

Top 10 Tips for Delegates at the 204^{th} Annual Convention

Submitted for your consideration, the following are the top ten tips gathered to make your life easier and your time at Convention more enjoyable:

- 1. Election as a lay delegate or ordination to the diaconate or priesthood is your qualification to participate fully. Don't be shy to come to a microphone and participate.
- 2. If you intend to offer a late resolution or a floor nomination, be prepared on Friday morning to bring a memory stick to Convention with the text in Microsoft Word format and hand it to the Secretary on the dais.
- 3. If you want to change the text of a resolution, attend its committee hearing on Friday afternoon and propose your change there.
- 4. Take advantage of all the worship offered at Convention. Besides joining in the Spirit, you may find something new in the liturgies that you like or something old that you cherish.
- 5. Visit our exhibitors when you have a free moment.
- 6. When proposing an amendment to a resolution on Saturday, bring your proposed textual change to the dais if the change is anything beyond one word (adding, deleting or substituting).
- 7. Always introduce yourself by name, congregation and city when speaking at a microphone.
- 8. Silence the ringer on your mobile phone, please, and make telephone calls from the foyer of the convention hall.
- 9. Follow instructions when marking ballots. No "hanging chads".
- 10. Enjoy the experience. Have fun! It's a full couple of days, but your energy, time and talents are vital.