

Program “Beginnings and Endings”

Friday March 1st – Sunday March 3rd 2019 Don Bosco Retreat Centre

(Muslim prayer times – 6am, 1:20pm, 4:50pm, 7:30pm, 8:50pm)

Friday March 1st

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| 5pm | Registration |
| 6:00pm | light tea |
| 7:00pm | Welcome and explanation of JCMA principles from 2 presidents. |
| 7:30 pm | Muslim prayers |
| 7:43pm | Jewish opening of the Sabbath Lighting the candles, a short explanation and a handout with information about this Jewish ritual |
| 8.15pm | Introducing ourselves activities short introductions from each person and introduction to JCMA (In small groups) |
| 8:30 pm. | Introduction to the theme ‘Beginnings and endings’ and how this theme was developed |
| 9pm | Supper |

Saturday March 2nd

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| 7-8am | Breakfast |
| 8:15 -8.45 am | Muslim prayers demonstration (with handout) |
| 9am First session | Rituals surrounding birth in our three faiths and the significance, meaning and theology of these rituals for our respective faiths. (3 speakers J C M followed by Q&A) |
| 10:30 am | Morning Tea |
| 11am 2nd session | Rituals around a child’s journey in faith to adulthood. How do we follow through the faith journey with our children? 3 speakers J C M followed by Q&A |
| 12:30pm | lunch |
| 1:30 pm | Muslim Prayer |
| 1:45 pm | mingling and walking time |
| 3pm | afternoon tea |
| 3:30 -5pm | Personal stories |
| 5pm – 6pm | cluster groups |
| 6.15pm | dinner |
| 7.15pm | Poetry, music and speakers’ corner on the theme of the conference |
| 7:30pm | Muslim prayer |
| 8.39 pm | Jewish closing of the Sabbath |
| 9pm | supper |

Sunday March 3rd

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| 7-8am | Breakfast |
| 8:15-8.45 am | Christian Prayers (including a handout) |
| 9am Third Session ? | Rituals around death and their meaning. When do we accept that a person has died and how do we memorialise the human person. (Amsha could be the Muslim speaker) 3 speakers J C M followed by Q&A |
| 10:30am | Morning Tea |
| 11am Fourth session | The mystery of beginnings and endings for our lives. How do we understand the human person and the purpose for a life? (3 speakers and Q&A) |
| 12:30 pm | Lunch |
| 1:45 -2:45pm | Cluster groups |
| 1:30 pm | Muslim prayer |
| 2:45 – 3:30 pm | Wrap up and review for the future |