



Welcome to Charlotte and the 2025 National Lutheran Secretariat Annual Gathering! We are glad you are here and know that you will reconnect with many Via de Cristo friends and make new ones as well!

On behalf of the Host Committee (HC) Registration Team, we would like to provide you with check-in and check-out information. The Lord's 2025 Annual Gathering will be housed on the campus of Queens University of Charlotte in the Barnhardt (2328 Wellesley Avenue, Charlotte, NC 28274, #29 on the Campus map) and Hayes (1900 Selwyn Avenue, #6 on the Campus map) Residence Halls. Our worship services, meetings, and dining will use other facilities on the Campus.

If you have any questions either before the Gathering, or during, please ask for help! We are here to serve you and provide you with a comfortable environment. You may also call or text anytime, day or night, during the Gathering and we will assist you.

For Pre-Gathering Questions or Needs – Please email 2025ag@wncvdc.org or call Amy Thiemann, HC Registration Team Lead at 908-892-8492.

For Questions or Concerns During the Gathering – Please visit the Registration table located in the lobby of Barnhardt Residence Hall or contact David Deeds, Tara Trexler, or John Mark Trexler, the HC Co-Chairs.

Check In Procedure

Beginning Wednesday, check-in will take place in the lobby of Barnhardt Residence Hall. Please use Barnhardt's main entrance located in the center of the Wellesley Avenue side of the building. There will be signs guiding you to this entrance. If you are being dropped off by the HC transportation team, you will be met by our HC staff. They will greet you outside and assist you with your luggage. If you are arriving in your own vehicle, please park (temporarily) at the Withers House parking lot (at 2025 Selwyn Avenue, Charlotte, NC 28207, #30 on the Campus map) and walk across the Selwyn Avenue/Wellesley Avenue intersection to the Barnhardt entrance on Wellesley Avenue. Bring your driver's license and license plate number with you to receive your parking pass.

Once at Barnhardt, please make your way to the registration table inside the lobby. You will provide your name to one of our staff and they will check you in and provide you with your room key, ID card, parking pass (and directions to your assigned parking lot), and internet access information. Take care of your room key and ID card during your stay. You will be charged for any lost keys or ID cards upon checkout.

After you have registered, return to your car at the Withers House parking lot and drop off your luggage at Barnhardt Residence Hall as you proceed to your assigned parking lot. The HC staff will have your luggage inside the Barnhardt lobby awaiting your return. (If you are arriving any time BEFORE Wednesday, July 23rd, please come to the Barnhardt Residence Hall after 11:00 a.m. on July 23rd to begin the registration process.)

As you pack for your trip to Charlotte, remember to include your medications and toiletries. We will have spare toiletries available if you leave something at home. Please remember to bring the completed Emergency Medical form and Photo release form with you, which are on the Home page of the Annual Gathering website (<https://annualgathering.viadechristo.org/>). We will also have these forms available for you to complete at the registration table.

Sunday Check Out Procedure

On Sunday morning, please be packed and ready to vacate your room by 11:00 a.m. Closing worship begins at 8:30 a.m.; so you will have some time after the service to go back one last time to secure everything. Do not check out until you have completely moved out of your dorm room. Ensure that you return your room key and ID card to avoid replacement charges.

Once you have checked out, you are free to leave if you would like, or remain in the Barnhardt lobby until you are taken to the airport, if you are flying out. The last HC transportation trips to the airport will leave Queens University at NOON.

Come Holy Spirit and transform us by the renewing of our minds!

God loves you and so do we!

Amy Thiemann and the HC Registration Team