

"Sharing Christ's Light Through Caring for Sight"



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SOCIETY

Over the next months there are a number of great opportunities to engage with the COS community -- like-minded colleagues who desire to grow in their walk with Jesus and serve Him intently.

Take a look at our schedule:

- **TODAY: Women's Zoom Group** (The second Saturday of the month)
- COS Prayer Breakfast at **ASCRS** - April 7, 2024, in Boston
- COS Luncheon / Reception at **ARVO** - May 6, 2024, in Seattle
- **Omaha Regional Refresh** - May 18, 2024 - Hosted by Dr. Ron Krueger, MD
- **COS Annual Meeting** - July 24 - 28, 2024, in Greenville, SC - hosted by Drs Brad Williams and Kurt Heitman
- **Eyes on Eswatini** - Oct 26 - Nov 3, 2024 - in Eswatini, South Africa. A short-term missions trip in support of our sponsor missionary in the COS FAM program - Dr. Jono Pons

We hope to see you at one of these events or serving in some capacity.

There is more information below related to each of these events....

COS Women's Zoom Group

2nd Saturdays of the Month
10:00am (Eastern Time)

Connect with other women in ophthalmology and be encouraged in your walk with Christ.

Medical students, ophthalmology residents, fellows and experienced ophthalmologists are all welcome. Invite a friend too!

"Whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst . . ."
-- John 4:14



COS Women's Zoom Group TODAY March 9th!

You're invited to join your female Christian colleagues for a time of encouragement and prayer today, **Saturday, March 9th, 2024**, from **10:00-11:00am Eastern Time!**

Dr. Jean Hausheer, MD, will be talking on the topic of:

"How to Biblically Align Worldviews and Political Candidates"

We hope to see you there!

You can **[REGISTER](#)** on Zoom and save the date & link to your calendar or click the Zoom link below on the appropriate date and time.

NOTE: When you click on the link below, a "Meeting Registration" tab will open and you will be asked to register using your name and email address. After you register, an approval message will come up that includes the URL to join the meeting. (A confirmation email will also be sent to you). If you register on the date and time of the meeting, click on the URL and you will join the meeting!

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkf-2grzgjHdIGg6b2gCkY_PpD4zptk2kh

Meeting ID: 819 8481 3976

Passcode: 036236

If you would like more information, send an email to triciamccoy1@gmail.com or jill@rodila.com.



COS Prayer Breakfast @ ASCRS Boston, MA!

If you are attending **ASCRS** in Boston, MA this year, come join us at the **COS Prayer Breakfast!**

Dr. Keith Earley, MD, a comprehensive ophthalmologist at San Antonio Eye Center in San Antonio, Texas, will be our speaker.

Prior to becoming an ophthalmologist, he served as a Flight Surgeon for six years for AWACS and F-16 squadrons, including two deployments in the Middle East and multiple NATO taskings. Before separating from the Air Force in March 2023, Dr. Earley had a 13-year military career, ending as the Chief of Ophthalmology for the 81st Medical Group at Keesler Medical Center at the Keesler Air Force base in Mississippi. He has participated in ophthalmic mission trips to Guyana and Mexico.



The topic of his talk will be "*The Historical Reliability of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ*".

(Originally, Dr. Samuel Yiu, MD, was our scheduled speaker but he had a conflict. We are excited Dr. Earley is able to fill in.)

Join us:
Sunday, April 7, 2024,
6:30-8:00am
The Westin Boston Seaport District,
425 Summer St,
Stone room, Lobby Level

RSVP [TODAY!](#)



COS Luncheon @ ARVO Seattle, WA!

Join us at **ARVO** in Seattle, WA!

Dr. Samuel Yiu, MD, will host a COS Luncheon / Reception during ARVO. We hope you will stop by to connect with other COS ophthalmologists.

Here are the details:
Monday, May 6, 2024,
1:15-2:45pm
Seattle Convention Center

**Arch Building – Room 201
705 Pike Street
Seattle, WA 98101**

RSVP [TODAY!](#)



Omaha Regional Refresh

Join us for a Regional Refresh today!

If you can get to Omaha, we encourage you to join us with other Private Practice ophthalmologists, Residents, Fellows and Faculty. Invite a friend!

**Saturday, May 18th
9:30am – 12:30pm
(Brunch is included - No Charge!)
Hosted by Dr. Ron Krueger
Omaha, NE**



Dr. Dele Davies, MD
*Senior Vice Chancellor for
Academic Affairs
University of Nebraska Medical
Center*

Dr. Ron Krueger, MD
Director, Stanley M. Truhlsen
Eye Institute
University of Nebraska
Medical Center



Go here to [RSVP](#).
Details will be sent with RSVP confirmation.



48th COS Annual Meeting Register Today!

Join other like-minded Ophthalmologists for our time together in the heart of beautiful **Greenville, South Carolina!** Invite a friend!

Annual Meeting Details

48th COS Annual Meeting

July 24-28th

[Hyatt Regency Greenville](#)

In the heart of beautiful **Greenville, South Carolina!**

If you [register](#) by April 1st, you will receive the "Early Bird Discount" of \$50!!

What makes the COS Annual Meeting so unique?

- Great Scientific Lectures
- Lectures on Intertwining Our Faith and Our Practice
- Hanging out with Colleagues Who Desire to Follow Christ
- Special Sessions for the Spouses
- Special Programming for the Children
- Opportunities During the Meeting for the Family to Get Away

***14.25 Hours of AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™**

**This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Medical Association of Georgia through the joint providership of Southern Alliance for Physician Specialties CME and Christian Ophthalmology Society. The Southern Alliance for Physician Specialties CME is accredited by the Medical Association of Georgia to provide accredited continuing education for physicians. The Southern Alliance for Physician Specialties CME designates this live activity for a maximum of 14.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.*

[Click here for the Physician Meeting Schedule](#)

Spend extra days in Greenville with your spouse or family! There are plenty of things to do...

- Walk or bike along Greenville's beautiful [Swamp Rabbit Trail](#)
- Have fun at the new 60-acre [Unity Park](#)--splash pad, gardens, covered picnic areas, etc.
- Visit the award-winning, walkable, tree-lined Main Street
- Experience the [TD Saturday Market](#)
- Discover the region's dazzling collection of waterfalls.
- Visit one of the many museums, including [The Children's Museum](#)
- Go to an outdoor play at the [Upstate Shakespeare Festival](#)
- Take a Hike at [Paris Mountain](#) or [Table Rock State Park](#)
- Attend a free concert at [NOMA Square](#)
- Go to the [Greenville Zoo](#)
- Do a [Mice on Main Scavenger Hunt](#) with the Kids (inspired by the children's book *Goodnight Moon*)
- And much more!...

NEW THIS YEAR: TECHNICIAN LECTURE SERIES

Friday, July 26th - Saturday, July 27th

Bring the Techs in your office!

Held in cooperation with the COS, Southern Eye Associates in Greenville has put together a 2-day Technician Lecture Series with 8 hours of IJCAHPO CE credits.*

**This program is not sponsored by IJCAHPO; it is only reviewed for compliance with IJCAHPO standards and criteria and awarded continuing education credit accordingly; therefore, IJCAHPO cannot predict the effectiveness of the program or assure its quality in substance and presentation.*

[Click here for the Technician Lecture Series Schedule](#)

More exciting information to follow in the coming weeks, if you have questions, please send a note to info@cosw.org.

Note: Members receive a discounted registration fee for the Annual Meeting. Join or renew your COS membership by clicking [here](#).

Register for the Annual Meeting today...

REGISTER NOW!

“That times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.”
~ Acts 3:20



Eyes on Ewatini
Short-Term Missions Trip
Oct 26 - Nov 3, 2024

We are currently working with Dr. Pons and his team to bring a team of COS doctors, and guests, to **Siteki, Eswatini**, South Africa.

You are invited to join us on the **Eyes on Eswatini - 2024 Tour!**

Here are the details so far:

Dates:

Fall 2024
Arrive on a Saturday, Oct 26
Depart on Sunday, Nov 3

Accommodations:

Mabuda Guest Farm
(Bed & Breakfast type cottages)

**Mission and Service
Participation Options:**

Ophthalmologists/Doctors

- Clinics / Hospital – Daily Clinics, Weekly Surgery
- Sight Flight
- Health Outreach with Libumba Inclusion Initiative for children with disabilities
- Trip to Orphan village for General Medical care
- Christian Ophthalmology Society sponsored educational symposium

Non-Ophthalmologists / Doctors
- Partners, Teenage Children, etc.

- Work parties with local mission partners
- Mission visits to local community with Community Liaison.
- Assist in patient queuing, visual acuity testing and pastoral care

Leisure activities:

- Nature, Animal Viewing and Game Driving Experiences
- Bush walking or horse riding on trails around Mabuda Farm
- Hlane and Mkhaya Game Reserves
- Tiger Fishing
- Birding

Craft and Local Artisans:

- Coffee Tours at Green Shed Mabuda
- Ngwenya Glass Factory and Craft Centre
- Swazi Candles
- Matanga Craft Centre
- Mandelapas Centre

Estimated Cost / Person:

\$3500 - 4000
Includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Atlanta, GA to Eswatini
- Travel from/to airport to/from Mabuda Farms
- Accommodations
- Meals

Please prayerfully consider joining us next Fall. It will be a great way to support the work that Dr. Jono Pons and his team are doing in Eswatini, South Africa.

If you are interested in learning more about the Eyes on Eswatini - 2024 Tour, please send us an email at info@cosw.org.

For the entire COS Board & Staff,

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