

# *Celebrate*

with the World Alliance  
of Reformed Churches

THE 500TH  
ANNIVERSARY  
OF JOHN  
CALVIN'S  
BIRTH



GENEVA,  
SWITZERLAND

MAY 29 –  
JUNE 3, 2009

**Semper Reformanda**  
World Alliance of Reformed Churches



# Welcome

The year 2009 marks the 500th anniversary of the birth of John Calvin! It is a time for people from Reformed churches—and for all Christians—to celebrate the remarkable gifts this great Reformer shared with the world and to re-appropriate Calvin’s legacy for our day.



A special service of thanksgiving and celebration will be held in Calvin’s Cathedral in Geneva, St. Pierre, on Pentecost Sunday (May 31) in 2009. On the days immediately before and after this celebration worship, the World Alliance of Reformed Churches is inviting Christians from around the world to a variety of events to explore Calvin’s Geneva, to learn more about Calvin and his ministry, to reflect on Calvin’s legacy for our day, and to share how Calvin’s legacy is being lived out in our time through the World Alliance and its member churches all around the globe.

We hope that you will join us for the worship service on Pentecost Sunday and the events surrounding it that are described in this brochure. It will be a marvelous opportunity to share in this celebration and to reclaim the legacy of Calvin with his present day heirs from all around the world. I hope you can be with us!

Clifton Kirkpatrick  
President  
World Alliance of Reformed Churches



## *Schedule*

Friday, May 29	Arrive Geneva Opening Worship at the Auditoire de Calvin in the evening (Reception after the worship)
Saturday, May 30	Education Day Welcome to the Ecumenical Center Meet with the Executive Committee of the WARC Theme: Calvin's Legacy for the Reformed Movement in the 21st Century (A light lunch will be served)
Sunday, May 31	Worship and Celebration at the Cathedral of St. Pierre. Afternoon festivities at the Parc des Bastions and the Reformation Wall
Monday, June 1	Theme: Deeper into Calvin's Legacy, including a walking tour of Geneva and visits to the Museum of the Reformation and the Archaeological site at the Cathedral of St. Pierre. (Including lunch)
Tuesday, June 2	At the Ecumenical Center Theme: The Future of Calvin's Legacy through a Worldwide Communion (Including lunch) Farewell Banquet
Wednesday, June 3	Departure

## *Registration Fee*

US \$500.00 per person. Includes meals as listed in the program, walking tour of Geneva and entry to the Museum of the Reformation and the Cathedral of St. Pierre Archaeological site.

## *Accommodations*

WARC has reserved blocks of rooms at the Ibis Geneva Airport Hotel and the Ramada Hotel. WARC will make your room reservations according to your preference, but the cost of your room will be paid directly by you upon check-out from the hotel.

### **Hotel costs per night:**

Ibis Geneva Airport Hotel:  
CHF152.00 Monday through Thursday  
CHF119.00 Friday and Saturday  
Continental Breakfast: CHF 15.00/day

Ramada Hotel:  
Single Room: CHF195.00 + 3.60 tax  
Double Room: CHF230.00 + 3.60 tax  
The room rates include buffet breakfast, daily

**For more information, or to make reservations to join the Celebration, contact Kathy Reeves at [Katharine.reeves@pcusa.org](mailto:Katharine.reeves@pcusa.org) or 1-888-728-7228 ext. 5402.**

# *Request for a Registration Form for Calvin Jubilee Celebration*

*May 29–June 3, 2009*

*Geneva, Switzerland*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ No. of People \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Mail this form to:**

Mrs. Penny Blachut  
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1211 Geneva 2  
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For more information and to receive a registration form electronically, please e-mail Kathy Reeves, [Katharine.reeves@pcusa.org](mailto:Katharine.reeves@pcusa.org).

## *Come and Celebrate!*

- *Join the worship celebration on Pentecost*
- *Explore Calvin's ministry in Geneva*
- *Learn from Calvin's legacy*
- *Share how Calvin's legacy is alive today through WARC and its member churches*

## *About WARC*

The World Alliance of Reformed Churches (WARC) is a fellowship of 75 million Reformed Christians in 214 churches in 107 countries. Its member churches are Congregational, Presbyterian, Reformed and United churches with roots in the 16th-century Reformation led by John Calvin, John Knox and others. WARC has a small secretariat in Geneva, Switzerland.

The World Alliance of Reformed Churches (WARC) links more than 75 million Christians in about 100 countries around the world.

The gifts and talents of many peoples and cultures make the Alliance a dynamic international community.

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