

February 25, 2018

1812 Washington St.
Pella, Iowa 50219

To our dear brethren gathered in the worthy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ elsewhere:

We, as an assembly, with much fresh exercise, have sought the Lord's mind as to hosting a conference this year. We feel our weakness and inadequacy, but "our sufficiency is of God". 2 Cor. 3:5 It has been through prayer, the searching of the Word of God, the encouragement from other assemblies, and the ready availability of facilities, that we feel an affirmative answer from the Lord. In spite of our feebleness, it is our desire to provide a platform whereby the saints can be edified, exhorted and comforted, (1Cor. 14:3) and be steadfast "in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers." Acts 2:42 We are instructed in Prov. 23:23, to "Buy the truth, and sell it not." This is a day when our "adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour," and we are told, "Whom resist steadfast in the faith." 1Pet. 5:8 "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, un-moveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." 1Cor. 15:58 "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ." Col. 2:6-8 "Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life." 1Tim. 6:19. "Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do. Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession...Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." Heb. 4:13,14 and 10:25

It is with these thoughts and scriptures in mind, if our Lord has not yet come, we would invite you to be with us for the preaching and teaching of God's Word, the remembrance of our Lord in the breaking of bread, Christian fellowship and the presentation of the glad tidings to the lost.

Lord willing, the meetings will begin with prayer at 9:30 AM Saturday, May 26, and ending at noon on May 28 at the Central College Graham Hall in Pella. There will be a picnic lunch following the last meeting to conclude our time of fellowship. Our desire is that the meetings would be a rich blessing from the Lord to those who are able to be present. Also, those who have the responsibility of sharing the Word, and ministering the love of God, might have an exercise from the Lord that they would have a "word in season." "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine." 2 Tim. 4:2 We would ask that all planning to attend, please notify us of your intent by May 2, including expected times of arrival and departure, mode of travel, names and ages of children, special needs, and any other information that you feel is pertinent. To ensure expedient handling of the arrangements, and because space is limited, we would ask that you be as prompt as possible in your response. Please be aware that financial commitments are made three weeks before the conference, and that it would be unbecoming to our Christian testimony to request change after that date. Anyone over the age of 17, if not wishing to stay with their parents or guardian, should register individually; those 17 and under must be accompanied by a parent or specified responsible adult who will be accountable for their conduct and with whom they may be placed. We cannot provide accommodations or meals to anyone under assembly discipline.

Travel and lodging communications should be addressed to Mark and Diane Breman, 3321 210th St. Rose Hill, IA 52586. Their phone number is (641) 670-1006. Our preference, if you have internet access, is that you would register online at <http://www.pellaconference.org> or by sending an email to pellabileconference@gmail.com. You will receive a response within a few days confirming your online registration. If, for some reason, you do not receive confirmation, please call. All other communications should be addressed to Tom Renaud, 1367 310th St. Bussey, IA 50044.

Those who will be traveling by plane should use the Des Moines International Airport (DSM) for their arrival and departure. This is about a 50-minute drive from Pella, and we will be happy to provide transportation service to and from the airport.

In closing, we would earnestly desire your prayers, as we continue to plan for the conference, that the Lord's name would be glorified above all other things.

With much love in the Lord Jesus Christ, our soon-coming Savior, and signed on behalf of the saints gathered to His precious name in Pella,

Dean Roorda

Randy Waddle

Mark Breman



The image shows three handwritten signatures in cursive script, each positioned above a horizontal line. From left to right, the signatures are: 'Dean Roorda', 'Randy Waddle', and 'Mark Breman'. The signatures are written in black ink on a white background.

p.s. Plan on activities for the young people on Friday evening at the Central College Gym starting at 6:00.