

Conference on the Essentials of a Church Federation

28-29 June 2019

Friday 28 June 2019

- 16:00 Coffee & Tea
- 16:30 Welcome & Opening
- 17:00 “Scriptural and historical roots of the Reformed view, structure and functioning of a church federation, as described in the Church Order of Dordt” by Prof. Dr. Ted van Raalte (Professor of Ecclesiology at the Canadian Reformed Theological Seminary)
- 17:40 Questions
- 18:00 Supper
- 19:00 “Survey of church orders in Reformed denominations in regards to church federation since the original Church Order of Dordt until present.” by Dr. Dolf Britz (Professor emeritus of Church History at the University of the Free State)
- 19:40 Questions
- 20:00 Coffee & Tea
- 20:30 “Can a synod leave essential matters for local churches to decide, or does this create the danger that a federation will start falling apart?” by Dr. Hannes Breytenbach (Missionary of the Free Reformed Church Pretoria)
- 21:10 Questions
- 21:30 Closure

Saturday 29 June 2019

- 8:30 Coffee & Tea
- 9:00 Opening
- 9:15 “Contours of a Federation. How wide or narrow should a Reformed church federation be with regards to:
- Doctrinal matters
 - Geographical location
 - Language and culture” by Dr. Pieter Boon (Minister of the Free Reformed Church Pretoria-Maranata)
- 9:50 Questions
- 10:00 Coffee & Tea
- 10:30 Questions & Discussion
- 12:00 Preparing Concluding Statement
- 13:00 Closure
- 13:15 Lunch