

## Consent Calendar Explanation

There are three consent calendars: A) concurrence with proposed changes to the *Discipline*. B) concurrence with petitions on non-Disciplinary matters. C) non-concurrence on Disciplinary and non-Disciplinary items. The first day items will be listed as 01. The second day will be listed 02, and so forth. Items can be placed on the consent calendar if: 1) no more than five votes were cast against the prevailing position; 2) it has no financial implications; 3) the proposal does not require a constitutional amendment. Any five delegates may have a consent calendar item removed by signing the appropriate form found in Room 204. This form must be returned to the secretary by 3 p.m. on the day it appears in the *DCA*.

## Consent Calendar A02

### Correction:

#### 90-2203.7

The correct vote for this Calendar Item was: For: 65; Against: 0. This vote requires this calendar item to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

#### 93-604.1

Subject: Election of Secretary-Designate  
Committee Item: CO23-604.1-C  
Petition:  
21610-CO-604.1-D, Pg. 180  
Membership: 86; Present: 78;  
For: 77; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

#### 94-605

Subject: Responsibilities of the Secretary-Designate  
Committee Item: CO24-605-A  
Petition:  
21611-CO-605-D, Pg. 180  
Membership: 86; Present: 79;  
For: 78; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Renumber ¶ 605 as ¶ 604.2 and .3 and amend:

2. **Assumption of Office.**The secretary-designate shall assume the responsibilities of the office of secretary as soon after the adjournment of the General Conference as all work in connection with the session has been completed, including the corrections to the *Daily Christian Advocate*, which serves as the official journal of the General Conference. The exact date

of the transfer of responsibility to the secretary-designate shall be determined by the Commission on the General Conference, but shall not be later than December 31, following the adjournment of the General Conference.

3. **Assigned Duties.**The secretary, shall, at the request of the General Commission on the General Conference, assist in initiating procedures to inform delegates from outside the United States concerning both the operation of the General Conference and materials it will consider in cooperation with the General Commission on the General Conference, shall initiate procedures to prepare delegates from Central Conferences for full participation in the General Conference by providing information concerning both the operation of the General Conference and materials it will consider. As far as possible, the materials should be provided in the languages of the delegates.

After consultation with the Council of Bishops and the General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns the secretary shall issue invitations to ecumenical representatives.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

#### 95-608.2

Subject: General Conference Petitions  
Committee Item: CO25-608.2-C  
Petition:  
20709-CO-608.2-D, Pg. 181  
Membership: 86; Present: 82;  
For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

#### 96-703

Subject: Annual Conference Accessibility  
Committee Item: CO31-703-A  
Petition:  
20362-CO-703-D, Pg. 187  
Membership: 86; Present: 82;  
For: 78; Against: 1; Not Voting: 3;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Insert a new sub-paragraph after ¶703.3 and renumber accordingly:

The Annual Conference sessions and all conference meetings shall be held in places which are accessible to persons with disabilities. The following are guidelines as to what makes a place accessible:

#### Architectural Guidelines

a. All meeting rooms to be used are accessible to those in wheelchairs. Examples of things which may make a room accessible:

1) Everything is at ground level with no steps.

2) An elevator is available.

3) A ramp of size and maximum angle of 1/12 that wheelchairs can negotiate is available.

4) Door openings are at least 36 inches wide.

5) Pews or chairs are arranged to include space for wheelchairs.

b. Accessible washrooms.

c. Convenient parking for those with disabilities.

d. Curb cuts if curbs must be negotiated.

e. Adequate hand rails for safety.

f. Adequate lighting.

g. For overnight meetings, accessible lodging for participants.

#### Communications Guidelines

a. A loud speaker system.

b. ~~Sound equipment for the more profoundly hearing impaired.~~

c. ~~Signing for the deaf.~~

d. ~~Large print program materials or tape recordings available.~~

e. ~~Programs and directions making use of visuals, symbols, images, and sounds for persons who have difficulty communicating via the printed or spoken word.~~

#### Transportation Guidelines

~~If at all possible that Annual Conference and other major meetings be held at sites accessible by public or arranged transportation.~~

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### 97-707.4

Subject: Membership on Annual Conference Councils, Boards & Agencies

Committee Item: CO35-707.4-C

Petition:

22180-CO-707.4-D, Pg. 1268

Membership: 86; Present: 78;

For: 75; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

### 98-608.6

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO42-608.6-C

Petition:

22168-CO-608.6-D, Pg. 1263

Membership: 86; Present: 82;

For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

### 99-608.3

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO43-608.3-C

Petition:

22167-CO-608.3-D, Pg. 1263

Membership: 86; Present: 82;

For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

### 100-608.1

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO45-608.1-C

Petition:

22166-CO-608.1-D, Pg. 1263

Membership: 86; Present: 82;

For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

### 101-608.9

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO61-608.9-C

Petition:

22171-CO-608.9-D, Pg. 1264

Membership: 86; Present: 76;

For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

### 102-608.8

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO62-608.8-C

Petition:

22170-CO-608.8-D, Pg. 1263

Membership: 86; Present: 76;

For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

### 103-71

Subject: An Amendment on Men and Women

Committee Item: CS1-71-A

Petition:

20283-CS-71-D, Pg. 119

Membership: 102; Present: 95;

For: 89; Against: 4; Not Voting: 2;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

(Additions added by the Legislative Committee are underlined)

Add a new sub-paragraph after ¶71E:

*Women and Men.*—We affirm with scripture the basic similarity of the sexes and assert that it is human similarities and not differences that allow persons to find intimacy and partnership in accordance with Gods intention. We reject ~~the ancient dualism between male and female which has led to the erroneous notion that one gender is superior to another, and that one gender must strive against another, and that members of one gender may receive love, power and esteem only at the expense of another.~~ We especially reject the idea that God made individuals as incomplete fragments made whole only in ~~relationship to union with another.~~ We call upon women and men alike to share power and control, to learn to give freely and to receive freely, to be complete and to respect the wholeness of others. We seek for every individual opportunities and freedom to love and be loved, and to seek and receive justice and to practice moral ethical self-determination. We understand our gender diversity to be a gift from God, intended to add to the rich variety of human experience and perspective; and we guard against attitudes and traditions that would use this good gift to leave members of one sex more vulnerable in relationships than members of another.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

### 104-71

Subject: Divorce

Committee Item: CS2-71-A

Petition:

20922-CS-71-D, Pg. 122

Membership: 102; Present: 95;

For: 91; Against: 3; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

(Legislative Committee additions are underlined. First para. was split into two parts)

Delete ¶71D and substitute new text:

*D) Divorce.* When a married couple is estranged beyond reconciliation, even after thoughtful consideration and counsel, divorce is a regrettable alternative in the midst of broken-

ness. It is recommended that methods of mediation be used to minimize the adversarial nature and fault finding that is often part of our current judicial processes.

Although divorce publicly declares that a marriage no longer exists, other covenantal relationships resulting from the marriage remain, such as the nurture and support of children and extended family ties. We urge respectful negotiations in deciding the custody of minor children, and support the consideration of either or both parents for this responsibility, in that custody not be reduced to financial support, control or manipulation and retaliation. The welfare of each child is the most important consideration.

Divorce does not preclude a new marriage. We encourage an intentional commitment of the church and society to minister compassionately to those in the process of divorce, as well as members of divorced and remarried families in a community of faith where Gods grace is shared by all.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

### 107-72

**Subject:** Right to Health Care  
**Committee Item:** CS23-72-C  
**Petition:**  
20927-CS-72-D, Pg. 124  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 88;  
**For:** 87; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

### 108-72

**Subject:** Media Violence and Christian Values  
**Committee Item:** CS24-72-C  
**Petition:**  
20926-CS-72-D, Pg. 123  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 92;  
**For:** 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 109-72

**Subject:** Rights of Religious Minorities  
**Committee Item:** CS27-72-C  
**Petition:**  
20924-CS-72-D, Pg. 123  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 92;  
**For:** 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 110-76

**Subject:** Our Social Creed  
**Committee Item:** CS28-76-C  
**Petition:**  
20306-CS-76-D, Pg. 125  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 92;  
**For:** 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 111-72

**Subject:** Rights of Persons with Handicapping Conditions  
**Committee Item:** CS31-72-C  
**Petition:**  
22317-CS-72-D, Pg. 1226  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 91;  
**For:** 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 112-72

**Subject:** The Social Community: Rural Life  
**Committee Item:** CS32-72-C  
**Petition:**  
22319-CS-72-D, Pg. 1226  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 91;  
**For:** 89; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

### 113-72

**Subject:** Basic Rights of all Persons  
**Committee Item:** CS33-72-C  
**Petition:**  
20023-CS-72-D, Pg. 123  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 93;  
**For:** 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

### 105-70

**Subject:** Animal Life  
**Committee Item:** CS6-70-C  
**Petition:**  
20919-CS-70-D, Pg. 117  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 92;  
**For:** 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

### 106-70

**Subject:** Space  
**Committee Item:** CS9-70-C  
**Petition:**  
20920-CS-70-D, Pg. 117  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 88;  
**For:** 84; Against: 3; Not Voting: 1;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 114-1115

**Subject:** Bylaws  
**Committee Item:** CS63-1115-C  
**Petition:**  
20951-CS-1115-D, Pg. 129  
**Membership:** 102; Present: 93;  
**For:** 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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**115-1114**

**Subject: Headquarters**  
 Committee Item: CS65-1114-C  
 Petition:  
 20950-CS-1114-D, Pg. 129  
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;  
 For: 92; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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**116-1113.1**

**Subject: Staff**  
 Committee Item: CS68-1113.1-C  
 Petition:  
 20948-CS-1113.1-D, Pg. 129  
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;  
 For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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**117-1112**

**Subject: Internal Organization**  
 Committee Item: CS69-1112-C  
 Petition:  
 20947-CS-1112-D, Pg. 128  
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;  
 For: 91; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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**118-1111.2**

**Subject: Financial Support**  
 Committee Item: CS70-1111.2-C  
 Petition:  
 20946-CS-1111.2-D, Pg. 128  
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;  
 For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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**119-1111.1**

**Subject: Financial Support**  
 Committee Item: CS71-1111.1-C  
 Petition:

20945-CS-1111.1-D, Pg. 128  
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;  
 For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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**120-74**

**Subject: Civil Obedience and Civil Disobedience**  
 Committee Item: CS89-74-C  
 Petition:  
 20933-CS-74-D, Pg. 125  
 Membership: 102; Present: 88;  
 For: 85; Against: 1; Not Voting: 2;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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**121-74**

**Subject: Education**  
 Committee Item: CS90-74-C  
 Petition:  
 20932-CS-74-D, Pg. 125  
 Membership: 102; Present: 88;  
 For: 88; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

**122-68**

**Subject: Our Theological Task**  
 Committee Item: DI7-68-C  
 Petition:  
 20267-DI-68-D, Pg. 236  
 Membership: 112; Present: 104;  
 For: 104; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

**123-67**

**Subject: A Resolution of Intent**  
 Committee Item: DI18-67-C  
 Petition:  
 22865-DI-67-D, Pg. 1278  
 Membership: 112; Present: 104;  
 For: 103; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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**124-1216**

**Subject: Ministry of the Laity**  
 Committee Item: DI27-1216-C  
 Petition:  
 21408-DI-1216-D, Pg. 251  
 Membership: 112; Present: 105;  
 For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

**125-1212**

**Subject: Evangelism Responsibilities**  
 Committee Item: DI28-1212-C  
 Petition:  
 21406-DI-1212-D, Pg. 250  
 Membership: 112; Present: 105;  
 For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

**126-1210**

**Subject: Cooperation**  
 Committee Item: DI30-1210-C  
 Petition:  
 21404-DI-1210-D, Pg. 249  
 Membership: 112; Present: 103;  
 For: 103; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

**127-1208.1**

**Subject: Education Responsibilities**  
 Committee Item: DI31-1208.1-C  
 Petition:  
 21402-DI-1208.1-D, Pg. 249  
 Membership: 112; Present: 103;  
 For: 102; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrency Date /

**128-1208****Subject: Education Responsibilities and Standards**

Committee Item: DI32-1208-C

## Petition:

21401-DI-1208-D, Pg. 248

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**129-1207****Subject: Christian Education and Age-Level Ministries**

Committee Item: DI34-1207-C

## Petition:

21400-DI-1207-D, Pg. 248

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**130-1202.4****Subject: Board of Discipleship Responsibilities**

Committee Item: DI35-1202.4-C

## Petition:

22204-DI-1202.4-D, Pg. 1283

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**131-1202****Subject: Responsibilities of the General Board of Discipleship**

Committee Item: DI37-1202-C

## Petition:

21398-DI-1202-D, Pg. 246

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**132-1201****Subject: Purpose of the General Board of Discipleship**

Committee Item: DI38-1201-C

## Petition:

21397-DI-1201-D, Pg. 246

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**133-216****Subject: Admission into the Church**

Committee Item: DI39-216-A

## Petition:

21430-DI-216-D, Pg. 946

Membership: 112; Present: 101;

For: 99; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

## Amend ¶ 216:

1. [Delete existing text.] Christ constitutes the Church as his Body by the power of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:13, 27). The Church draws new persons into itself as it seeks to remain faithful to its commission to proclaim and exemplify the Gospel. Baptism is the sacrament of initiation and incorporation into the Body of Christ. An infant, child, or adult who is baptized becomes a member of the catholic (universal) Church, of the denomination, and a baptized member of the local congregation. (See ¶ 209.) After baptism, the Church provides the nurture which makes possible a comprehensive and lifelong process of growing in grace. Becoming a professing member requires the answer of faith of the baptized person made visible in a service of Profession of Christian Faith and Confirmation using the vows of the baptismal covenant (see ¶211).

a) Baptized infants and children are to be instructed and nurtured in the meaning of the faith, the rights and responsibilities of their baptism and in spiritual and moral formation, using materials approved by The United Methodist Church. Using the Services of the Baptismal Covenant youth will profess their faith, commit themselves to a life of discipleship and be confirmed. Confirmation is both a human act of commitment and the gracious action of the Holy Spirit

strengthening and empowering discipleship.

b) Youth and adults who have not been baptized and who are seeking to be saved from their sins and profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, are proper candidates for baptism in The United Methodist Church. It shall be the duty of the congregation, led by the pastor, to instruct them in the meaning of baptism, in the meaning of the Christian faith, and the history, organization, and teachings of The United Methodist Church, using materials approved by The United Methodist Church for that purpose. After the completion of the period of nurture and instruction, the sponsor(s) and pastor shall bring them before the congregation and administer the Services of Baptismal Covenant in which persons are baptized, confirmed and received into the Church.

2. [Delete existing text.] a) Formation in the baptismal covenant and in the call to ministry in daily life is a lifelong process and is carried on through all the activities which have educational value. The pastor gives specific leadership that prepares youth for their profession of faith and commitment to discipleship, and for the Holy Spirit's action confirming them in their faith and empowering their discipleship. This preparation focuses attention upon the meaning of discipleship and the need for professing members to be in mission in all of life's relationships.

b) There are many occasions as persons mature in the faith when the Holy Spirit's confirming action may be celebrated, such as in the reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant or other services related to life passages. Unlike baptism, which is a once-made covenant and can only be reaffirmed, not repeated, confirmation is a dynamic action of the Holy Spirit that can be repeated.

3. Preparation for the experience of confirmation profession of faith and confirmation shall be provided for all candidates for full membership persons, including adults, but youth who are completing the sixth grade shall normally be the youngest persons recruited for confirmation preparation and full membership such preparation. When younger persons, of their own volition, seek enrollment in confirmation preparation for profession of faith and confirmation, such preparation shall be at the discretion of the pastor.

4. Persons in preparation for full membership make up the preparatory roll of

the church. All baptized persons, including infants, children, youth, and adults shall be listed on the preparatory membership roll Roll of Baptized Members, and other persons who have declared their interest in church membership and have been rolled in confirmation preparation may be listed as preparatory members. (See also ¶¶ 223, 232-2.)

**5. Statistics of church membership are counts of professing members rather than of all baptized members.** For statistical purposes church membership is equated to the roll of professing members.

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### 134-211

**Subject: The Meaning of Membership**  
Committee Item: DI40-211-A  
Petition:  
21429-DI-211-D, Pg. 946  
Membership: 112; Present: 102;  
For: 99; Against: 3; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Change last sentence to read:

7. Such persons may also be asked to receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

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### 135-209

**Subject: Membership of a Local United Methodist Church**  
Committee Item: DI41-209-A  
Petition:  
21427-DI-209-D, Pg. 945  
Membership: 112; Present: 102;  
For: 99; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend ¶ 209:

The membership of a local United Methodist church shall include all baptized persons.—1. The baptized membership of a local United Methodist church shall include all baptized persons who have received Christian baptism in the local congregation or whose membership has been transferred to the local United Methodist church subsequent to baptism in

some other congregation. In valid baptism, water is administered in the name of the Triune God (specified in the ritual as Father, Son and Holy Spirit) by an authorized person and the Holy Spirit is invoked with the laying on of hands, ordinarily in the presence of the congregation.

2. The professing membership of a local United Methodist church shall include all baptized persons who have come into membership by confession profession of faith at baptism or confirmation, or by transfer, as expressed in services of baptism, confirmation, Profession of Christian Faith, reaffirmation of baptismal vows or transfer. (See ¶¶ 230, 232, 236, 243.) and whose names have not been removed from the membership rolls by reason of death, transfer, withdrawal, or removal for cause. (See ¶¶ 230, 232, 236-243.)

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### 136-243

**Subject: Membership Rolls**  
Committee Item: DI94-243-C  
Petition:  
21446-DI-243-D, Pg. 952  
Membership: 112; Present: 104;  
For: 103; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

### 137-221

**Subject: Care of Children and Youth**  
Committee Item: DI95-221-C  
Petition:  
21433-DI-221-D, Pg. 947  
Membership: 112; Present: 101;  
For: 100; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 138-105

**Subject: The General Ministry of all Christian Believers**  
Committee Item: DI98-105-C  
Petition:  
21425-DI-105-D, Pg. 942  
Membership: 112; Present: 104;  
For: 104; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 139-232

**Subject: Membership Records and Reports**  
Committee Item: DI99-232-A  
Petition:  
21444-DI-232-D, Pg. 952  
Membership: 112; Present: 101;  
For: 100; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Add a new ¶ after current ¶ 232:

For purpose of record, a permanent list of congregational baptisms with dates, birthdates, full names, addresses, full names of parents, godparents or sponsors, and officiating minister shall be kept by each local church. In the case of transfer to another congregation, death, or withdrawal notation of this shall be made in the baptismal record.

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### 140-243

**Subject: Transfer and Termination of Membership**  
Committee Item: DI100-243-A  
Petition:  
21446-DI-243-D, Pg. 953  
Membership: 112; Present: 103;  
For: 103; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Add a second new ¶ following current ¶ 243:

Persons may be removed from the roll of professing members by death, transfer, withdrawal, charge conference action or removal for cause (See ¶¶ 230, 232, 236-243, 2626.4.)

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### 141-230

**Subject: Care of Members**  
Committee Item: DI102-230-A  
Petition:  
21441-DI-230-D, Pg. 950  
Membership: 112; Present: 101;  
For: 96; Against: 4; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Renumber ¶ 230 as ¶ 228.2b and amend as follows:

2.b) While primary responsibility and initiative rests with each ~~individual~~ **professing** member faithfully to perform the vows of the **baptismal covenant membership** which have been solemnly assumed, if the **professed** member should be neglectful of that responsibility, these procedures shall be followed:

(1) If a **professed** member residing in the community...the membership secretary shall report that **professed** members name to the Administrative Council or the Council on Ministries, which shall do all in its power to reenlist the **professed** member in the active fellowship of the Church. It shall visit the **professed** member and make clear that, while the **professed** members name...and that, since the **professed** member is not attending the church where enrolled, the **professed** member is requested to do one of four things: (a) renew the vows and become a **regular worshiper** return to living in the community of the **baptismal covenant** in the church where the **professed** members name is recorded, (b) request transfer to another United Methodist church where the **professed** member will be a **regular worshiper** return to living in the community of the **baptismal covenant**, (c) arrange transfer to a particular church of another denomination, or (d) request withdrawal. If the **professed** member does not comply with any of the available alternatives over a period of ~~three~~ **two** years, the **professed** members name may be removed. (See § (4).)

(2) If a **professed** member whose address is known...encourage a transfer of the **professed** membership shall be followed each year until that **professed** member joins another church or requests in writing that the name be removed from the **roll of professing members membership roll**; provided, however, that if after ~~three~~ **two** years the council has not been able to relate that **professed** member to the church at the new place of residence, the name may be removed from the **roll of professing members** by the procedure of § (4) below.

(3) If the address of a **professed** member is no longer known...If the **professed** member can be located, the directives of either § (1) or § (2) above shall be fol-

lowed, but if after ~~three~~ **two** years of such efforts the address is still unknown, the **professed** members name may be removed from the **roll of professing members membership roll** by the procedure of § 4 below.

(4) If the directives of §§ (1), (2), or (3) above have been followed for the specified number of years without success, the **professed** members name may be removed from the **roll of professing members membership roll** by vote of the Charge Conference...provided that the **professed** members name shall have been entered in the minutes of the annual Charge Conference for ~~three~~ **two** consecutive years preceding removal...and if the action is on the basis of § (3), there shall be added: Reason: address unknown. The **membership of the person shall thereby be terminated, and However** the record thereof shall be retained; <sup>4</sup> provided that upon request the member may be restored to membership by recommendation of the pastor; in order that upon reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant the person may be restored as a **professing member**, and provided further, that should a transfer of **professing** membership be requested, the pastor may, after consultation with the person, restore the persons membership for this purpose and issue the certificate of transfer.

(5) Recognizing that the Church has a continuing moral and spiritual obligation to nurture all persons, even those whose names have been removed from the **roll of professing members membership roll**; it is recommended...

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 142-232

### Subject: Local Church Membership Rolls

Committee Item: D1103-232-A  
Petition:

21443-DI-232-D, Pg. 951  
Membership: 112; Present: 100;  
For: 99; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend ¶ 232:

Each local church shall accurately maintain the following membership rolls:

[Delete existing 1-6.]

1. Roll of Baptized Members (¶ 209).

2. Roll of Professing Members, containing all persons who have professed Christian faith atin services of baptism, confirmation, Profession of Christian Faith, reaffirmation of baptismal vows, or by transfer.

3. Roll of Constituents, containing the names and addresses of such persons as are not members of the church concerned, including unbaptized children, church school members, and other non-members for whom the local church has pastoral responsibility.

4. Roll of Affiliate Members (¶ 227).

5. Roll of Associate Members (¶ 227).

6. Persons Removed From The Roll of Professing Members (See ¶ 230.4).

7. Persons Removed From The Roll of Baptized Members (See first new ¶ following current ¶ 243.)

78. In the case of a Union or Federated Church...may report an equal share of the total **professing** membership to each judicatory....

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 143-1601

### Subject: Name

Committee Item: FA1-1601-C

Petition:

21481-FA-1601-D, Pg. 374  
Membership: 113; Present: 96;  
For: 96; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 144-1603

### Subject: Legal Entities

Committee Item: FA2-1603-C

Petition:

21483-FA-1603-D, Pg. 375  
Membership: 113; Present: 98;  
For: 97; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**145**-1604

**Subject:** Authorizations  
**Committee Item:** FA3-1604-C  
**Petition:**  
 21484-FA-1604-D, Pg. 376  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 103;  
**For:** 101; **Against:** 1; **Not Voting:** 1;  
**Date:** 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**146**-1605

**Subject:** Permanent Funds  
**Committee Item:** FA5-1605-A  
**Petition:**  
 21485-FA-1605-D, Pg. 379  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 98;  
**For:** 97; **Against:** 1; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows: In the first sentence of petition 21485-FA-1605-D, replace the words World Service Fund, the General Administration Fund, the Episcopal Fund, or any authorized general benevolent or administrative fund with the words general church funds.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**147**-1606.1

**Subject:** Powers, Duties, and Responsibilities  
**Committee Item:** FA6-1606.1-A  
**Petition:**  
 21486-FA-1606.1-D, Pg. 379  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 100;  
**For:** 97; **Against:** 1; **Not Voting:** 2;  
**Date:** 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

In Paragraph 7, line 7, following the word However insert: for plan years beginning after December 31, 1998.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**148**-2512

**Subject:** The Methodist Corporation  
**Committee Item:** FA10-2512-C  
**Petition:**  
 21591-FA-2512-D, Pg. 383

**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 96;  
**For:** 96; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**149**-2519

**Subject:** Board of Church Location and Building  
**Committee Item:** FA12-2519-C  
**Petition:**  
 20318-FA-2519-D, Pg. 383  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 97;  
**For:** 97; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**150**-2521

**Subject:** Approval of construction, purchase, or remodeling plans for local churches  
**Committee Item:** FA13-2521-C  
**Petition:**  
 20319-FA-2521-D, Pg. 383  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 97;  
**For:** 97; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**151**-905.5

**Subject:** Staff  
**Committee Item:** FA24-905.5-C  
**Petition:**  
 21571-FA-905.5-D, Pg. 367  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 98;  
**For:** 98; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**152**-905.4

**Subject:** Committee on Audit and Review

**Committee Item:** FA25-905.4-C  
**Petition:**  
 21570-FA-905.4-D, Pg. 366  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 98;  
**For:** 98; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**153**-907.7

**Subject:** Other Administrative Responsibilities  
**Committee Item:** FA38-907.7-C  
**Petition:**  
 21578-FA-907.7-D, Pg. 369  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 102;  
**For:** 102; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**154**-907

**Subject:** Other Administrative Responsibilities  
**Committee Item:** FA39-907-C  
**Petition:**  
 21577-FA-907-D, Pg. 369  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 102;  
**For:** 102; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**155**-907.15

**Subject:** Other Administrative Responsibilities  
**Committee Item:** FA47-907.15-C  
**Petition:**  
 21582-FA-907.15-D, Pg. 370  
**Membership:** 113; **Present:** 101;  
**For:** 101; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;  
**Date:** 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /



**156**<sup>-907.14</sup>**Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities**

Committee Item: FA48-907.14-C

Petition:

21581-FA-907.14-D, Pg. 370

Membership: 113; Present: 101;

For: 100; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**157**<sup>-907.13</sup>**Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities**

Committee Item: FA50-907.13-C

Petition:

21580-FA-907.13-D, Pg. 370

Membership: 113; Present: 102;

For: 101; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**158**<sup>-907.8</sup>**Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities**

Committee Item: FA51-907.8-C

Petition:

21579-FA-907.8-D, Pg. 370

Membership: 113; Present: 103;

For: 102; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**159**<sup>-909</sup>**Subject: Responsibilities of the Treasurer**

Committee Item: FA52-909-C

Petition:

21583-FA-909-D, Pg. 370

Membership: 113; Present: 103;

For: 102; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**160**<sup>-911.1</sup>**Subject: General Policies**

Committee Item: FA94-911.1-C

Petition:

21585-FA-911.1-D, Pg. 371

Membership: 113; Present: 103;

For: 103; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**161**<sup>-1706</sup>**Subject: Reduction in size of the Executive Committee of the****General Board of Publication**

Committee Item: FA111-1706-C

Petition:

20775-FA-1706-D, Pg. 382

Membership: 113; Present: 102;

For: 101; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**162**<sup>-1707</sup>**Subject: Reduction in the number of members required to call a meeting****of the Executive Committee**

Committee Item: FA112-1707-C

Petition:

20776-FA-1707-D, Pg. 382

Membership: 113; Present: 102;

For: 102; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**163**<sup>-915.4</sup>**Subject: Advance Specials**

Committee Item: GJ12-915.4-C

Petition:

21305-GJ-915.4-D, Pg. 704

Membership: 98; Present: 92;

For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**164**<sup>-915.5</sup>**Subject: Promotion of Advance Specials and One Great Hour of Sharing**

Committee Item: GJ13-915.5-C

Petition:

21306-GJ-915.5-D, Pg. 704

Membership: 98; Present: 92;

For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**165**<sup>-2622</sup>**Subject: Fair Process**

Committee Item: GJ26-2622-C

Petition:

21265-GJ-2622-D, Pg. 1092

Membership: 98; Present: 87;

For: 87; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**166**<sup>-1007.1</sup>**Subject: Length of Service on General Council on Ministries**

Committee Item: GJ30-1007.1-C

Petition:

21542-GJ-1007.1-D, Pg. 1332

Membership: 98; Present: 93;

For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**167**<sup>-1006.6</sup>**Subject: Responsibilities of the General Council on Ministries**

Committee Item: GJ32-1006.6-C

Petition:

21658-GJ-1006.6-D, Pg. 706

Membership: 98; Present: 90;

For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconurrence Date /

**168**-1006.13

**Subject: Responsibilities of the General Council on Ministry**  
Committee Item: GJ34-1006.13-C  
Petition:

21262-GJ-1006.13-D, Pg. 707  
Membership: 98; Present: 91;  
For: 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**169**-821

**Subject: Closed Session**  
Committee Item: GJ35-821-C  
Petition:

21540-GJ-821-D, Pg. 1330  
Membership: 98; Present: 92;  
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**170**-821

**Subject: Meetings**  
Committee Item: GJ36-821-C  
Petition:

21594-GJ-821-D, Pg. 703  
Membership: 98; Present: 92;  
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**171**-814.5

**Subject: Provisions Pertaining to Staff**  
Committee Item: GJ40-814.5-C  
Petition:

21490-GJ-814.5-D, Pg. 702  
Membership: 98; Present: 92;  
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**172**-814.3

**Subject: Provisions Pertaining to Staff**

Committee Item: GJ43-814.3-C

Petition:  
21489-GJ-814.3-D, Pg. 701  
Membership: 98; Present: 90;  
For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**173**-802.4

**Subject: Amenability and Program Accountability**  
Committee Item: GJ44-802.4-C  
Petition:

21650-GJ-802.4-D, Pg. 695  
Membership: 98; Present: 90;  
For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**174**-815

**Subject: Policies relative to nondiscrimination**  
Committee Item: GJ48-815-C  
Petition:

20321-GJ-815-D, Pg. 702  
Membership: 98; Present: 92;  
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**175**-814.10

**Subject: Provisions Pertaining to Staff**

Committee Item: GJ49-814.10-C  
Petition:

21657-GJ-814.10-D, Pg. 702  
Membership: 98; Present: 92;  
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**176**-816

**Subject: Policies Relative to Socially Responsible Investments**  
Committee Item: GJ50-816-C

Petition:

21593-GJ-816-D, Pg. 702  
Membership: 98; Present: 92;  
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**177**-1460

**Subject: Training of Disaster Response Coordinators: Responsibility of U.M.C.O.R.**

Committee Item: GM18-1460-C  
Petition:  
22282-GM-1460-D, Pg. 1359  
Membership: 126; Present: 115;  
For: 114; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**178**-1403.1

**Subject: Objectives of the General Board of Global Ministries**

Committee Item: GM49-1460.1-C  
Petition:  
22281-GM-1403.1-D, Pg. 1358  
Membership: 126; Present: 116;  
For: 116; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Modify petition to read National United Methodist Native American Center

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**179**-1531

**Subject: Schools of Theology**  
Committee Item: HE7-1531-C  
Petition:

21338-HE-1531-D, Pg. 824  
Membership: 86; Present: 80;  
For: 80; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

**180**-1515.3

**Subject: Responsibilities of the Board of Higher Education**

Committee Item: HE12-1515.3-A  
 Petition:  
 20326-HE-1515.-D, Pg. 824  
 Membership: 86; Present: 79;  
 For: 74; Against: 1; Not Voting: 4;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

In the second line, delete people with disabilities and insert persons with disabilities.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 181-1505.3

**Subject: Objectives of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry**

Committee Item: HE19-1505.3-C  
 Petition:  
 21273-HE-1505.3-D, Pg. 822  
 Membership: 86; Present: 79;  
 For: 78; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 182-1508.1

**Subject: Divisions of General Board of Higher Education and Ministry**

Committee Item: HE20-1508.1-C  
 Petition:  
 22946-HE-1508.1-D, Pg. 1508  
 Membership: 86; Present: 80;  
 For: 79; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 183-732

**Subject: Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry**

Committee Item: HE49-732-A  
 Petition:  
 21662-HE-732-D, Pg. 821  
 Membership: 86; Present: 77;  
 For: 76; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

In the first sentence of petition 21662-HE-732-D, restore the word equivalent

and delete the word other immediately before the phrase structure to provide...

At the end of subparagraph 2, add or equivalent structure, after the words Campus Ministry.

Also, retain subparagraph 3 with the insertion of the words or equivalent structure after the words Campus Ministry.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 184-1803

**Subject: Purpose of the General Commission on Archives and History**

Committee Item: IC27-1803-C  
 Petition:  
 20765-IC-1803-D, Pg. 906  
 Membership: 71; Present: 68;  
 For: 64; Against: 0; Not Voting: 4;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 185-1808

**Subject: Executive Committee**

Committee Item: IC28-1808-C  
 Petition:  
 20767-IC-1808-D, Pg. 907  
 Membership: 71; Present: 62;  
 For: 59; Against: 2; Not Voting: 1;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 186-1812.1

**Subject: Historic Sites, Historic Shrines, and Historic Landmarks**

Committee Item: IC29-1812.1-C  
 Petition:  
 20769-IC-1812.1-D, Pg. 907  
 Membership: 71; Present: 68;  
 For: 67; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 187-1812.2

**Subject: Present Historic Shrines**

Committee Item: IC30-1812.2-C  
 Petition:  
 20770-IC-1812.2-D, Pg. 907

Membership: 71; Present: 68;  
 For: 64; Against: 0; Not Voting: 4;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 188-1812.3

**Subject: Present Historic Landmarks**

Committee Item: IC31-1812.3-C  
 Petition:  
 20771-IC-1812.3-D, Pg. 907  
 Membership: 71; Present: 68;  
 For: 66; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 189-1811.3

**Subject: Procedures**

Committee Item: IC51-1811.3-C  
 Petition:  
 20768-IC-1811.3-D, Pg. 907  
 Membership: 71; Present: 65;  
 For: 60; Against: 0; Not Voting: 5;  
 Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 190-2402.2

**Subject: Representatives to the National Council of the Council of the Church of Christ Governing Board**

Committee Item: IC70-2402.2-C  
 Petition:  
 21074-IC-2402.2-D, Pg. 914  
 Membership: 71; Present: 68;  
 For: 68; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 191-248

**Subject: The Local Church Historian**

Committee Item: LC50-248-C  
 Petition:  
 21644-LC-248-D, Pg. 954  
 Membership: 89; Present: 77;

For: 75; Against: 2; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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## 192-2525

**Subject: Local Church Board of Trustees—Qualifications**

Committee Item: LC55-2525-C

Petition:

21597-LC-2525-D, Pg. 965

Membership: 89; Present: 79;

For: 78; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 193-244

**Subject: Organization and administration of the local church**

Committee Item: LC101-244-A

Petition:

20342-LC-244-D, Pg. 953

Membership: 89; Present: 79;

For: 78; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend the first paragraph ¶244: Insert **growth in** in first sentence after strengthening and and before spiritual formation.

Amend the second paragraph of ¶244:

In carrying out its primary task, it shall be organized so that adequate provision is made for these basic responsibilities: (1) planning and implementing a program of nurture, outreach, and witness for persons and families within and without the congregation, including ministries with children, youth, younger adults, adults, older adults, singles, families, church school, Christian unity, interfaith relations, social justice issues, education, evangelism, campus ministry, spiritual formation, religion and race, community, national and global missions, stewardship, worship, and communications; (2) providing for effective pastoral and lay leadership; (3) providing for financial support, physical facilities, and the local obligations of the church; (4) utilizing the appropriate relationships and resources of the district and annual conference; (5) providing for the proper creation, maintenance, and disposition of documentary record material of the local church.—See

~~¶1811.16;~~ and (6) seeking inclusiveness in all aspects of its life without regard to race, gender, age, national origin or handicapping conditions disabilities.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 194-245

**Subject: Basic Organizational Plan for the Local Church**

Committee Item: LC104-245-A

Petition:

20696-LC-245-D, Pg. 953

Membership: 89; Present: 79;

For: 76; Against: 3; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend Paragraph 1 of petition by adding as follows:

**Each local congregation shall provide a comprehensive program of nurture, outreach, and witness, along with leadership training, and the planning and administration of the congregations organizational and temporal life, in accordance with the mission of the United Methodist Church (See Paragraphs 101-114).**

Amend Paragraph 2 of petition as follows:

1. [Delete existing text.] **The Church Council and all other administrative and programmatic structures of the local church shall be amenable to the Charge Conference (see ¶247) The Church Council shall function as the executive agency of the Charge Conference.**

Amend Paragraph 3 of the petition by eliminating 245.2, as follows:

[Delete existing text.] **The pastor shall be the chief administrative officer of the local church and charge and shall be a member of the Charge Conference and an ex officio member (with vote) of all boards, councils, commissions, committees, and task forces elected or appointed in the church/charge, except as otherwise provided by the Discipline.**

Amend Paragraph 4 of the petition:

[Delete existing text.]

2. Alternative plans may be developed in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 248.2. Such alternatives include: Nurture, Outreach, and Witness Ministries; Administrative Council; or Administrative Board/Council on Ministries.

4. [Delete.]

The new Paragraph 245 would read as follows:

The basic organizational plan for the local church shall include provision for the following units: a Charge Conference, a Church Council, a Committee on Pastor-Parish Relations, a Board of Trustees, a Committee on Finance, a Committee on Nominations and Personnel, and such other elected leaders, commissions, councils, committees, and task forces as the Charge Conference may determine. Every local church shall develop a plan for organizing its administrative and programmatic responsibilities. Each local congregation shall provide a comprehensive program of nurture, outreach, and witness, along with leadership training, and the planning and administration of the congregations organizational and temporal life, in accordance with the mission of the United Methodist Church (See Paragraphs 101-114).

1. The Church Council and all other administrative and programmatic structures of the local church shall be amenable to the Charge Conference (see ¶247) The Church Council shall function as the executive agency of the Charge Conference.

2. Alternative plans may be developed in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 248.2. Such alternatives include: Nurture, Outreach, and Witness Ministries; Administrative Council; or Administrative Board/Council on Ministries.

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## 195-101

**Subject: The Mission and Ministry of the Church**

Committee Item: LC105-101-A

Petition:

20244-LC-101-2, Pg. 941

Membership: 89; Present: 80;

For: 78; Against: 2; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Create a new ¶ 101:

Amend Section I, The Mission, by:

Substituting in Paragraph 2 of the Rationale for This mission...God intends, the sentence: **This mission is our grace-filled response to the Reign of God in the world announced by Jesus.**

Inserting at the front of Paragraph 3 the sentence: **John Wesley and our other spiritual forebears understood this mission in this way.**

Substituting, in The Process, bulleted item 4: **servants of Christ for disciples**

and adding after the oppressed, the phrase: **and working to have social structures consistent with the Gospel;**

Inserting after —continue...Body of Christ, a new subhead: **The Global Nature of Our Mission**

In last paragraph:

Substitute fulfill for fulfill.

Insert after The Church and before fulfills the words: **seeks to.**

Insert after Spirit-given the word: **servant.**

### I. The Mission

The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ.

#### Rationale for Our Mission

Jesus' words in Matthew 28:19-20 provide the Church with our mission: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you."

This mission is our grace-filled response to the Reign of God in the world announced by Jesus. God's grace is active everywhere, at all times, carrying out this purpose as revealed in the Bible. It is *expressed* in God's covenant with Abraham and Sarah, in the Exodus of Israel from Egypt, and in the ministry of the prophets. It is fully *embodied* in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is *experienced* in the ongoing creation of a new people by the Holy Spirit.

John Wesley and our other spiritual forebears understood this mission in this way. Whenever United Methodism has had a clear sense of mission, God has used our Church to save persons, heal relationships, and transform social structures, thereby changing the world. In order to be truly alive, we embrace Jesus' mandate to make disciples of all peoples.

#### The Process for Carrying Out Our Mission

We make disciples as we:

— proclaim the gospel, seek, welcome and gather persons into the Body of Christ;

— lead persons to commit their lives to God through Jesus Christ;

— nurture persons in Christian living through worship, baptism, communion, Bible study, prayer, and other means of grace;

— send persons into the world to live lovingly and justly as servants of Christ by healing the sick, feeding the hungry, caring for the stranger, and freeing the oppressed; and working to have social structures consistent with the Gospel; and

— continue the mission of seeking, welcoming and gathering persons into the community of the Body of Christ.

#### The Global Nature of Our Mission

The Church seeks to fulfill its global mission through the Spirit-given servant ministries of all Christians, both lay and clergy. Faithfulness and effectiveness demand that all ministries in the Church be shaped by the mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 196-101

**Subject: The Mission of the Church**

Committee Item: LC106-101-C

Petition:

20241-LC-101-D, Pg. 941

Membership: 89; Present: 81;

For: 81; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 197-103

**Subject: The Churches**

Committee Item: LC107-103-C

Petition:

20243-LC-103-D, Pg. 942

Membership: 89; Present: 81;

For: 81; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 198-102

**Subject: The Ministry of all Christians**

Committee Item: LC108-102-C

Petition:

20242-LC-102-D, Pg. 942

Membership: 89; Present: 81;  
For: 81; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 199-112

**Subject: The Journey of a Connectional People**

Committee Item: LC114-112-A

Petition:

21641-LC-112-D, Pg. 943

Membership: 89; Present: 81;

For: 81; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Change language from third person to first person.

[ ] Concurrence [ ] Nonconcurrence Date /

## 200-206.2

**Subject: Cooperative Parish Ministries**

Committee Item: LC116-206.2-A

Petition:

20901-LC-206.2-D, Pg. 944

Membership: 89; Present: 81;

For: 80; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend ¶ 206:

2. [Next to last sentence] A ~~superintendent or conference~~ director of parish development ~~may~~ shall be appointed to work with the Cabinet(s) and other appropriate agencies in the implementation of these ministries in a conference or an area. In addition, district superintendents shall submit to the director of parish development recommendations annually...

4. [Delete existing text.] Each general board and agency shall arrange for its directors and staff to be trained in cooperative ministry concepts better to provide support resources for annual conferences and local churches.

5. Bishops, district superintendents, conference staff, and other leaders shall become familiar, through training, with the benefits of cooperative ministries. They shall provide leadership and training opportunities for pastors and local church leaders as to the value of co-

operative ministries in moving toward excellence in nurture, outreach, and witness ministries. They are to explore and develop meaningful ministries to persons in congregations, communities, and the global community.

56. Cabinets shall be urged to give priority in the appointment process to appointing directors and clergy staff of cooperative parishes, especially cooperative parish ministries, who have been trained in cooperative ministry concepts and who have demonstrated effective ministries of nurture, outreach, and witness and to development and im-

plementation. The Cabinet shall develop and implement of strategies designed to enable and equip pastors presently appointed to cooperative parishes parish ministries to provide...

7. Annual conferences and cabinets are urged to assist in the development and strengthening of cooperative ministries by pursuing funding assistance from general church, annual conference, and other sources for each cooperative ministry, including cooperative parish ministries.

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## 201-201

**Subject: The Mission of the Church**  
Committee Item: LC119-201-C  
Petition:

20223-LC-201-D, Pg. 944  
Membership: 89; Present: 79;  
For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 202-R633

**Subject: Ratification of United Nations Covenants and Conventions by the United States**

Committee Item: CS44-R633-C  
Petition:

21050-CS-R633-U, Pg. 159  
Membership: 102; Present: 88;  
For: 77; Against: 5; Not Voting: 6;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 203-R648

**Subject: In Support of the United Nations**

Committee Item: CS48-R648-C  
Petition:

21052-CS-R648-U, Pg. 163  
Membership: 102; Present: 88;  
For: 82; Against: 2; Not Voting: 4;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 204-R561

**Subject: Peace, The United Methodist Church and**

Committee Item: CS50-R561-C  
Petition:

21049-CS-R561-U, Pg. 157  
Membership: 102; Present: 88;  
For: 78; Against: 3; Not Voting: 7;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 205-R643

**Subject: Terrorism**

Committee Item: CS51-R643-C  
Petition:

21051-CS-R643-U, Pg. 162  
Membership: 102; Present: 88;  
For: 87; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 206-NonDis

**Subject: Removal of reduction of U.S. military bases in Okinawa**

Committee Item: CS52-NonDis-C  
Petition:

20361-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 149  
Membership: 102; Present: 88;  
For: 80; Against: 5; Not Voting: 3;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 207-NonDis

**Subject: Campaign Finance Reform in the United States**

Committee Item: CS92-NonDis-C  
Petition:

22889-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 1248

Membership: 102; Present: 88;  
For: 83; Against: 2; Not Voting: 3;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 208-R245

**Subject: Ecumenical Interpretations of Doctrinal Standards**

Committee Item: DI14-R245-C  
Petition:

21056-DI-R245-U, Pg. 265  
Membership: 112; Present: 104;  
For: 101; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;  
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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### 209-NonDis

**Subject: Report Three: Petitions Referred By The 1992 General Conference**

Committee Item: FA8-NonDis-C  
Petition:

21512-FA-NonDis-O, Pg. 532  
Membership: 113; Present: 98;  
For: 94; Against: 3; Not Voting: 1;  
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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