

# Convention Keep the Faith 2023

"...tell to the coming generations the glorious deeds of the Lord." Psalm 78:6



## Home Education Convention May 25-27, 2023

Including Large Exhibit Hall, Workshops, Youth Track and Family Concert



**Durenda Wilson**



**Michael Thiessen**

Free Session on  
Thursday Night:  
*"How to Start Home  
Educating"*

Thursday, May 25 7 pm - 9 pm  
Friday, May 26 8:30 am-8 pm  
Saturday, May 27 8:00 am-5 pm



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## Durenda Wilson

Durenda and her husband, Darryl, have eight children (7 graduated) and nine grandchildren. As an author, speaker, and podcaster her greatest joy is reminding parents how doable and effective homeschooling is and that they are, in fact, qualified for the job! Her books include *The Four Hour School Day*, *The Unhurried Homeschooler*, and *Unhurried Grace for a Mom's Heart*.  
[www.durendawilson.com](http://www.durendawilson.com)

### TOPICS

- Four-Hour School Day
- Unhurried Homeschooling: Why We Need to Slow Down
- Nurturing Sibling Relationships
- The Sky's the Limit: Homeschooling Highschool
- Preparing Your Mom Heart for the Post-Homeschool Years
- Sustainable Homeschooling



## Michael Thiessen

With a heart for training and mentoring young adults, Christian leaders, and pastors, and advancing both church and cultural renewal, Michael Thiessen serves as the Founder and President of Liberty Coalition Canada. Michael holds a Master's of Arts in Religion Degree with a focus in New Testament and Ethics (Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary), and holds a Doctor of Ministry Degree (Trinity Evangelical Divinity School).

Michael also serves as a Fellow at both the Ezra Institute for Contemporary Christianity and the Center for Cultural Leadership. Michael has over 20 years of pastoral ministry experience, including international missions experience. He is the author of *Pursuing a First Class Marriage*.

He is a certified coach for Grip-Birkman. Michael has over 20 years of NPO board experience and currently sits as the chair of the Ontario Christian Home Educators Connection.

Michael is a home-school dad married to Sarah. They have four children.

### TOPICS

- Love, Liberty, and Law (the Christian Foundations for a Free and Virtuous Society)
- The Importance of a Christian Classical/Liberal Arts Education: Presuppositional, Logical, and Rhetorical. Part 1 and 2
- The Pursuit of Marriage for Our Children
- The Family Integrated Church
- Biblical Masculinity and Femininity: Of Sons and Daughters

# Additional Speaker Workshops

- Is the Digital Generation Doomed? How to Help Your Kids Flourish in an Age of Distraction.
- The Sandwich Generation
- Teaching the Whole Child
- Understanding the Major Educational Philosophies
- Spreading Your Wings: Accomplishing Big Life Changes while Raising & Schooling Your Family
- Canada's Current Legal Landscape
- Fostering Attention and Cultivating Character with Charlotte Mason
- Veteran Mom's Homeschool Panel
- How Political Systems See and Affect Parents Rights
- Apprenticeship in the Trades
- Canadian University Admission for Home Educated Students
- How To Nurture Authentic Connections With Your Child Through Healthy Communication
- *and more.....*

## Youth Workshops

Hands-on History & Science of Forensics and Investigation (2 parts) • Creation Apologetics • Preparing For and Protecting Marriage • Canadian Mock Parliament • Exploring Apprenticeship in the Trades • How To Be An Overcomer No Matter What You Go Through

## Registration & Pricing

<b>Convention Entry Type</b>	<b>Earlybird (plus GST)</b>	<b>After April 15 (plus GST)</b>
Single Convention Entry	<b>\$120</b>	<b>\$150</b>
Couple's Convention Entry	<b>\$160</b>	<b>\$190</b>
Youth*(13-17)	<b>\$60</b>	<b>\$80</b>
Shop Only	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$60</b>
College and Careers* (18-25)	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$60</b>
Children*	<b>FREE</b>	<b>FREE</b>
(13 and under) - children attending are required to be supervised by a parent at all times		
Grandparents*	<b>FREE</b>	<b>FREE</b>

\*must be registered with a Single or Couple Entry Fee

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# Hotels/Campgrounds

*Book by April 25 to receive the discounted rates.*

**Microtel** 403-967-0320 \$115 Use Code: AHEA

**Comfort Inn** 687-815-4389 \$129 Use Code: AHEA  
Convention 2023

**Holiday Inn Express Gaetz** 403-343-2112 \$109.99 Use  
Code: AHEA Group Code

**Holiday Inn South** 403-348-8485 \$141.99 Use Code: AHEA  
Convention Rate

**Days Inn** 403-340-3297 \$105 Use Code: AHEA Group  
Convention Rate

**Towneplace Inn and Suites** 403-341-3589 \$134-164 Use  
Code: 2023 AHEA Convention Rate

**Westerner Campground** 403-352-9901 \$46-51 On  
Westerner Grounds, No tents allowed, Reservations  
required and recommended well in advance

**Red Deer Lions Campground** 403-342-8183 \$31-59 RV  
and Tenting sites, non peak weekends require 2 nights min.,  
online reservations recommended before May 1st or if  
booking after May 1st call the office.

# Convention Highlights



- Family Integrated Convention
- Keynote Speakers
- Breakout Workshops
- Large Exhibit Hall
- Youth Program (Including Mock Parliament)
- Saturday Afternoon Shop-Only Opportunity
- Free New Homeschoolers Session (Thursday Night)
- Veteran Mom's Panel
- Discounted ticket prices at the DINOS Centre (make it a family vacation!)
- Generous time for connecting with others
- **Fehr Family Music Concert (Friday Night)**

# Convention Team

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\* Save 100% for 8 hours and 50% for 4 hours, Couples totaling 10 hours (100%) on your Convention Registration (to be re-funded after the Convention)

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# Disclaimer

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Current line-up of speakers and topics, subject to change.