regency			
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Hyatt Welcome Party, Social Hour	Hyatt, Grand Ballroom			
8:00 pm – 2:00 am	Hyatt Welcome Party, Dinner at 8:00 pm	Hyatt, Grand Ballroom			
	Friday July 2nd	J, 2010			
Time	Event	Location			
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Divine Liturgy	Hyatt, Regency			
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Breakfast	Hyatt, Grand			
10:30 am –11:30 am	Key Note Speech	Hyatt, Grand			
11:30am – 1:00 pm	Workshops	Hyatt, TBD			
12:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Free Lunch Time	Bellevue City, Downtown Seattle			
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Vespers Prayer & Memorial Service	Hyatt, Regency			
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Transportation to the Royal Argosy Cruise	Hyatt, North Side of the First Floor			
	Cruise Dockside Begins	Royal Argosy, 1101 Alaskan Way # 201			
		Royal Argosy, 1101 Alaskan Way # 201			
	Transportation Back to the Hyatt Hotel	Royal Argosy, 1101 Alaskan Way # 201			
	Saturday July 3				
Time	Event	Location			
	Divine Liturgy	Hyatt, Regency			
9:00 am – 10:30 am		Hyatt, Grand			
10:30 am – 12:30 pm		Hyatt, Grand			
	Free Lunch Time	Hyatt, Grand			
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Workshops	Hyatt, TBD			
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Hyatt Grand Banquet Seating Assignment	Hyatt, Registration Desk East Foyer of the Grand Ballroom			
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Vespers Service Prayer	Hyatt, Regency			
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Hyatt Grand Banquet, Social Hour	Hyatt, North Side of the Second Floor			
8:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Hyatt Grand Banquet, Dinner	Hyatt, Grand Ballroom			
9:00 pm – 2:00 am	Hyatt Grand Banquet, Entertainment	Hyatt, Grand Ballroom			
Sunday July 4th, 2010					
Time	Event	Location			
10:30 am – 12:30 pm	Pontifical Divine Liturgy	Hyatt, Regency			
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Farewell Brunch	Hyatt, Grand			
	Farewell – Maael Salameh	See you Next Year at the Convention in Orange			
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EXPLORE THE NORTHWEST

Explore the natural beauty of the Pacific Northwest, Forests, Lakes, Rivers, Waterfalls, Mountains, Volcanoes, Islands and Scenic Views... Experience the Pacific Wildlife, Bold Eagles, Wales and Dolphins... Taste the Pacific Northwest's culture on an island with an Indian Tribe... Visit the best companies in the world and see the greatest innovations from software to airplanes.

EXPLORE NATURE



Argosy Cruises Party: Enjoy our Cruise Party on the <u>Royal Argosy</u> with the best food service and entertainment. Learn about Seattle's history, View the spectacular panoramic background of the majestic Cascade and Olympic mountain ranges and see the city's historic waterfront, sparkling Emerald City skyline, colorful Alki Beach and breathtaking natural beauty.

WITNESS INNOVATION



Boeing Factory: Experience the marvel of commercial jet aviation. See the future of powered, winged flight. Digitally design and test your own jet. Ride the XJ5 Flight Simulator and "fly" at supersonic speeds. Take the Boeing Tour and watch the world's largest jets assembled in the world's largest building.



Microsoft Campus: Walk through the doors of the Microsoft Visitor Center and you are surrounded by the sights, sounds, and demonstrations of the same idea: Microsoft believes that everyone in the world has potential and that great software can help you realize that potential. Once inside, you can explore the vision, products, culture, and history of Microsoft. Our exhibits display everything from the latest Microsoft Research innovations to the very first personal computer. Explore hands-on exhibits featuring some of the company's most exciting technologies for home and business.

You can also visit others such as space needle, woodland zoo, museum of flight, Seattle aquarium and Pacific Scientific Center.

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MEET GREAT PEOPLE

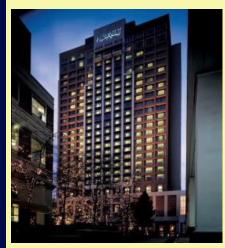
Enjoy the social gathering with great people from around the States who share with you the same values and interest, Meet successful professionals and build your trustworthy professional network, Hang out with young people like you and extend your safe social networks to other cities.

MEET SINGLES & FAMILIES



Space Needle Party: The <u>Space Needle</u> is a tower in Seattle, Washington, and is a major landmark of the Pacific Northwest region of the United States and a symbol of Seattle. Located at the Seattle Center, it was built for the 1962 World's Fair. The Space Needle is 605 feet (184 m) high at its highest point and 138 feet (42 m) wide at its widest point and weighs 9,550 tons. At the 100-foot level of the Space Needle, The Space Needle's Skyline Level is hosting our party with fabulous food, music, service and views.

This event includes access to the 360-degree view of the <u>Observation Deck</u> at the top of the Space Need where you can see not only the Downtown Seattle skyline, but also the Olympic and Cascade Mountains, Mount Rainier, Mount Baker, Elliott Bay and surrounding islands. <u>Check some of the Space Needle events</u>



Hyatt Regency Grand Party: The Hyatt Regency Bellevue offers the convenience and attractions of an urban hotel with striking views of Washington's natural beauty. Newly renovated guest rooms at this Seattle area luxury hotel offer views of downtown Bellevue, Seattle, Lake Washington and Mount Rainier.

Home to a variety of high-tech businesses, Bellevue WA is a booming technology center and the Hyatt Regency's 17,000 square feet of flexible meeting and event space makes the hotel a prime location for meetings and conferences. The area's picturesque surroundings also make Bellevue a popular spot for weddings and the Hyatt's Grand and Regency Ballrooms offer beautifully appointed space for the big day.

MAKE FRIENDS



Get active with friends: We will give you the chance to visit with your friends <u>Pike Place Market</u> which is a public market overlooking the Elliott Bay waterfront in Seattle, Washington, United States. The Market opened August 17, 1907, and is one of the oldest continually operated public farmers' markets in the United States. It is a place of business for many small farmers, craftspeople and merchants. Named after the central street, <u>Pike Place</u> runs northwest from <u>Pike Street</u> to Virginia Street, and remains one of Seattle's most popular tourist destinations. <u>Check the first Starbucks store in Pike Street from Bing</u>

Public Market Center



Shop and explore with others: <u>Hyatt Regency of Bellevue</u> is situated within "Bellevue Place" and connects via sky-bridge to "Lincoln Square", which is connected via another sky bridge to "Bellevue Square". It feels like this collection is right within the hotel where it is easy and safe to move around. This collection is the region's best shopping, dining and entertainment. A collection of 250 shops, 18 sit-down restaurants, as well as a 16-screen premier cinema awaits you. Dining and entertainment. A collection of 250 shops, 18 sit-down restaurants, as well as a 16-screen premier cinema awaits you.



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Package Registration Form

Convention Package

One Low Flat Rate Package	\$290.00 x =	Wed Jun 31–Sun July 4		
* All guests get the same promotional r	rate for MAYA/NAMY/CLERGY; w/savings of \$19	90 per package		
* Includes Welcome Package, Wed Space Needle Party, Thu Hotel Welcome Party, Fri Cruise Party, Sat Grand Banquet,				
Four Breakfasts from Thursday to Sunday, General Sessions with Keynote Speakers, Workshops, Social Room Activities and more.				
Individual Tickets If Purchased Separately From Package				

Four Breakfasts * Buffet Style on Thu. Fri. Sat and Sun. (Brunch	\$60.00 x =	Thu July 1-Sun July 4
Space Needle Dinner Party * Seated Dinner with one Wine/Soft drink; Acce	\$ 125.00 x = ess Top Observation Deck, Entertainment; 7	Wednesday Jun 31 Transportation is provided
Hyatt Hotel Welcome Party * Seated Dinner with one wine/Soft drink; Live	\$ 75.00 x = Entertainment; Same Day Seats Assignment	Thursday July 1
Argosy Cruise Dinner Party * Buffet Style, Live Entertainment, Transportati	\$ 125.00 x = on is provided	Friday July 2
Hyatt Hotel Grand Banquet * Seated Dinner with one Wine/Soft drink; Live	\$ 95.00 x = Entertainment; Same Day Seats Assignme	Saturday July 3 nt
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Boeing Factory Tour * Take the Boeing Tour and watch the world's la	\$ 50.00 x = regest jets assembled in the world's largest b	Thursday July 1 Duilding.
Microsoft Campus Tour and Lunch * Visit Microsoft Campus, Visitor Center, Store	\$ 50.00 x = Library, Buildings, Offices and take a lunc	Friday July 2 ch with Microsoft employees
National Assoc. of Melkite Women Lunch	\$ 25.00 x =	Thursday July 1
Order of St. Nicholas Lunch	\$ 35.00 x =	Friday July 2
Unity & Diversity Conference * Seated Lunch including one Wine/Soft drink,		
Registration Information	Payment Option	IS
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*Please Complete Entire Form and mail it, or re *Tickets and badges will be held for guests at th * Limited # of packages, register by April 30 th a *For requests please contact us at http://stjoseph	e registration desk, they will not be mailed. nd get 50 free raffle tickets; prizes include	No events tickets will be sold at the Door free hotel stay, Microsoft software and more