



FEAST *of Tabernacles*

2025 Housing Brochure



Welcome to the **Feast of Tabernacles** 2025 Festival Housing Guide

“You shall dwell in booths for seven days.” With those words in Leviticus 23, we are reminded of the temporary dwellings that we all will live in during the Feast of Tabernacles.

As families, we talk about and plan where we want to go for the Feast and where we want to stay. We look forward to this time of the year. In order to make it a positive and memorable experience, we do not leave details till the last minute. We save our second tithe, we plan our budget, and we look to the Festival housing brochure to see what is offered at the various sites.

As you and your family make your plans and prepare to select and reserve housing for 2025, we recommend you review all available housing at the site you will be attending.

To assist you in this endeavor, we have included websites for the housing establishments listed in this brochure. Please check out those websites, as they will allow you to preview the facilities secured by the Church and the amenities offered at each. This will greatly assist you in avoiding unpleasant surprises, such as extra charges and incidental costs.

We encourage you to consider the choices at several sites that serve as anchor facilities for our daily Festival services. In many, if not most, cases, the Church benefits greatly with reduced meeting space charges when members stay on-site at these facilities.

Of course, if you do not find the housing you desire, you may find what you are looking for via an online search. The housing options we have listed are properties that desire to work with the Church by providing a discounted rate for attendees.

As you make your housing arrangements, please remember these important reminders:

- In general, please do not attempt to make reservations prior to the opening day and time for reservations, which is **Sunday, May 18, at 10 a.m.** in the time zone of the site you are attending.

The establishments have been asked to not accept reservations prior to the agreed-upon time.

- Those with disabilities, health problems or other special needs that require specific types of facilities may make early housing reservations, beginning **Sunday, May 4.** (Check with your local Feast adviser for guidelines.) Some sites may require a password in order to make early reservations.
- When making your reservations, identify yourself as a member of the “Church of God, a Worldwide Association.” In some cases, the housing locations will use the acronym “COGWA.” Be sure to give your arrival and departure dates, be prepared to give a deposit, and be sure to ask for a confirmation number.
- Please take notice of the maximum number of occupants allowed in a room and do not exceed that number. Reserving a room for four people and then putting six to seven people in the room is not allowed. It causes extra work for the housekeeping staff and violates the agreements we have made.
- PLEASE make only one housing reservation at one Feast site. Making duplicate reservations blocks housing from others looking for housing. If your plans to attend a site change, be sure to cancel your housing reservations as soon as possible to free up housing.

Jon Pinelli
Festival Planning Team



Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What if I have a large family and need a larger facility, such as a house, to have enough space. Can I rent “outside” our housing list?

A. If there is no satisfactory housing on our housing list, you are certainly free to rent something else. Most of the large, home-type facilities are “one of a kind,” and it would cause more potential problems than it would solve for us to list a large number of one-of-a-kind facilities. And once such a facility was reserved, it would be a waste of time for any other members who tried to reserve the facility.

Q. What if I’m torn between two different housing properties (maybe even at two different sites). What is wrong with reserving them both until I decide and then releasing the one I decide not to use?

A. This situation probably happens more often than most would think. It causes difficulties on more than one level. First, it removes a room from the available block that may eventually go unused if you cancel just before the Feast. Second, it may cause a facility to assume it is full and turn down possible bookings only to later have one or several cancellations by people who had double-booked rooms. This causes us problems when we go to book blocks of rooms for the following year.

Q. My extended family is all attending the same site, yet we find we are paying different tax rates on our rooms. Why is that? It seems confusing!

A. Some Feast sites have facilities in different communities, each with different lodging tax rates. Some facilities have a “county tax,” while others have a “county tax” and a “city lodging tax.” Generally, the difference isn’t that great, but it may be 4 to 5 percent different.

Q. What about “extra fees” that appear on my bill in addition to the basic room charge?

A. Some facilities have extra charges for things such as “resort fee,” or “fee for Internet service in sleeping rooms” (in some facilities, the Internet is free only in the public areas). Most of these should be listed in the housing brochure, but it is good to ask about any extra fees that the facility charges when making your room reservation. When in doubt, ask, so you aren’t surprised when you check out.

Q. I have found an establishment that I feel would be a great fit for our housing block. How do I go about giving this input to the right person?

A. At times, members may find a facility that we may have overlooked or that may be under new management. There are a couple of ways you can give input in this area. First, since we may already have our room blocks set for this year, you can write in your suggestion on your copy of the Housing Survey, which is passed out at each site. The Festival coordinator for that site will see it and can follow up on it. Second, you can email the suggestion to the Festival coordinator for that site or to a member of the Festival Planning Team. But either way, please do not try to negotiate with the establishment on behalf of the Church.

Q. I have several ideas on areas that I feel would make wonderful Feast sites. How do I go about giving input on possible locations?

A. We are always keeping our eyes open for possible Feast sites. Our main criteria for site selection is desirable locations within a reasonable distance of the majority of our people in a region. We will occasionally have a specialty site on a one-time or a

periodic basis, but due to manpower and expense, we mostly focus on regional sites across the United States and regional sites in the international areas as well.

The Festival Planning Team is always open to suggestions for possible future sites and welcomes input from interested members. If you know of a specific facility in a particular area, feel free to mention it in an email to a member of the Festival Planning Team. But please do not contact the facility directly or discuss possible terms with the facility, as if you are representing the Church. Doing so can cause confusion. Send in your ideas, and we will look at and consider them in light of current needs, contracts and other relative conditions.

Q. What do I do if I check into a facility selected from the housing guide and, after checking in, I find the conditions to be totally unacceptable?

A. While this situation seldom happens, it is a possibility. Before you actually occupy the room, go back to the management and tell them the conditions are totally unacceptable and ask for either another room that is acceptable or for a refund. Most facilities will work with you. In the event that you still have a situation, feel free to contact the Festival coordinator for the site or, if you know his name, the housing officer. Either of them will be able to help you with the situation.

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KEY DATES

March 30, 2025

Registration for assigned sites begins

July 14, 2025

Activity information posted to website

May 4, 2025

Early housing reservations begin
(see local Festival adviser for guidelines)

Oct. 7-13, 2025

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May 18, 2025

General housing reservations begin

Oct. 14, 2025

Last Great Day

**General registration for
U.S. and international sites begins**

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

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Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

We are excited to again have the Feast in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Now a thriving metropolis, Myrtle Beach began as a getaway for residents of Conway, South Carolina. It was finally incorporated as a town in 1957 and was named after the area's southern wax myrtle shrubs.

Today Myrtle Beach is known as the golf capital. Currently, there are 87 premier golf courses throughout the area. It is also considered to be one of America's most popular vacation destinations. The area boasts a variety of motel and condo units as well as limitless restaurants and shopping adventures.

The biggest draw is its miles of coastline—and opportunities to play in the sand, collect seashells and catch some waves.

Myrtle Beach also has the oceanfront Myrtle Beach Boardwalk, a new SkyWheel, Ripley's Aquarium, several live shows in theaters, miniature golf courses, jet skiing and parasailing. There are 350 acres of shopping, restaurants and other attractions at Broadway at the Beach.

Services will be held at the Crown Reef Beach Resort and Convention Center (2913 S. Ocean Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC). This facility includes an on-site hotel with kitchenettes, and in the last two years it has updated its bathrooms, beds and linens. Additional housing is available in Myrtle Beach and nearby North Myrtle Beach.

Fragrance-controlled room available: No.

Lodging tax rate: 7%. (If you stay at the Crown Reef, all taxes and fees are included.)

Closest airport: Myrtle Beach (MYR), 2.5 miles.

Mark Winner

The housing options below reflect considerably discounted pricing that helps the Church secure lower-priced meeting space. If, however, you cannot find what works for you and your family on this list, there are other options available that can be found in an Internet search, including VRBO and Airbnb.

The following rates are inclusive per night, including fees and taxes, with no hidden or surprise expenses. To avoid being charged the daily \$10 parking fee, please have your Vacation Myrtle Beach Resort Parking Pass displayed in a visible area on the dash or mirror of your vehicle.

Each of these four full-service oceanfront resorts offers its own unique amenities. Some resorts also offer one-, two- and three-bedroom units, so there is something to fit everyone's needs.

Crown Reef Beach Resort and Waterpark
844-827-2434
crownreef.com
2913 S. Ocean Blvd.
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

- \$100 oceanfront queen efficiency: 2 queen beds, sleeps 4
- \$100 oceanfront king efficiency: 1 king bed + sleeper sofa, sleeps 4
- \$120 oceanfront 1-bedroom, 1-bath suite: 2 queen beds, sleeper sofa + murphy bed, sleeps 8
- \$130 oceanfront 1-bedroom, 1-bath king suite: 1 king bed, sleeper sofa + murphy bed, sleeps 6
- \$260 oceanfront 2-bedroom, 2-bath condo, sleeps 6 or 8

Note: When calling to make reservations, mention the group name: COGWA 25. Rates include access to the indoor waterpark. Reservations must be made by Sept. 6, 2025. One night's stay is due when making your reservation. The remaining balance is due by check-in.

Amenities: Private balcony, full kitchen, shopping nearby, fitness center, indoor pool, outdoor pool, waterfront, king or queen beds.

Distance from meeting hall: on-site

Beach Colony Resort
844-529-8148
beachcolony.com
5308 N. Ocean Blvd.
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

- \$135 ocean-view 2-bedroom, 2-bath condo: 1 king bed, 2 full beds, sleeper sofa, sleeps 8
- \$220 oceanfront 3-bedroom, 2-bath condo: 1 king bed, 2 twin beds, sleeper sofa, sleeps 8
- \$250 oceanfront 4-bedroom, 3-bath condo: 1 king bed, 1 queen bed, 4 twin beds, sleeper sofa, sleeps 10

Note: When calling to make reservations, mention the group name: COGWA 25.

Amenities: Private balcony, full kitchen, laundry facilities (in-room washer and dryer), air-conditioning, king or queen beds, free Wi-Fi, daily housekeeping.

Distance from meeting hall: 6.2 miles

Ocean Escape Condos
800-796-5979
oceanescape.com
1400 S. Ocean Blvd.
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

- \$160 ocean-view 2-bedroom, 2-bath condo: 3 queen beds, queen sleeper sofa, sleeps 8
- \$200 ocean-view 3-bedroom, 2.5-bath condo: 1 king bed, 2 full beds, 1 queen bed, queen sleeper sofa, sleeps 10

Note: When calling to make reservations, mention the group name: COGWA. There will be a one-time departure cleaning fee of \$79.99 per condo.

Amenities: Private balcony, waterfront, indoor pool, outdoor pool, full kitchen (refrigerator, stove, oven, microwave, coffeemaker and dishwasher), free Wi-Fi, laundry facilities.

Distance from meeting hall: 1.5 miles

Palace Resort
855-441-2069
palaceresort.com
1605 S. Ocean Blvd.
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

- \$140 ocean-view 2-bedroom, 2-bath condo: 1 queen bed, 2 twin beds, queen sleeper sofa, sleeps 6
- \$150 angle ocean-view deluxe 2-bedroom, 2-bath condo: 1 queen bed, 2 twin beds, queen sleeper sofa, sleeps 6

Note: When calling to make reservations, mention the group name: COGWA 25. Units include two bedrooms with balconies. All units individually owned; decor in units may vary.

Amenities: Private balcony, indoor pool, outdoor pool, full kitchen (stove, oven, microwave, refrigerator, dishwasher and coffeemaker), laundry facilities, free Wi-Fi, fitness center.

Distance from meeting hall: 1.2 miles