

**2024 Annual Gathering Schedule (rev. 7/18/24)
Plaza Hotel, 1 S Main St., Las Vegas, NV 89101**

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

Time	Event	Location
11:00am	Registration Opens	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
1:00pm	NLSEB meeting	Boulder Studio A
5:00pm	Dinner	On your own-see list of 2024 Annual Gathering Restaurant Recommendations under Binder/Welcome (Tab 1)

Thursday, July 25, 2024

Time	Event	Location
7:30am	Breakfast	On your own-see list of 2024 Annual Gathering Restaurant Recommendations under Binder/Welcome (Tab 1)
8:30am	Break	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
8:45am	Anointing/commissioning HC team - Rev. G. Karl Gaston	Sierra Ballroom
9:00am	Registration Check-In	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
12:00pm	Lunch	Sierra Ballroom
1:00pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
1:15pm	Orientation for 1 st Time Attendees by Jane Winge	Sierra Ballroom 8
	Photo of 1 st timers	Sierra Ballroom 8
1:45pm	Keynote: Dr. Mark Wickstrom	Sierra Ballroom
2:30pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
2:45pm	Opening Worship	Sierra Ballroom
3:45pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby

Thursday, July 25, 2024 (continued)

Time	Event	Location
4:15pm	Business Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Welcome/Thrivent sponsor ● Opening prayer ● Seating of the Delegates ● Commissioning/Response/Blessing of Delegates by Rev. Karl Gaston ● Call to order ● Board Member Introductions ● Explanation of Election Process and Positions available ● Floor Nominations for NLS Executive Committee ● Nominee introductions ● SD scholarship committee volunteer request ● Financial presentation ● Announcements ● Closing prayer ● Recess until Saturday 	Sierra Ballroom
4:15pm	Palanca Project Workshop Opens with Jeanine Johnson Posters for upcoming weekends	Sierra Ballroom side 11 Sign 2 posters per Secretariat
5:15pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
5:30pm	Dinner	Sierra Ballroom
6:30pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
6:45pm	Introductions of NLS Nominees and Q&A Session led by Brian Schwarz	Sierra Ballroom
7:15pm	Evening Worship	Sierra Ballroom
8:00pm	Fellowship: Free time/music jam	Fremont Street Experience option

Friday, July 26, 2024

Time	Event	Location
7:30am	Breakfast	Sierra Ballroom
8:30am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
8:45am	Morning Prayer Service	Sierra Ballroom
9:15am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
9:30am	EOI Choices (Exchange of Ideas): 1. Lay Director Roundtable with Brian Comeno 2. SD Roundtable with Rev. Karl Gaston 3. RC Roundtable with Karen Weires 4. Future Hosting of Annual Gathering with Jane Winge 5. Financial Roundtable with Steve Barnett 6. What to Know as a Secretariat with Carolyn Witham	Sierra Ballroom 8 Sierra Ballroom 9 Sierra Ballroom 3 Sierra Ballroom 5 Boulder Studio A Sierra Ballroom 4
10:15am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
10:30am	Forum 1: Marty Harpster	Sierra Ballroom
11:00am	Small Group Discussion	Sierra Ballroom
11:30am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
11:45am	Lunch	Sierra Ballroom
12:45pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby

Friday, July 26, 2024 (continued)

Time	Event	Location
1:00pm	EOI Sessions (Exchange of Ideas) 1. Enhancing Music with Albert Weiss & Brian Comeno (2A) 2. Powerful Palanca by Kim Brownlow, NLS Palanca Coordinator (7A) 3. How We Started a Secretariat by Jeanette Jensen and John Jensen 4. How to Move From Paper to Digital by Dave Leverenz (4A) 5. Team Training by Eric Nicholaus (5A) 6. Using Technology by Amanda Hunter (6A)	Sierra Ballroom Sierra Ballroom 3 Sierra Ballroom 5 Boulder Studio A Sierra Ballroom 9 Sierra Ballroom 8
1:45pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
2:00pm	Forum 2: Spiritual Director Panel with -Rev. G. Karl Gaston, moderator -Tracy Schmidlin -Ken Larson -Sara Jones	Sierra Ballroom
2:45pm	Small Group Discussion	Sierra Ballroom
3:15pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
3:30pm	NLS Secretariat Town Hall	Sierra Ballroom 8
4:15pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
4:30pm	Dinner	Sierra Ballroom
5:30pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
5:45pm	Regional Meeting #1 Region 1 – Marcia Newman Region 2 – Brenda Brown Region 3 – Jerry Gray Region 4 – Pam Gross Region 5- BobbieJo Koski Region 6 – Bob Lewis Region 7 – Sylvia Meister	Sierra Ballroom 8 Sierra Ballroom 9 Sierra Ballroom 2 Sierra Ballroom 3 Sierra Ballroom 4 Boulder Studio A Sierra Ballroom 5
6:30pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby

6:45pm	Evening Worship/Healing Service/Communion/ 5 th Day Remembrance	Sierra Ballroom
8:30pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
8:45pm	Fellowship: Free time/music jam	Fremont Street Experience option

Saturday, July 27, 2024

Time	Event	Location
7:30am	Breakfast	Sierra Ballroom
8:30am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
8:45am	Morning Worship/Communion Offering - Outreach	Sierra Ballroom
9:45am	Group photo (wear Annual Gathering t-shirts)	Sierra Ballroom
10:15am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
10:30am	Forum 3: Overview of Hebrews 12:1-2 with Jeff Gordon, RN	Sierra Ballroom
11:15am	Small Group Discussion	Sierra Ballroom
11:45am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
12:00pm	Lunch	Sierra Ballroom
1:00pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
1:15pm	EOI Sessions (Exchange of Ideas) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhancing Music with Albert Weiss & Brian Comeno (2B) 2. Poo Talk by Rev. Steven Kalas 3. Sponsorship/Strengthening the 4th Day by Marty Harpster (7A) 4. VdC as an Ecumenical Movement by Rev. G. Karl Gaston 5. Getting Youth Engaged by Rev. Katie Langston (8A) 6. Using Technology by Amanda Hunter (6B) 7. Powerful Palanca by Kim Brownlow, NLS Palanca Coordinator (7B) 	Sierra Ballroom Sierra Ballroom 8 Sierra Ballroom 4 Sierra Ballroom 5 Sierra Ballroom 9 Boulder Studio A Sierra Ballroom 3
2:00pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	*Remember to complete and submit your Annual Gathering Evaluation to be entered into the raffle Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby

Saturday, July 27, 2024 (continued)

Time	Event	Location
2:15pm	Business Meeting - Continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Call to Order ● Opening Prayer ● Election of Executive Committee ● Survey Raffle Prize Explanation ● Approval of 2024-2025 budget ● State of VdC Presentation ● 2025 NLS Annual Gathering Host Committee Presentation ● Election Results ● Welcome New Executive Committee Members ● Announcements ● Closing Prayer ● Adjourn 	Sierra Ballroom 8
2:15pm	Palanca Project Workshop Opens with Jeanine Johnson Posters for upcoming weekends	Sierra Ballroom side 11 Sign 2 posters per Secretariat
3:30pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
3:45pm	Regional Meeting #2 Region 1 – Marcia Newman Region 2 – Brenda Brown Region 3 – Jerry Gray Region 4 – Pam Gross Region 5- BobbieJo Koski Region 6 – Bob Lewis Region 7 – Sylvia Meister	Sierra Ballroom 8 Sierra Ballroom 9 Sierra Ballroom 2 Sierra Ballroom 3 Sierra Ballroom 4 Boulder Studio A Sierra Ballroom 5
4:45pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
5:00pm	EC meet with 2024 & 2025 AG Host Committees	Boulder Studio A

Saturday, July 27, 2024 (continued)

Time	Event	Location
6:00pm	Agape Dinner/Serenade	Sierra Ballroom
7:00pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
7:30pm	Evening Worship/concert Fund Raiser AG2025	Sierra Ballroom
9:00pm	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
9:15pm approx.	Fellowship: Free time/music jam	Fremont Street Experience option

Sunday, July 28, 2024

Time	Event	Location
7:30am	Breakfast	Sierra Ballroom
8:30am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
8:45am	Closing Worship/communion Anointing/Installation of new NLS Executive Committee	Sierra Ballroom
9:45am	Break/post announcements & schedule	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
10:00am	Check Out	Sierra Ballroom 10 & 11 Lobby
10:30am	NLSEC Secretariat Meeting (former & new Executive Committee members)	Boulder Studio A