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*This email has been sent to everyone who will participate in our **online** GFM National Staff Conference. – Lorrey Thabet*

Dear Colleagues,

We look forward to welcoming you to our online conference in a little over a week! Please check out the welcome video below!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eiZ7RnF998Y>

We realize how tricky it can be to step away from home and campus and are praying for you as you take all the steps necessary to join us. Attached you will find **our schedule**. You'll notice plenary sessions and small groups as well as less formal spaces for prayer and connecting. You'll access everything through one zoom link that will be sent out early next week. During small groups, you'll enter the zoom room at the designated time and be sent to a breakout room. Refer to the **attached spreadsheet** to see the small group time you chose when you registered. If you need to attend the other small group time instead, you are welcome to do so.

Our plenary sessions will include times of worship, learning from Robert Chao Romero, and small group discussions. We've designed them to foster an online learning community. Our experience will be richer if everyone participates together and we hope you are able to do so! However, if something happens and you're not able to attend live, the plenary sessions will be posted on the **conference website** so you can watch them later.

Bible study materials (the John passages and Bible study questions) are attached and available on the **conference website**. Please **complete the study of John 3:1 – 21 on or before Tuesday, March 22**. The 2nd & 3rd studies will be done with your small group on Wednesday and Thursday.

We're excited to see how the Lord will meet us as we draw closer to God and one another next week!

See you soon!

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