

THEME: BE.LI.EV.E

BE a friend of Jesus. Live the way of Jesus. EVangelize in the name of Jesus. Look to enter into Eternal life.

19TH CFC-FFL USA NATIONAL CONFERENCE
August 2, 3 & 4, 2013 @ Melville Marriott – Long Island, NY

EVENT: THANKSGIVING PRAISE PARADE

OBJECTIVES:

1. To praise and thank the Lord for this gathering of brothers and sisters for the 19th CFC-FFL USA National Conference.
2. For each State to be acknowledged and welcomed into the Conference.
3. For each State to have an opportunity to welcome brothers and sisters to the Conference.
4. To foster unity, creativity and fun in representing their State.
5. To share the culture and bounty of their respective area.

OVERVIEW:

On Friday evening, August 2, 2013, the Thanksgiving Praise Parade will be one of the highlights of the 19th CFC-FFL National Conference. This parade depicts a long-standing New York tradition, the world-renowned Macy's Thanksgiving Parade, which started in 1924.

FLOW:

1. The Thanksgiving Praise Parade takes place on Friday evening of the Conference to usher in the spirit of praise to God, celebration, and brotherhood.
2. The procession consists of all CFC-FFL state participants attending the New York conference, arranged alphabetically.
3. Each State's Parade Participants will walk through the stage with their State Banner and Harvest. Each State will be allotted a maximum of 45 seconds to (a) be introduced with a brief narrative; (b) enter the stage (c) creatively show their banner and harvest (d) exit the stage.
4. Each State will provide a brief narrative (not to exceed 30 seconds). Suggested thoughts to include in narrative:
 - a. What makes your State a work of wonder?

TAGLINE: "FAITH WORKS WONDERS"

"Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father." (John 14:12)

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- b. Pick a bible verse or a bible story where faith in God resulted in an extraordinary outcome. Briefly describe how your State relates to this verse or story.
5. Each State banner will be installed in a designated area for display throughout the conference.
6. Harvest offerings will be directed to the Harvest Table for sharing at the end of the Program.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Parade Representative. Each State should have one (1) Parade Representative. Please submit the name, telephone number and email to the Thanksgiving Parade Contact below for coordination purposes.
2. Parade Participants. Each State should have parade participants to represent their State in the procession, go on stage, carry the Banner and Harvest (if any).
3. State Banner. Each State is required to have one (1) banner which will be automatically entered in the Banner Competition.
 - a. Banner Size: 3 feet (width) x 5 feet (height) – portrait style
 - b. Banner Material: It is recommended to use cloth, canvass, vinyl or any strong and light weight material that is not easily ripped.
 - c. Hole & Grommet: Each banner should have a hole on each corner, with a grommet (a ring of metal or plastic that protects the hole), for the purpose of securing the banner when fastened for displayed.
 - d. Banner Judging Criteria

i. Originality	35%
ii. Creativity	30%
iii. Relevance to the Theme and Tagline	35%
4. Harvest. Each State is requested to bring a small quantity of tokens or produce (bite-sized if edible) specifically identified with their State for sharing.
5. Uniform/Costume. It is recommended that each State, especially the Parade Participants wear their State or regional t-shirts or be in costume.

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