

The Theosophical Society in America

Texas Federation

80th Annual Convention

May 1st – May 3rd, 2015



The Voice of the Silence

A Workshop with David Bruce

Dear Fellow Theosophists and Friends of Theosophy,

Greetings from the Dallas Study Center.

We are pleased to announce that the Texas Federation's 80th Annual Conference will take place Friday, May 1st, 2015 through Sunday, May 3rd, 2015 at the Best Western Plus Dallas Hotel & Convention Center.

David Bruce, National Secretary of the Theosophical Society, will present a workshop on *The Voice of the Silence*.

The Voice of the Silence

Since its initial publication in 1889, *The Voice of the Silence* by H.P. Blavatsky has been rightly considered by successive generations of Theosophists to be a true theosophical classic. It is noted for its inspirational and devotional tone, while its language is filled with beautiful poetic imagery.

In the preface, HPB dedicates this work to "the few real mystics in the Theosophical Society." During this workshop, we will touch upon topics such as paradox, mysticism, and the Path. There will be time for reading and discussing key passages from the text, as well as short periods of time set aside for quiet group reflection on the inner meaning of the verses.

David Bruce

David Bruce attended the Berklee School of Music in Boston for two years. He then spent three years in the U. S. Army band, which included a year in South Korea. David earned his BFA in Music Education from the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.

David is a third generation Theosophist. He was a member of the Theosophical Society in Milwaukee for 18 years, where he served as treasurer, program chairman and president.

After a 25 year career in the industrial electronics distribution field, David joined the staff at the national headquarters of The Theosophical Society in America.

Conference Schedule

Friday evening, May 1st, 2015

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Registration
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Reception with David Bruce

Saturday, May 2nd, 2015

9:00 am - 9:30 am Registration
9:30 am - 10:00 am Meditation
10:00 am - 10:15 am Opening of the 80th Annual Convention
10:15 am - 12:00 pm *The Voice of the Silence* (VOS) Workshop
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Free Time
2:00 pm - 4:30 pm VOS Workshop
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm Free Time
6:30 pm Vegetarian dinner at Cedars Mediterranean Mezza and Grill

Sunday, May 3rd, 2015

9:00 am - 10:00 am Texas Federation business meeting
10:00 am - 12:00 pm VOS Workshop
12:00 pm Closing of the 80th Annual Convention

Hotel Information

Conference Location: Best Western Plus Dallas Hotel & Convention Center
8051 LBJ Freeway
Dallas, TX 75251
Phone: 972-680-3000

Special Instructions: We have a courtesy block of rooms at Best Western with a \$69.99 per night rate (tax not included). There are ten rooms with King-sized beds. There are also ten rooms with two double beds each so that up to four people can share a room if necessary.

The \$69.99 rate is good until April 15, 2015. After this date, any unreserved rooms roll back into the hotel's regular room inventory and the special rate will no longer be available.

If you wish to stay at Best Western but are unable to make arrangements by April 15th, please contact Anita Keeler at 214-562-1318 or anita.keeler@yahoo.com. If rooms are available, we can work to either extend the date on the existing block of rooms or create a new courtesy block.

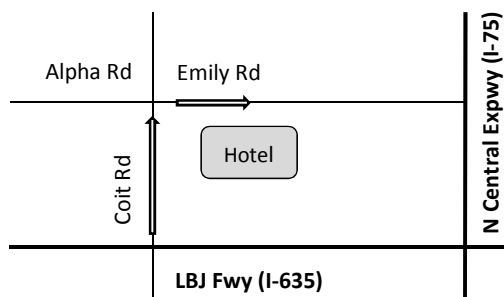
Reservations: The dedicated link for booking reservations within our courtesy block is:
<http://book.bestwestern.com/bestwestern/groupSearch.do?groupId=3C4BG5C4>

If you choose to make reservations directly with the hotel, let the staff know that you are attending the Theosophical Society/Texas Federation event in order to receive the \$69.99 per night room rate.

Directions: Although the hotel has an LBJ Fwy address, it is not readily visible from LBJ because it actually faces Emily Rd.

The easiest way to reach the hotel is as follows:

From LBJ Fwy (I-635), turn north on Coit Rd. At the first light, turn right on Emily Rd. The hotel is on the right.



Registration Information

Please see the 2015 Texas Federation Registration form on the next page.

As a courtesy to our friends with allergies, please refrain from wearing cologne, perfume, scented lotion, etc. during the conference. We appreciate your understanding and consideration.

2015 Texas Federation Registration Form

Please make checks payable to: Clarice Bauereis

Please mail Registration form/fee to: Clarice Bauereis
Dallas Theosophical Study Center
7348 Wellcrest Drive
Dallas, TX 75230-4234
Home: (214) 363-6701, Cell: 214-770-4006

_____ \$40.00 Early Registration fee (if received by April 17th, 2015)

_____ \$45.00 Registration fee (if received after April 17th, 2015)

_____ \$20.00 Vegetarian dinner on Saturday evening

_____ Total amount enclosed

_____ Total number of reservations

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____