

**ORPHAN CHOIR REGISTRATION
2009 AGEHR Area II Inc. FESTIVAL CONFERENCE**

INFORMATION ABOUT YOU:

Reg. # _____ Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CHOIR:

Director's Name _____

Church/School/Community Group Affiliation _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Director's Phone _____ Email _____

I WANT TO RING IN THE FOLLOWING ORPHAN CHOIR:

_____ Orphan Tins Choir (Level 1-2) _____ Orphan Genesis Choir (Level 2)

_____ Orphan Coppers Choir (Level 2-4) _____ Orphan Bronze Choir (Level 4-6)

PREFERRED BELL ASSIGNMENT: (List at least 3 preferences, with #1 being your first choice)

Lower Bass: _____ C3-F3 _____ G3-B3

Bass: _____ C4D4 _____ E4F4 _____ G4A4 _____ B4C5

Middle: _____ D5E5 _____ F5G5 _____ A5B5

Treble: _____ C6D6/7 _____ E6/7F6/7 _____ G6/7A6/7 _____ B6/7C7/8

NOTE: All Orphan Ringers need to bring their own bells and chimes!!!

DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR THE BRONZE ORPHAN CHOIR: Please include information about this ringer's experience, qualifications, etc. for participation in the bronze level choir. Use the back of the sheet for additional comments.

Director's Signature

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“My whole choir is not able to attend the Festival Conference, but I want to attend. What can I do?”

Come to Festival Conference and ring in an Orphan Choir!

What is an Orphan Choir?

It is a festival choir made up of ringers from choirs which cannot come to the festival conference and participate in the ringing, even if you or just a few of your choir are able to participate. Join us! Sign up today!

What level Orphan Choir should I join?

There will be an orphan choir for each level of ringing ability. Have you never attended a festival before and ring at level 2? The Genesis Track is for you! The Tins Orphan Choir is for you if you ring level 1+ and 2! Do you ring level 2+-4 music? Join the Orphan Coppers Choir! Are you an advanced ringer ringing Level 4-6 music? Be a part of the Bronze level Orphan Choir!

Those participating in the Orphan Choirs will be asked to help provide the bells, tables, pads, and tablecovers needed for each Orphan Choir. Those who bring 3 or more octaves of bells will receive a check for the amount of a one year membership to AGEHR. However, please wait until you are asked to bring your equipment!

Guidelines for Orphan Choir Participants:

- It is imperative that the participant knows his/her music assignment, has practiced ahead of time before arriving at the festival, and is prepared to ring prior to the start of the festival.
- The participant will pre-register for his/her specific bell assignment.
- The participant will pay all fees connected with registration, housing, etc., for the festival.
- Each participant will attend all rehearsals for their division (tins, coppers, bronze) and for the massed ringing. Note: Those who are participating in the Bronze Orphan choir as well as in the Masterclass will not be able to ring the massed music selections because of scheduling conflicts.
- Multiple Orphan Choirs for each division will be available if needed.
- Handbell assignments for each participant will be made according to his/her paid registration postmark date.
- Each participant will provide his/her own music, stand, gloves, mallets, and polishing cloth.
- Participants will assist with the set-up and take-down of all equipment used by their choir.
- ***Participants will be responsible for bringing their own bells and chimes.***
- Participants will follow all the procedures, guidelines, rules, etc., established for all ringers attending the festival.
- Participants will follow the guidelines of the supervising director assigned to their choir.

Additional requirements for those participating in the Bronze level Orphan Choir:

- A ringer for the Bronze Orphan Choir must be recommended, in writing, for this choir by a bell choir director who understands the challenges of ringing bronze level music and who is knowledgeable about the qualifications of this ringer.

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