

**Call for the Stated Annual Meeting
Presbytery of Santa Fe
October 21-22, 2017
Ghost Ranch, Abiquiu, New Mexico**

To: All Ruling Elder and Teaching Elder Commissioners
From: Stephen Rhoades, Stated Clerk
Re: **Stated Annual Meeting of Presbytery of Santa Fe**

A Stated Annual Meeting of the Presbytery of Santa Fe will be held at Ghost Ranch, Abiquiu, NM, October 21-22, 2017, starting at 9:00 AM. Please see the next pages for details on directions, housing, meals and child care.

Most papers for the meeting will be posted on the Presbytery website by the evening of October 12th. Please print them and bring them with you to the meeting or download them to your laptop. If, for some reason, you are not able to have access to the papers online, contact Sharon at the Presbytery office (505-345-5657 or 800-577-0964) and we will send you hard copies. Please note that there is limited access to Wi-Fi at Ghost Ranch, so you may not be able to access the papers online while you are there.

Absences. Excuses for Ministers, Commissioned Ruling Elders and Certified Christian Educators must be sent to the Stated Clerk before the meeting. Ruling Elder commissioners who are unable to attend are encouraged to pass their information on to the alternate commissioner(s) from their congregation.

New Business. Any new business brought to this meeting must be “submitted to the Stated Clerk, in writing, no later than 11:30 p.m. from the start of the Presbytery meeting” (Standing Rules). New business will be referred to the New Business Committee for consideration.

Meeting Highlights

- ❖ *Meeting the new Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs) and hearing their stories*
- ❖ *A time to learn about and tell “Our Story: Listening for God’s Word Among Us”*
- ❖ *Presentations by Director of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Laurie Kraus, and Mission Co-Workers to Eastern Europe & Russia, Ellen and Al Smith*
- ❖ *Introductions of some of our partners in ministry in the U.S. and around the world.*
- ❖ *Approval of Annual Reports and 2018 Budget*
- ❖ *We will take up an offering for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance*
- ❖ *Welcoming new ministers to the Presbytery and hearing their stories of faith*
- ❖ *Sharing times of Fellowship and Worship including the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper*
- ❖ *A Time of Remembrance of those ruling elders and teaching elders who have died in the past year*
- ❖ *Installation of the Moderator for 2018*
- ❖ *Planning for the 150th anniversary of the Presbytery of Santa Fe in 2018*
- ❖ *The opportunity to enjoy all of this in the beautiful part of God’s creation we call Ghost Ranch.*

Enclosed with this letter is a registration form for Room and Board and for child care. Please complete them and return them to the Presbytery office by October 10, 2017.

Thank you. I look forward to seeing you next month.

Stephen Rhoades,
Stated Clerk

PRESBYTERY OF SANTA FE
PRESBYTERY MEETING INFORMATION
Friday and Saturday, OCTOBER 21-22, 2017
Ghost Ranch, Abiquiu, NM

Please register for lunch and childcare using the enclosed registration form.

Registration deadline is October 10th 2017.

Registration and Fees

The registration form is enclosed with these materials. Please register for room, meals and child care. Registration for the full weekend (covers snacks, lunch and dinner on Friday and breakfast and lunch on Saturday plus your room) is \$115, if you register by October 10th. After October 10th, the cost is \$145. Please note that we are extremely short on rooms this year. We will only make accommodations for singles if we have enough rooms for everybody. **Make checks payable to Presbytery of Santa Fe and include the check with the registration form or you can pay at the registration table with check or cash (sorry no credit cards). Singles, if available are an extra \$50.**

If you will not want a room but will be eating meals the cost is \$10.00 for breakfast, \$12.00 for lunch, and \$14.00 for dinner payable at the time you register. If you only are having meals and not spending the night, we still need you to please register so that the kitchen staff can know how many to prepare for. Registration will take place outside of the Agape Center where we will have all of our meetings. **We will have a FEW rooms available on Friday night**, so please let me know if you want one on your registration form.

Child Care

If you will need child care during the meeting, please fill out the enclosed registration form to provide information to those who will be responsible for providing this care. A registration fee of \$20 per child is requested to help defray cost. If you have children in the room, there is a charge for the first two people at the \$115 rate and the others just have to pay for meals.

Offering

The offering at this presbytery meeting will go to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Docket, Reports, Requested Actions and other papers for the Meeting

Reports for the meeting will be posted on the Presbytery web site by the evening of October 12th.

Housing

Overnight facilities at Ghost Ranch can be a bit rustic and may include bathrooms located away from your sleeping room. Individual registrants will be housed with others (same gender, of course) to maximize utilization of the limited space for our large group. A great time to make new friends! If you have special housing needs or roommate preferences please list them on the registration form. A few rooms will be available for Friday night if you want to come early!

Dress Code

The dress code at Ghost Ranch is casual. Wear something comfortable and definitely bring comfortable shoes since you will be doing quite a bit of walking. The temperature can vary quite a bit. We may have gloriously warm days and cool evenings or we may have snow. So, bring layers so you can be comfortable.

Communications

Cell phones do not always work at Ghost Ranch and Internet is limited. You can give family and friends the 1-877-804-4678 number in case of an emergency or you can bring a phone card and use the phones by the Welcome Center, Library, Cafeteria or in various other places.

Special Needs

Please indicate on the registration form if you have any special needs, such as food allergies. Also indicate if you need a handicapped accessible room. Golf carts (limited number) are available for a rental fee of \$20 per day.

Check-In and Check-Out

Check-in to the rooms is at 3:00 p.m. If you need an earlier check-in please let us know and we will try to arrange it. Check-out is at 10:00 a.m. **When you leave your room in the morning, please pull the sheets and towels and place them in a pillowcase outside your door.**

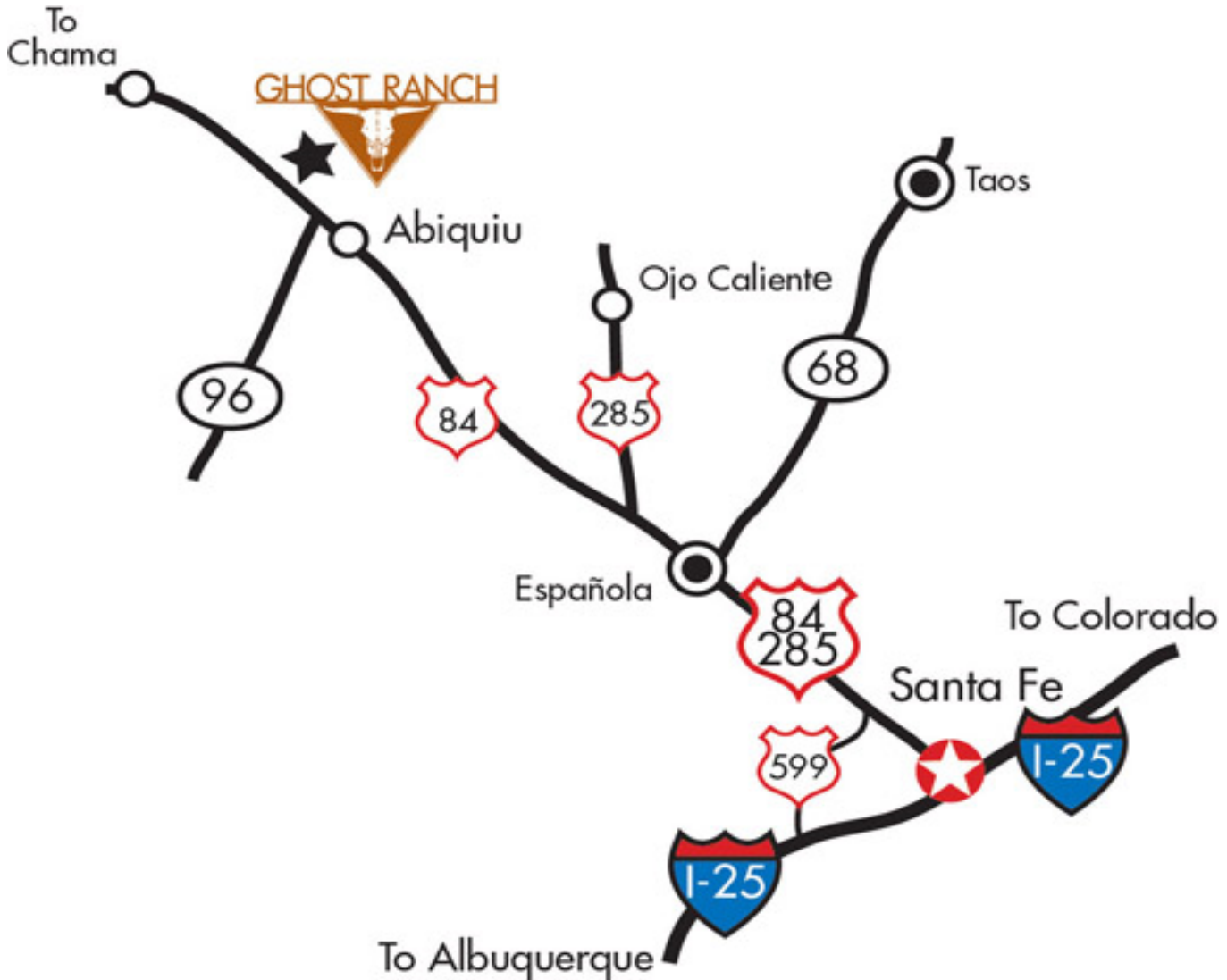
New Commissioner Orientation

8:30 to 8:50 AM Saturday morning in the Agape Gathering Center.

Directions to Ghost Ranch

Please carpool to be good stewards of our resources.

Ghost Ranch Abiquiu campus is located 65 miles northwest of Santa Fe, (40 miles beyond Española) on U.S. 84. Once in Española continue through town to the Fairview/Riverside intersection (Walgreen's and Bank of America are at the corners). Turn left on Fairview and cross the river; then turn right on Paseo de Oñate (U.S. 84). Once on Highway 84, watch for the Ghost Ranch sign at the entrance gate between mileposts 224 and 225 (approximately 13 miles from Bode's Store in Abiquiu).



Questions?

The phone number in Albuquerque is 505-345-5657 or from outside Albuquerque (800) 577-0964. My email address is: statedclerk@santafepresbytery.org. Questions can also be directed to Sharon Yates at the presbytery office, admin@santafepresbytery.org.

We all look forward to seeing you at this very full and important meeting of our Presbytery.

Stephen Rhoades, *Stated Clerk*
Presbytery of Santa Fe
217 Locust St. NE
Albuquerque, NM 87102-3633

PRESBYTERY OF SANTA FE STATED ANNUAL MEETING
Ghost Ranch, Abiquiu, NM, October 21-22, 2017

(Please print) NAME _____ PHONE _____

CHURCH _____

ROOM & MEAL RESERVATIONS

Please reserve room(s) for the following person/people (Please use a separate form for each person unless you are registering family members):

Double Room with meals ____ \$115 (each person) by 10/10 ____ Late Registration \$145 after 10/10

Roommate Request: _____

Single Room with meals (only if we have availability) ____ \$165 by 10/10 _____ Late Registration
\$195 after 10/10

Room and breakfast for Friday night ____ \$85 (each person) by 10/10

MEALS ONLY RESERVATION (Don't pay for individual meals if you are spending the night)

Saturday, lunch _____ at \$12.00 = _____

Saturday, dinner _____ at \$14.00 = _____

Sunday, breakfast _____ at \$10.00 = _____

Sunday, lunch _____ at \$12.00 = _____

All Meals _____ at \$48.00 = _____

TOTAL enclosed for meals and rooms _____

Special Food Needs or Allergies _____

Special Room Needs (handicapped accessible, etc.) _____

Need for a Golf Cart (extra \$20 per day charge applies) _____

CHILD CARE REGISTRATION

Child care will be provided for those attending the Presbytery meeting only. Parents must be on site at all times. To help defray the cost of child care, there will be a **\$20.00 per child registration fee that must be included with this reservation form (make checks payable to Presbytery of Santa Fe)**. Child care will be provided only to those making reservations and reservations will not be accepted after the deadline, so fill out and return this form **no later than October 10th**

NAME OF CHILD /CHILDREN	AGE	GENDER

WHAT TO BRING: Snacks, special toys, blankets, etc., as these items may not be available. **NOTE:** *You will need to pickup your **child/children from child care during mealtime. If you will need meals for children, please include them in your Meal Reservation Form.***

AMOUNT ENCLOSED FOR CHILD CARE \$ _____

Please return this reservation form by October 10, 2017 to:

PRESBYTERY OF SANTA FE

217 Locust St. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87102

FAX to 505-345-6563 or e-mail to admin@santafepresbytery.org

It is OK to email the information and not fill out the form