



GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF SAINT GEORGE

Reverend Dimitrios J. Antokas, Presiding Priest

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Dear Reverend Fathers, GOYAns, and Advisors,

On **October 17th and 18th, 2009** St. George Greek Orthodox Church of Bethesda Maryland invites you to participate in our **Eleventh Annual Bishop George Memorial Basketball Tournament**.

We will once again host the tournament at the Hoop Magic Sports Academy, an outstanding facility that we believe will make the events of the weekend most enjoyable. Saturday morning and afternoon will include registration, breakfast and lunch, basketball games, and dinner at: **Hoop Magic Sports Academy, 14810 Murdock St., Chantilly, VA 20151**

Saturday evening events will be held at **St. George Greek Orthodox Church (7701 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817)** and will consist of Vespers, the Orthodox Bible Bowl, and a dance. For those who will not be staying at the hotel, the locker rooms and showers at Hoop Magic Sports Academy will be available for use. The "**Orthodox Bible Bowl**" will once again be part of the tournament events. Enclosed you will find a brief description and information on ordering books for this event. In order for a GOYA to participate in the basketball tournament each church/GOYA is asked to submit a team of **7 representatives and 2 alternates** to participate in the Orthodox Bible Bowl. This is an excellent opportunity for non-player GOYAns to participate in this tournament and weekend of youth fellowship.

Sunday morning, we have arranged to hold **Divine Liturgy at Hoop Magic Sports Academy** for our participants to worship together. We encourage everyone to join us for Christian worship and fellowship. Sweats may be worn, but shorts are not permitted. Following the church service, we will remain at **Hoop Magic Sports Academy** for lunch, the championship games, and the conclusion of the weekend with an awards ceremony.

We are excited that we are able to accept 16 churches this year. This is, however, on a first-come first-serve basis. Team spots will be reserved based on receiving payment along with completed team registration forms. Please notify us immediately when your decision has been made. We can accommodate 4 or more teams per church.

Team Registration Fees:

BOYS A- \$150 GIRLS A- \$150 BOYS B- \$150 GIRLS B- \$150

Please fill out the enclosed form and attach your team registration payment in the self-addressed envelope provided. **We must receive team registration payment no later than September 20, 2009** to ensure your participation for the tournament.

Individual Registration:

BASKETBALL PLAYER: \$40.00

NONPLAYER (Only attending Saturday night events/spectator): \$10.00

Please be advised that upon arrival on Saturday morning the registration representatives will be accepting **only one check** (payable to: *St. George Greek Orthodox Church*) for the amount due for each church's players/participants "individual" registration fees.

Hotel Information:

HYATT PLACE- Dulles South
4994 Westone Plaza
Chantilly, VA 20151
703-961-8160

<http://www.dullesairportsouth.place.hyatt.com/>

When making your reservations, please indicate you are participants of "St. George Basketball Tournament."

The cost is \$84 per room plus 11% sales tax.

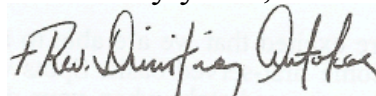
All rooms are non-smoking – a \$200 per day fee will be processed to the occupant's account if a guest smokes in the guestroom. Daily complimentary breakfast is offered in the hotel. **Please reserve your rooms as soon as possible. The cut off date is September 20, 2009.**

Contact Information:

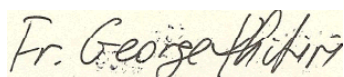
GOYA Tournament Coordinator: Melina Assimakopoulos-Cohen
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As the weekend of the tournament approaches, please check the web page (www.stgeorge.org) frequently for updated information. The web page will include registration requirements, rules and regulations, schedules, Bible Bowl information, and directions and other information. We sincerely thank you and look forward to seeing you October 17th and 18th, 2009!

Faithfully yours,



Rev. Dimitrios Antokas
Presiding Priest



Rev. George Khitiri
Associate Priest

Demetri Tzamaras
GOYA President '09-'10

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