

CONVO 2011 PUERTO VALLARTA FACT SHEET



Join your fellow Religious Science ministers and “significantants”
on Banderas Bay in Puerto Vallarta
at the sun-drenched, luxury 5-star *Krystal Hotel and Resort*
-- an all-time favorite location for Convocation!

Monday, April 4 – Saturday, April 9, 2011
THEME: “*In the Shade of Spirit*”

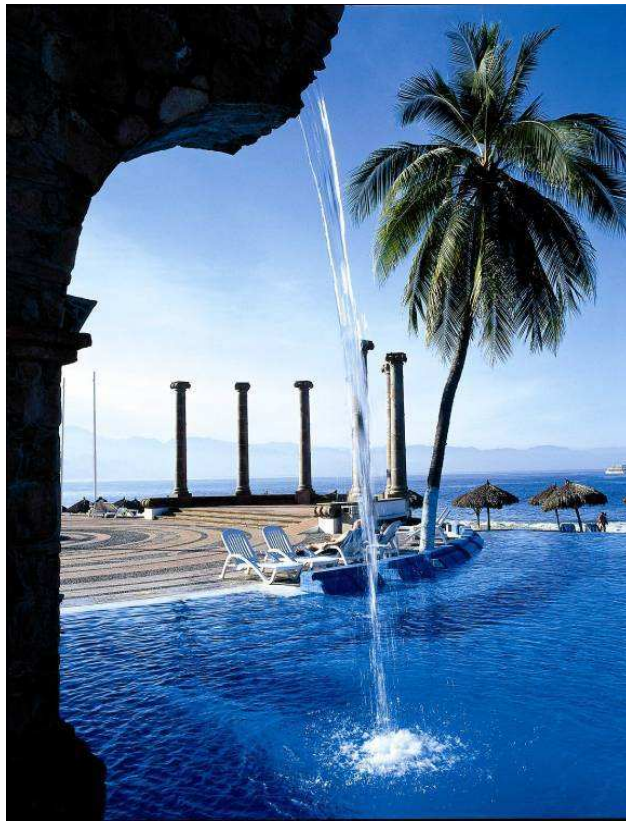


IN THE SHADE OF SPIRIT!

Warm sun, soothing water The warming light of Spirit, the soothing balm of friendship Bring your spouse/partner/significant-other to the *Krystal Hotel and Resort* in Puerto Vallarta to rejuvenate and enter deeply into the shade of Spirit. This premier 5-star resort is an *all-time favorite* location for Convocation! Many of you have stayed at *The Krystal* on past Convocations and can attest to her charms!

Most particularly, *The Krystal*, which exudes the warm ambiance of old Mexico, with acres of lush tropical gardens, cobblestone paths and bubbling fountains and set on a pristine beach, is a perfect setting for connection and relaxation. Spend as much time as you wish with your cherished colleagues and friends while dining casually over a sumptuous “*all-inclusive*” meal plan to include non-alcoholic as well as alcoholic beverages at no additional cost, or pull up a chair under a palm tree and hang out an imaginary “*do not disturb*” sign! Unwind. . . . relax revel **enjoy!**

THE PROPERTY . . . AH!

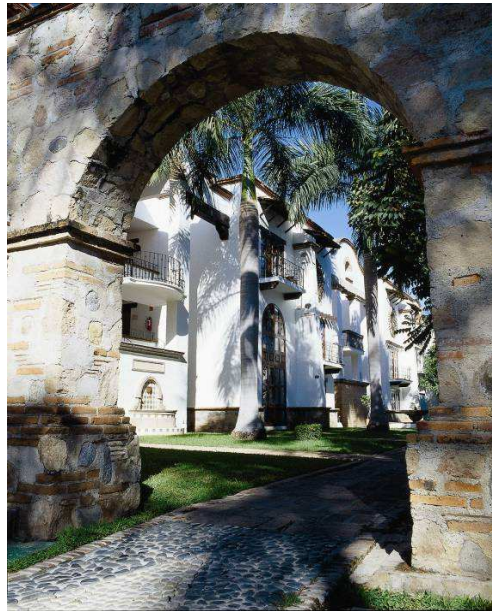


The *Krystal Hotel and Resort* is a 25-acre hacienda style property with 2.5 miles of beachfront sand located on the famous Banderas Bay in Puerto Vallarta. The resort, 3km from the charming old town of Puerto Vallarta, boasts Colonial architecture, cobblestone streets, Mexican aqueducts, three large pools (some with swim-up bars) and over 40 bubbling fountains. Any stress will float away the moment you step into the spacious lobby, featuring its own fountain and cupola-style ceiling. With a unique and charming atmosphere and extraordinary service, you will truly experience the sensation of being in a real Mexican hacienda.

SPECIAL RESORT FEATURES

- 3 outdoor pools with 2 swim-up pool bars; 6 Jacuzzis
- Gym with air conditioning
- Full service Spa and Salon with jacuzzis and steam rooms; massages available (for a fee)
- Tennis and racquetball courts; beach volleyball court
- Water sports available
- *Christine Nightclub* "no cover" charge (but drinks at your cost)
- 7 Restaurants and bars
- Gift shop
- Laundry and dry cleaning service
- Wi-Fi in 80% of the resort
- Spacious meeting rooms for *Convo* activities and program
- One bottle of water in the room daily, per person
- Recreational activities during the day

LODGING



For *Convo* participants, there are two wonderful lodging choices at the *Krystal Vallarta* which **include special group amenities exclusively for *Convo* ministers and guests --** the popular Aqueduct section, surrounded by lush gardens, or the brand-new ocean-view Grand Towers. Included amenities are based on a minimum of 35 rooms occupied by *Convo* ministers/guests during conference dates. Room types/shares are subject to availability.

WHAT'S INCLUDED WITH YOUR CONVO RESORT PACKAGE

Participants in *Convo 2011* will receive incredible value:

- **Deluxe Accommodations!**
- **All meals in designated award-winning on-site restaurants/lounges!**

- Complimentary use of the health club!
- Maid Gratuities and Portage!
- All taxes, service charges and gratuities on inclusions!
- Domestic drinks, e.g. *Rum Barcardi Blanco, Vodka Oso Negro, Cuervo Especial Tequila, Kahlua, Margaritas, Blan de Blanc Wine, Cabernet Sauvignon Domeco; Corona y Pacifico Beer*, as well as “virgin” tropical drinks, from 11:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. daily!
- Special group amenities that are being kept a surprise!!

WHAT’S NOT INCLUDED

Airfare to/from your gateway city to Puerto Vallarta; transfers to/from airport/resort; items of a personal nature such as massage; non-domestic brands of beverages; alcoholic beverages served outside operational hours; drinks from the servi-bar, room service or Christine Club; some food and beverages at non-designated “all-inclusive” venues on site, including *Crazy Crab Snack Shack and Le Caffe Lobby Coffee Bar*, and comprehensive travel protection insurance (please contact Rautenstraus Travel, Inc. for policy information.)

CONFERENCE LODGING RATES



Example of a newly refurbished Aqueduct Section room

Aqueduct Rooms – 483 sq. feet featuring a king size bed or two double beds. Recently renovated, these peaceful and spacious rooms offer authentic Mexican flavor. Surrounded by the lush gardens of the Aqueduct Section, guests enjoy the tranquility with a real aqueduct fountain flowing into the area’s pool. All rooms include mini bar, iron and ironing board, safe deposit box, on command television, alarm clock, hair dryer, vanity mirror, direct dial phone, and air conditioning. Most garden level rooms have an open patio with chairs. Most upper level rooms have a balcony with chairs. (Note: Aqueduct section rooms are past *Convo* favorites, because they look out on a beautiful courtyard and the resort guests. Picture palm leaves blowing in the wind, a view you will enjoy from either your garden or upper-level aqueduct section room!)

***\$575 per person, based on double occupancy; \$845 single occupancy**

* for 5-nights (April 4-9, 2011) Aqueduct Section room, all meals, drinks, and taxes. Special conference pricing for an additional three nights before and after, "all-inclusive," depending on availability and contract dates: \$85 per person, based on double, per night; \$139 single, per night.



Example of a Grand Tower Oceanview Room

Grand Towers Oceanview – 431 sq feet. Opened in January 2009, these oceanview rooms feature one king bed or two double beds; marble floors, flat screen LCD TVs, fluffy white duvets accented by splashes of tropical pillows and dark wood furniture, modern bathrooms with rain showers, and private balconies overlooking the peaceful Banderas Bay. All rooms include mini bar, safe deposit box, iron and ironing board, alarm clock, hair dryer, vanity mirror, on command television, direct dial phone, and air conditioning.

***\$675 per person, based on double occupancy; \$1045 single occupancy**

*for 5-nights (April 4-9, 2011) Grand Towers oceanview lodging, meals, drinks, and taxes. Special conference pricing for an additional three nights before and after, "all-inclusive," depending on availability and contract dates:
\$105 per person, based on double, per night; \$179 single, per night.

DINING

Enjoy the mouth-watering "all inclusive" meal plan at *The Krystal Hotel and Resort* in 2011 where ***meals and drinks are included at designated on-site restaurants/lounges!*** Vegetarians and non-vegetarians alike will revel in the exceptional cuisine! Enjoy a delicious breakfast and lunch buffet at the outdoor thatched-roof *Las Velas Restaurant*, located seaside on Banderas Bay. Be sure and sample some amazing fresh mango or fresh seafood! Dinner choices include *Las Velas; Kamakura Sushi Bar and Grill* (Japanese cuisine ordered off a menu with 24-hour advance reservation notification required), located in the peaceful Aqueduct area; and *La Trattoria Restaurant*, located in beautiful garden surroundings, and featuring unforgettable Italian recipes served buffet style. Other on-site food and beverage venues not included in the "all-inclusive" plan: *Crazy Crab Snack Bar* for sandwiches, hamburgers, snacks and invigorating drinks; *Sports Bar* to watch your favorite sports game on TV or indulge in a round of pool; or *Le Caffe Lobby Coffee Bar* for your favorite coffee drink. **Note: there will be some special Convo group meals planned with locations/times TBA.**

SPA

The Krystal's full service spa opened in January 2009, and features private men's and women's jacuzzis and steam rooms, a tranquil solarium with relaxing fountain, and a separate beauty salon. Pamper yourself with a relaxing massage or special treatment, accented by aromatherapy and music, so you can truly experience heavenly moments!

PAYMENT INFORMATION/TIMELINE

Full payment is due at the time of booking. Once registered with Rautenstrauss Travel, Inc., *Convo 2011* participants will receive a billing invoice and a client information sheet, which requests important travel-related data about the traveler (We already have this data on file for those who attended *Convo 2010* aboard the *Emerald Princess*).

Members may make payments by check payable to Rautenstrauss Travel, Inc., or credit card through PayPal on Rautenstrauss Travel's secure web-site. Credit card payments will be subject to a 3.6% merchant fee levied by PayPal. Insufficient funds checks will be subject to a \$50 fee.

ABOUT PUERTO VALLARTA

Puerto Vallarta has often been called the "*Soul of Mexico*." In this charming coastal city, you will be able to experience the perfect harmony between natural beauty and the authentic traditions of a typical Mexican town, complete with cobblestone streets, whitewashed buildings, red spanish tile roofs, and a brilliant profusion of flowers everywhere! Tropical-forested mountains and mineral-rich volcanic slopes appear to literally rise from the sea and 100 miles of mountain-ringed golden coastline hugs the stunningly beautiful Bay of Banderas, the country's broadest and deepest natural bay. Take an eco-tour in your free-time, walk through sleepy fishing villages nearby, including the location where actors Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton romanced one other on Mismaloya Bay while filming "*Night of the Iguana*," shop in the old town for "treasures," or snorkel in a blue bay. In addition to the beauty of this spectacular setting, the inherent warmth and friendliness of the locals have attracted a lively expatriate community of Americans, Canadians, and Europeans, and commerce and tourism has grown expeditiously through the years. Fortunately though, the town has retained its quaint charm, symbolized by the landmark *Church of Guadalupe*, located in the picturesque main plaza. All of this beauty -- and more -- awaits in Puerto Vallarta! Please note that *The Krystal Hotel and Resort* is 3km from the old town.

DOCUMENTATION IN MEXICO

For United States citizens, a valid passport or passport card, with expiration at least six months beyond your return from Puerto Vallarta, is required for this itinerary.

AIRFARE

Convo 2011 room rates do not include airfare. For assistance with your airfare, please contact Rautenstrauss Travel, Inc. **For faster service, please e-mail RautenstraussTravel@comcast.net with detailed trip information, including your departure city, preferred dates and times of travel, your legal name, and best times to reach you (including your phone and e-mail contacts).** Rates and availability are subject to change until ticketed and paid in full. There is a \$50 processing fee for tickets issued; or below is the information to secure your own airfare:

Arrival: Please arrive in Puerto Vallarta no later than the afternoon of Monday, April 4, 2011, as there is a welcoming event planned for that evening *you won't want to miss*, or better yet, consider giving yourself an added luxury and come in a day or two early, as special discounted conference rates are secured for three nights before and after the conference depending on availability and contract dates.

Departure: Please make your departure reservations from Puerto Vallarta on Saturday, April 9, 2011, or consider adding up to three nights additional at special discounted conference rates, upon availability.

AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Special group rates are being negotiated for transfers to/from the Puerto Vallarta airport (distance 5km) to the *Krystal Hotel and Resort*. Details TBA. The resort does not have its own shuttle capability to/from airport; however, taxis and shuttles are plentiful. A friendly reminder is to negotiate a fixed price before taking a transfer on your own! U.S. currency or Mexican pesos will be accepted.

CONVO 2011 CANCELLATION POLICY

We hope nothing will come between you and an amazing *Convo 2011* journey to *The Krystal Hotel and Resort* in Puerto Vallarta, but should you need to cancel, your cancellation must be received in writing to Rautenstrauss Travel, Inc. It will be effective on the day of receipt and is subject to the cancellation policy outlined in the *Terms & Conditions and Liability Form* located in the Resort Registration. In addition to the resort's cancellation policy, Rautenstrauss Travel, Inc. will assess a \$50 per person administrative and processing fee for cancellations.

TRIP INSURANCE/NOTIFICATION FORM

Rautenstrauss Travel, Inc. strongly recommends trip cancellation insurance to cover any unforeseen interruptions to your travel plans and to offer a worry-free trip to Mexico. **Please see information in the Resort Registration about a comprehensive travel protection plan with *Travelex Insurance* entitled "Travel Select."** Book this comprehensive travel insurance within 21-days of making the initial room deposit, and you are eligible for the waiver of pre-existing exclusion at no additional cost. Full insurance information, included policy features, is included in the Resort Registration materials.

Due to agency bonding, *Convo 2011* passengers are required to return the Trip Insurance Notification Form which acknowledges the participant has been offered trip protection insurance and either accepts or declines this coverage.

CONVO PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

As always, a rich and compelling program of Convocation activities blending social and educational opportunities, lively group meals including a final banquet, and most important – abundant *connecting times* -- is being planned by the Leadership Counsel for *Convo 2011*, under the leadership of Rev. Cheri Jensen, of the *Whole Life Center for Spiritual Living* in Fort Collins, CO. *The Krystal Hotel and Resort* possesses abundant, modern conference facilities where an enriching program and activities will focus on the conference theme of "*In the Shade of Spirit.*" In addition, Rev. Dr. Michael Gott will share his extraordinary music, and special group events will be held on

the beautiful and lush grounds -- some even at oceanside! Simply stated, you will not want to miss out on *2011 Convo*!

- *Convo* Registration and Room Registration Forms are available at www.rautenstraustravel.com. Click on the 'UCORS 2011 Convocation' tab.

FURTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT CONVO REGISTRATION

Please contact Rev. Barbara Grabowski at barbgrabs@cox.net. Please include a phone number and best time for Rev. Barb to call you back, if desired. Also, the *Convo* Registration Form is available at www.rautenstraustravel.com. Please click on 'UCORS 2011 Convocation' tab.

HOW TO BOOK YOUR ROOM AND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

To make your room reservation which includes "all-inclusive meals and drinks" and many *exclusive* group amenities, and also for assistance on airfare, trip insurance, documentation, and travel logistics, **contact Dr. Kent and Kathleen Rautenstraus of Rautenstraus Travel, Inc.**, located in Arvada, Colorado (Mountain Time).

Rautenstraus Travel, Inc., a home-based travel agency, specializes in intentional and soulful journeys and cruises. We are most easily available by e-mail where our commitment is to respond to inquiries no later than 48 to 72 hours. (Please note that it may take this long to respond due to Kent's priority to Mile Hi Church in Lakewood, CO, as its Music Director, and Kathleen as a Religious Science Practitioner.) We look forward to servicing your travel needs as quickly as possible. Thanks again for your business!

IN SUMMARY

- A beautiful and joyful journey awaits with great people and unprecedented value!
- Renew in the shade of Spirit! Sign up today for *Convo 2011* in Puerto Vallarta!
- Complete registration materials are located at www.rautenstraustravel.com. Click on the tab marked 'UCORS 2011 Convocation'
- Questions? E-Mail RautenstrausTravel@comcast.net, or Phone/Fax: (303) 233-3458

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