

WHO?

DELEGATES

CATEGORY 1 - Delegates to General Conference

- Equal number of Clergy and Lay Delegates elected by Annual Conferences based on an allocation derived from a Disciplinary formula (also serve as delegates to Jurisdictional or Central Conference)
- 862 Voting Delegates (includes Concordat delegates)
- Additional Delegates with voice but no vote from Affiliated Autonomous and Affiliated United churches



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CATEGORY 2 – Additional Delegates to Jurisdictional or Central Conference
Serve as Reserve Delegates to the General Conference in order of election

CATEGORY 3 – Reserve Delegates to Jurisdictional or Central Conference
Serve as Additional Reserve Delegates to the General Conference when not enough reserve delegates are available from Category 2; if needed, seated in order of election



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WHO?

OFFICERS

Secretary of the General Conference

Coordinator of the Calendar (nominated by the Secretary of the General Conference)



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WHO?

STAFF

Business Manager of the General Conference

Assistant Business Manager of the General Conference

Executive Assistant to the Secretary of the General Conference



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WHO?

CONTRACT & VOLUNTEER STAFF

Petitions Secretary

Daily Christian Advocate (DCA) Editor (UMPH Staff)

Director of Worship & Music

Coordinator of Language Services

Coordinators of Pages & Marshals

Public Relations (UM Comm Staff)

Secretarial & Business Office Staff

DCA Staff/CALMS Team/Information Technology

Recorder/Transcriber/Channel B Teams

Production Teams

Interpretation & Translation Teams

Pages & Marshals

Monitors



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WHO?

Commission on the General Conference

24 members nominated by the Council of Bishops and elected by General Conference

1 Local Host Committee seat

4 ex-officio member seats

Presents Report & Proposed changes to the Plan of Organization & Rules of Order of the General Conference

Rules Committee serves as Ethics Committee when GC is in session



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WHO?

Other United Methodist Bodies

Judicial Council

Agencies

General Secretaries & Agency Staff

Council of Bishops

Organize committee officer elections

Some serve as presidents of agency boards

Preachers in worship services

Preside in plenary sessions of the General Conference

Standing Committee on Central Conference Matters

Connectional Table



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WHO?

Annual Conference leaders and staff

United Methodist Association of Communicators (UMAC)

Official Guests, including ecumenical guests

Religious and Secular Press

Media credentials issued by GC upon recommendation of
UM Communications staff allow access to Press Room

Observers



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WHO?

Local Host support is being provided by the Western North Carolina Annual Conference and the North Carolina Annual Conference. Bishop Ken Carter and Mrs. Wanda Musgrave are leading the efforts in the Western North Carolina Annual Conference while Bishop Connie Shelton and Rev. Trish Archer are doing so in the North Carolina Annual Conference.



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HOW?

Registration & Credentials

Delegate enters registration with Credential Card and government-issued photo identification (driver's license, ID, or passport)

Individual registration (no group registration)

Interpretation provided by language services of GC

Photos on nametag

Committee on Credentials, if necessary



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HOW?

Orientations

General Conference delegates from annual conferences in the central conferences will receive orientation in a session being prepared by a steering committee with members from the Commission on the General Conference, Council of Bishops (CC bishops), and the General Secretaries' Table alongside the Secretary and Business Manager of the GC.

All delegates will receive orientation on Tuesday morning prior to lunch and the Opening Worship session.



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WHAT?

Worship

Special moments

Consecration of Home Missioners and Deaconesses

Ecumenical Service & Methodist Family Welcome

Commissioning of Missionaries

Thursdays in Black

Episcopal, Laity, and Young People's addresses

Christian Conferencing

Elections

Legislative Responsibility



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HOW?

Legislative Process

Review by Advance Legislative Research Panel (ALRP)

Legislative Committee

Election and training of officers

Consideration of petitions by sub-committee and/or committee and report of recommendation submitted as committee item to be included on consent calendar or calendared by the Committee on Agenda and Calendar for plenary consideration

Plenary action

(Voting will be on electronic voting devices.)



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HOW?

Legislative Process

Review of material by Secretary of the General Conference, Book Editor of the UM Publishing House, and the Committee on Correlation and Editorial Revision

All approved calendar items added to Book of Discipline or Book of Resolutions; referred or distributed as indicated; or sent to annual conferences for vote if proposed and approved Constitutional amendment



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HOW?

Administrative Committees

Agenda & Calendar

Correlation & Editorial Revision

Courtesies and Privileges

Credentials

Journal

Presiding Officers

Reference

Other Committees

Advance Legislative Research
Panel

Committee on Ethics

Standing Committee on
Central Conference Matters



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HOW?

Legislative Committees

Church and Society 1

Church and Society 2

Church and Society 3

Conferences

Discipleship

Faith and Order

Financial Administration

General Administration

Global Ministries

Higher Education/Superintendency

Independent Commissions

Judicial Administration

Local Church

Ordained Ministry

The Standing Committee on
Central Conference

Matters acts on legislation
related to the central
conferences.

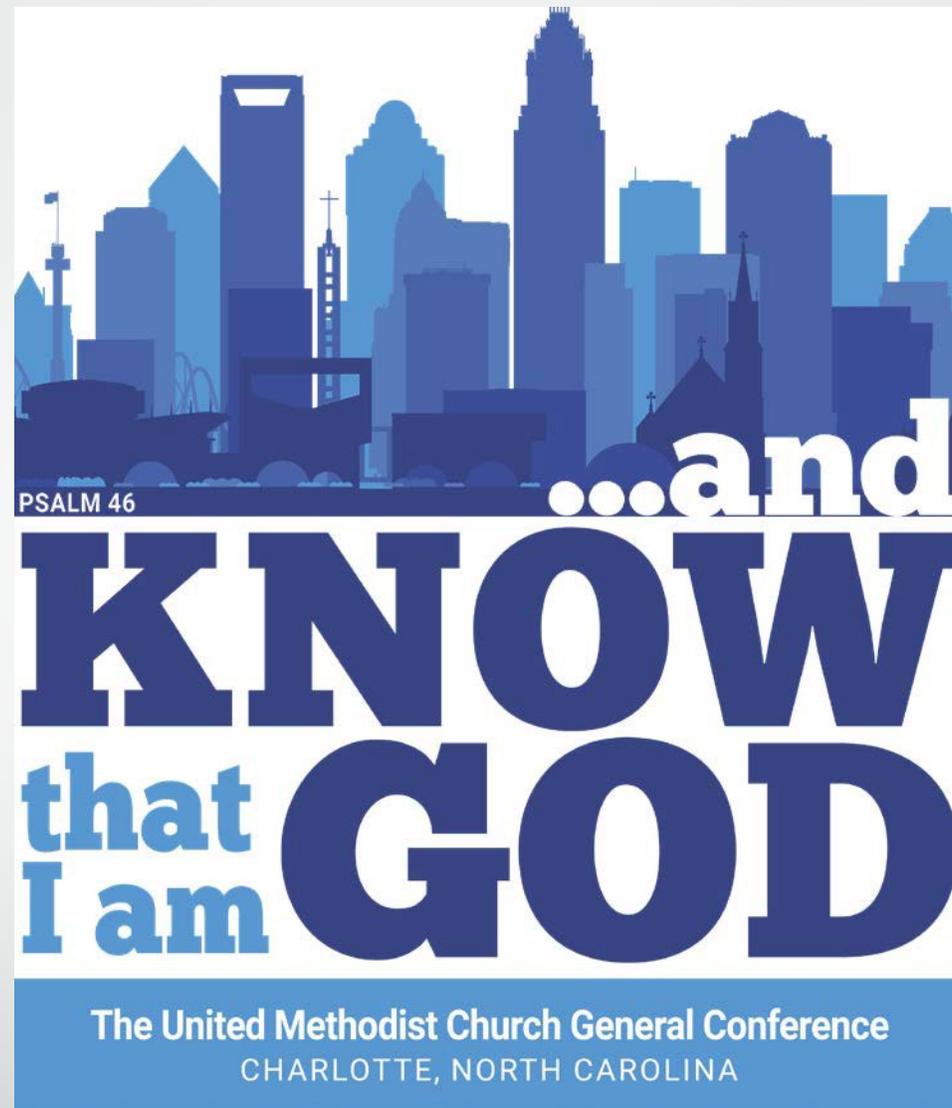


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WHAT?

Updated
Theme & Logo



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WHERE?



Charlotte, North Carolina
Charlotte Convention Center



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WHEN?

~~2020 Postponed~~

~~2021 Postponed~~

~~2022 Postponed~~

2024

April 23 – May 3, 2024



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Thank You!



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