

ACFUSA, Inc.
2007 Biennial National Conference Report

The 2007 National Conference took place on June 30 through July 3, 2007 at Washington Dulles Airport Hilton, Herndon, Virginia. The conference was a success; to God be the glory! From the registration to the program agenda, every featured event was in tune with the conference theme: “*Passing the Legacy*”. The conference also marked the 30th year of the organization’s existence. Highlights of the conference include the parade of African nations’ flags; launching of the ACF Membership/Business Directory and the ACF Endowment Fund. The event was ended with the Banquet where the new ACFUSA Board was inaugurated. The sweet fellowship of the brethren was like an icing on the cake.

The conference theme was acted out in a skit where the elderly father (*character played by Joseph Akanji*), passed on the legacy to his children. At the banquet, the Chairman of the Board, Joseph Richardson, lit the candles of the Young Adults Board members signifying a right of passage into adulthood. Background music, “Carry your candle, go light the world,” by Chris Rice played during the ceremony. Several challenging topics were aired by the speakers. Among them were “Economic Empowerment of our Children” by the keynote speaker, Pastor Thomas Jenkins, and “Living Legacy or Death Plan, Which One Do You Have?” by Jeffery Glazer and Micky Knaub. The banquet speakers, Dr. Coleman Obasaju and Ms. Eliada Wosu, delivered powerful messages to challenge the organization towards attainment of future endeavors for our offspring. All other conference topics including the entire program are available on the conference website – www.acfusa.org.

The 2007 National Conference made history in a lot of ways, thus signifying how far ACFUSA has come and how much the organization has become of age. The conference was the first ACF conference chaired by a woman (Mrs. Joy Akanji); it featured the first Young Adult banquet speaker (Eliada Wosu); conference registration was at its best; conference program and membership directories were designed and printed internally. There were 670 attendees - 320 adults, 226 youths/young adults and 124 children. Some attendees came as far away as Taiwan, South Africa and Rwanda.

The ACFUSA Board of Directors expresses its heartfelt gratitude to the members of the planning committees for their efforts and to everyone who participated in ensuring the success of this historical event. The Lord is not unjust to forget their labor of love.

To order your copy of the conference products (CDs, DVDs, Membership/Business Directories), visit www.acfusa.org 2007 Conference site.

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