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**PROGRAM & AGENDA**

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**General Conference Headquarters**  
**Silver Spring, Maryland**  
**October 10-16, 2019**

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THURSDAY PROGRAM

October 10, 2019

3:00-6:00 pm  
6:00-8:30 pm

On-Site Check-In  
LEAD Conference

FRIDAY PROGRAM

October 11, 2019

8:00-9:00 am  
8:00 am-12:00 pm  
6:30-8:30 pm

LEAD Conference Devotional  
LEAD Conference  
Mission Advance

SABBATH PROGRAM

October 12, 2019

8:15-8:45 am  
9:00 am-10:25 am  
10:25 am-12:05 pm  
1:30-3:30 pm

United in Prayer Time (Auditorium)  
Sabbath School (Ramon Canals)  
Worship Service  
Mission Advance

DAILY PROGRAMOctober 13, 2019

7:00-7:45 am	Steering Committee*
7:15-7:45 am	United in Prayer Time**
8:00-9:00 am	Devotional
10:00 am-5:00 pm	Prayer Chapel Hours
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Business Session

## LUNCH

2:00-5:30 pm	Business Session
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October 14, 2019

7:00-7:45 am	Steering Committee*
7:15-7:45 am	United in Prayer Time**
8:00-9:00 am	Devotional
10:00 am-5:00 pm	Prayer Chapel Hours
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Business Session

## LUNCH

2:00-5:30 pm	Business Session
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\*Located in the Executive Dining Room by the Cafeteria

\*\*Located in the Atrium by the painting of Jesus' Second Coming

October 15, 2019

7:00-7:45 am	Steering Committee*
7:15-7:45 am	United in Prayer Time**
8:00-9:00 am	Devotional
10:00 am-5:00 pm	Prayer Chapel Hours
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Business Session
LUNCH	
2:00-5:30 pm	Business Session

October 16, 2019

7:00-7:45 am	Steering Committee*
7:15-7:45 am	United in Prayer Time**
8:00-9:00 am	Devotional
10:00 am-5:00 pm	Prayer Chapel Hours
9:00 am-1:00 pm	Business Session

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DEVOTIONAL TOPICS AND SPEAKERS

8:00 - 9:00 am

*Reach the World: Faithfulness to Christian Lifestyle*

Sunday, October 13

Neil Nedley

*“Wholeness in Christ and Our Commitment to His Health Principles“*

Monday, October 14

Vicki Griffin

*“God’s Leading in My Life and Yours”*

Tuesday, October 15

Ross Grant

*“Lifestyle Choice and our Ability to Connect with God”*

Wednesday, October 16

Ron Kelly

*“Complete Restoration in Christ”*

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BUSINESS MEETINGS

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Editor</u>
<u>Thursday, October 10</u> pm	Ella S Simmons	G T Ng	Hensley M Mooroven
<u>Friday, October 11</u> am pm	Artur A Stele Guillermo E Biaggi	Claude J Richli John H Thomas	Hensley M Mooroven Hensley M Mooroven
<u>Sunday, October 13</u> am  pm	Ted N C Wilson Artur A Stele  Ted N C Wilson Geoffrey G Mbwana	Gary D Krause  Elbert Kuhn	Hensley M Mooroven  Hensley M Mooroven
<u>Monday, October 14</u> am  pm	Ted N C Wilson Ella S Simmons  Ted N C Wilson Thomas L Lemon	Karen J Porter  Gerson P Santos	Hensley M Mooroven  Hensley M Mooroven
<u>Tuesday, October 15</u> am  pm	Ted N C Wilson Guillermo E Biaggi  Ted N C Wilson	Claude J Richli  John H Thomas	Hensley M Mooroven  Hensley M Mooroven
<u>Wednesday, October 16</u> am	Ted N C Wilson Abner De los Santos	G Alexander Bryant	Hensley M Mooroven

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This explanation is to help you use the 2019 Annual Council agenda and support material.

1. The agenda lists the items of business that are to be considered at the business meetings of the Annual Council. Except for a few routine items, almost all have been considered previously at meetings of the General Conference Executive Committee or its standing subcommittees.

2. If an agenda item has support material, you will find a number at the end of the agenda title. That is the page number where the support material will be found.

3. Many agenda items have a code that precedes the agenda title. Each code has five digits followed by one, two, three, or occasionally four letters. This is a computer identification code which is used to keep track of the item. You will find the same code on any corresponding support material.

4. The support material will have the titles of the items just as they appear on the agenda list. To the right of the title is the item's number in the agenda sequence.

5. Just above the title on the first page of the support material for each item, is the reference line. This line identifies the source(s), traces the history of the item, and also shows its routing. The glossary on pages I to K identifies the organizations and committees which have given prior consideration to a particular item and where it will be considered next. The series of acronyms to the left of the word "to" traces the past history of the item. To the right are the initials of the General Conference officer who is responsible for presenting the item. Occasionally, its future routing is suggested also.

6. If a code number appears in the reference line, it shows that the item has been considered during a previous administrative year. An administrative year extends from the close of one Annual Council to the close of the next Annual Council.

GLOSSARY OF MOST FREQUENTLY USED ACRONYMS

AAIM	Adventist AIDS International Ministry
AC	Annual Council
ACM	Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries
ADCOM	Administrative Committee
ADRA	Adventist Development and Relief Agency
AIIAS	Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies
AM	Adventist Mission
AR	<i>Adventist Review</i>
ARM	Adventist Risk Management
APM	Adventist Possibility Ministries
ASTR	Archives, Statistics, and Research
AU	Andrews University
AUA	Adventist University of Africa
AVS	Adventist Volunteer Services
AWR	Adventist World Radio
BRI	Biblical Research Institute
CHM	Children's Ministries
COM	Communication
ECD	East-Central Africa Division
EDU	Education
ESD	Euro-Asia Division
EUD	Inter-European Division
FM	Family Ministries
GC	General Conference
GCAS	General Conference Auditing Service
GCC	General Conference Executive Committee
GCDO	General Conference and Division Officers

GCS	General Conference Session
GRI	Geoscience Research Institute
HC	Hope Channel
HM	Health Ministries
HR	Human Resources
IF	Israel Field
IAD	Inter-American Division
IPRS	International Personnel Resources and Services
IWM	Institute of World Mission
LLU	Loma Linda University
MENA	Middle East and North Africa Union Mission
MIN	Ministerial Association
MPPC	Mission Personnel Processing Committee
NAD	North American Division
NSD	Northern Asia-Pacific Division
OGC	Office of General Counsel
PARL	Public Affairs and Religious Liberty
PRE	Presidential
PreC	Presidents Council (General Conference and Division Presidents)
PREXAD	President's Executive Administrative Council
PUB	Publishing Ministries
RHPA	Review and Herald Publishing Association
SAD	South American Division
SEC	Secretariat
SecC	Secretaries Council (General Conference and Division Secretaries)
SID	Southern Africa-Indian Ocean Division
SM	Spring Meeting
SPD	South Pacific Division
SSD	Southern Asia-Pacific Division

SSPM	Sabbath School and Personal Ministries
STW	Stewardship Ministries
SUD	Southern Asia Division
TED	Trans-European Division
TRE	Treasury
TreC	Treasurers Council (General Conference and Division Treasurers)
TRS	Planned Giving and Trust Services
WAD	West-Central Africa Division
WHT	Ellen G White Estate, Inc.
WM	Women's Ministries
YOU	Youth Ministries

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Add Ketting-Weller, Ginger (AIIAS)  
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Delete Guptill, Stephen R (AIIAS)  
Tasker, Carol (SPD)

Adventist-Laymen's Services And Industries (ASI) Coordinating Committee (GCC-S)—Membership Adjustment

Add Perez, Roy (SSD)

Delete Lip, Sin, Yew (SSD)

General Conference Executive Committee (GCC)—Membership Adjustment

Add           Aguilar Molina, Elizabeth E, Layperson (IAD)  
Baptista, Lopes, Pastor (SID)  
Dvoryachek, Oleg L, Layperson (ESD)  
Gebriel, Bahiru Wolde, Pastor (ECD)  
Li, Xin Pen, Layperson (NSD)  
Meekma, Glenn Jr, 40 Members At-Large (Employee)  
Ntawanga, Claudine K, Additional Pastor/Frontline (ECD)  
Souhuwat-Tomasoa, Frieda, Layperson (TED)  
Wang, Xiao Rui, 40 Members At-Large (Laity)

Delete         Aguirre, Alma L, Layperson (IAD)  
Hailu, Esubalew Mehret, Pastor (ECD)  
Ivanov, Aleksandr, Layperson (ESD)  
Mutambuleno, Tito A, Pastor (SID)  
Rakamaric, Irena S, Layperson (TED)  
Schalk, Lawrence E, 40 Members At-Large (Employee)  
Vumilia, Evelyne M, Additional Pastor/Frontline (ECD)  
Xu, Li Li, 40 Members At-Large (Laity)  
Zhou, Wei Jun, Layperson (NSD)

General Conference Mission Board (GCC-B)—Membership Adjustment

Add           Ketting-Weller, Ginger (AIIAS)

Delete         Guptill, Stephen R (AIIAS)

International Board of Education (GCC-B)—Membership Adjustment

Add           Ketting-Weller, Ginger (AIIAS)  
McClintock, David (SPD)

Delete         Guptill, Stephen R (AIIAS)  
Tasker, Carol (SPD)

MISSION STATEMENT  
OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

**Our Mission**—Make disciples of Jesus Christ who live as His loving witnesses and proclaim to all people the everlasting gospel of the Three Angels' Messages in preparation for His soon return (Matt 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, Rev 14:6-12).

**Our Method**— Guided by the Bible and the Holy Spirit, Seventh-day Adventists pursue this mission through Christ-like living, communicating, discipling, teaching, healing, and serving.

**Our Vision**— In harmony with Bible revelation, Seventh-day Adventists see as the climax of God's plan the restoration of all His creation to full harmony with His perfect will and righteousness.

1 SEC/ADCOM to HMM-19AC  
2  
3 136-19G STANDING COMMITTEES—ANNUAL COUNCIL - 2019  
4

5 RECOMMENDED, To approve the standing committees for the 2019 Annual Council, as  
6 follows:

7  
8 NOMINATING

9  
10 Ted N C Wilson, Chair  
11 G T Ng, Secretary  
12

13 Members: Timothy H Aka, Delbert W Baker, Aho N Baliki, Guillermo E Biaggi, Elias  
14 Brasil de Souza, Mario Brito, G Alexander Bryant, Mario E Ceballos, Williams S Costa Jr,  
15 Abner De los Santos, Kepsie H Elodo, George O Egwakhe, Larry R Evans, Evandro C Favero,  
16 Mark A Finley, Aleksandr Ganko, L James Gibson, Dragan Grujicic, Nam Joo Ha, Richard H  
17 Hart, Elie Henry, Daniel R Jackson, Nenad Jeuranovic, Leonard A Johnson, Raafat A Kamal,  
18

19 Mikhail F Kaminsky, Emile M Kavul, Kenaope Kenaope, Si Young Kim, Erton C  
20 Kohler, Ezras Lakra, Ernesto J L Lazaro Mariscal, Thomas L Lemon, Andrea T Luxton,  
21 Solomon Maphosa, Geoffrey G Mbwana, Duane McKey, Hensley M Moorrooven, E Selvin  
22 Moorthy, Rodia M Musonda, Oyeleke A Owolabi, Magdiel E Perez Schulz, Ryla Pikeri, Juan R  
23 Prestol-Puesan, Blasious M Ruguri, Michael L Ryan, Saw Samuel, Gerson P Santos,  
24

25 Masumi Shimada, Ella S Simmons, Ron C Smith, Artur A Stele, Eduardo Teixeira,  
26 John H Thomas, Saw M Timothy, Glenn C Townend, J Raymond Wahlen II, Elie Weick-Dido,  
27 Barnabas Zimik, E Edward Zinke.  
28

29 STEERING

30  
31 Ted N C Wilson, Chair  
32 Hensley M Moorrooven, Secretary  
33

34 Members: Timothy H Aka, Guillermo E Biaggi, G Alexander Bryant, Sheri Clemmer,  
35 Abner De los Santos, Karnik Doukmetzian, George O Egwakhe, G Thomas Evans, Larry R  
36 Evans, Mark A Finley, Daniel R Jackson, Gary D Krause, Thomas L Lemon, German A Lust,  
37 Geoffrey G Mbwana, Duane McKey, G T Ng, Daisy J F Orion, Lissy Park, Magdiel E  
38 Perez Schulz, Karen J Porter, Juan R Prestol-Puesan, Claude J Richli, Michael L Ryan, Gerson P  
39 Santos, Silvia Sicalo, Ella S Simmons, Artur A Stele, John H Thomas, J Raymond Wahlen II.

1 SEC/ADCOM to HMM-19AC  
2  
3 137-19G COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMITTEE—ANNUAL  
4 COUNCIL - 2019  
5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To appoint the Compensation Review Committee for the 2019 Annual  
7 Council, as follows:  
8

9 MEMBERS

10 Samuel, Saw, Chair  
11 \*Prestol-Puesan, Juan R, Secretary  
12

13 Presidential

14 Brito, Mario  
15 Henry, Elie  
16 Jackson, Daniel R  
17 Kamal, Raafat A  
18 Kaminskiy, Mikhail F  
19 Kim, Si Young  
20 Kohler, Erton C  
21 Lakra, Ezras  
22 \*Lemon, Thomas L  
23 Maphosa, Solomon  
24 McEdward, Richard E  
25 Ruguri, Blasious M  
26 \*Simmons, Ella S  
27 \*Stele, Artur A  
28 Townend, Glenn C  
29 Weick-Dido, Elie  
30 \*Wilson, Ted N C  
31

32 Secretariat

33 Andersson, Audrey E  
34 Heidinger, Edward  
35 Measapogu, Wilson  
36 \*Moorooven, Hensley M  
37 \*Ng, G T  
38 \*Santos, Gerson P  
39

40 Treasury

41 \*Lust, German A  
42 Tkachuk, Vladimir I  
43 Verduzco, Filiberto M  
44 \*Wahlen, J Raymond II  
45 Zens, Norbert G  
46

Departments and Services

\*Canals, Ramon J

GC Institutional Administrators

Morris, Derek J  
Northrop, Timothy E

Union Presidents

Byilingiro, Hesron R  
Harry, Yohanna U  
Hwang, Chun Kwang  
Marley, Victor  
Spencer, David  
Thurber, Gary F  
Tupai, Eddie

Pastor/Frontline Workers

Hai, Isaiah  
Nimako, Nana Kofi

Laypersons

Abayo, Esther G  
Colomiet, Svetlana  
Garibaldi Gonzalez, Sandra  
Nemoto, Yoshikazu  
Sirbu, Adriel  
Toka, George J  
Waln, Vincent

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- 1 \*General Conference Employees: The committee will meet in executive session without General
- 2 Conference employees.

1 PRE/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to AAS-19AC+20GCS

2  
3 141-19GS RESOLUTION ON THE HOLY BIBLE

4  
5 RECOMMENDED, To approve the Resolution on the Holy Bible, which reads as follows:

6  
7 RESOLUTION ON THE HOLY BIBLE

8  
9 As delegates to the 2020 General Conference Session in Indianapolis, Indiana, we  
10 express our conviction that the Bible is the inspired and revealed Word of God. Through the  
11 Holy Scriptures, God has revealed Himself and His will to humanity. The whole Bible is inspired  
12 and must be understood as a whole in order to arrive at correct conclusions as to the truth on any  
13 revealed topic. The Bible is reliable in what it affirms. Its record of creation in six literal days,  
14 the fall of human beings, a global flood to destroy wickedness and preserve a remnant, as well as  
15 God's numerous interventions in history for the salvation of human beings are trustworthy  
16 reports of God's acts in history (Luke 24:27; Heb 1:1, 2; 2 Pet 1:21). Prophetically, the  
17 fulfillment of predicted events in accordance with prophetic time periods establishes confidence  
18 in the Bible as a unique witness to divine truth unlike any other religious book (Isa 46:9, 10; Dan  
19 2, 7, 8; Luke 24:44; 2 Pet 1:19, 20).

20  
21 We believe that the Bible is the prophetic Word of God and through the prophets of the  
22 Old Testament, the apostles of the New Testament, and especially through His Son, Jesus Christ,  
23 God has revealed how He will act for the salvation of human beings and execute judgment on  
24 wickedness.

25  
26 We commit ourselves to prayerfully study and follow the Bible, the living and effective  
27 Word of God. It is profitable for doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness. It  
28 stands forever as a witness to God's will, His law, His thoughts, and His purposes for human  
29 beings and for our world, and contains the treasures of eternal wisdom and grace (Isa 40:8;  
30 1 Thess 2:13; 2 Tim 3:16, 17). Its principles and teachings are applicable in all times, all places,  
31 all languages, and all cultures for all people. It speaks credibly and relevantly today as it has in  
32 the past and will continue to speak as long as time shall last.

33  
34 We also believe that the Bible leads us to a living relationship with God through Jesus  
35 Christ. And by the Holy Spirit the Bible speaks directly to each person to reveal the plan of  
36 salvation and restore believers into the image of God. Thus, the Bible stands as the norm for all  
37 religious experience inasmuch as it reveals and teaches the truth and explains how its effects are  
38 manifested on the intellect, feelings, and affections (Heb 4:12; Gal 5:22-23).

39  
40 We express our deep gratitude to the Lord because in the Scriptures we find hope to live  
41 amidst the challenges of the world. The Bible tells of God's plan to bestow immortality on His  
42 people at the second coming of Christ and ultimately, after the millennium in heaven, to put an  
43 end to sin and sinners forever and establish righteousness in the new earth (Ps 119:105; Rom  
44 15:4; Heb 4:12; James 1:18).

1 PRE/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to AAS-19AC+20GCS

2  
3 142-19GS STATEMENT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE WRITINGS  
4 OF ELLEN G WHITE

5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To approve the Statement of Confidence in the Writings of Ellen G White,  
7 which reads as follows:

8  
9 STATEMENT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE  
10 WRITINGS OF ELLEN G WHITE

11  
12 As delegates to the 2020 General Conference Session in Indianapolis, Indiana, we  
13 express our deep gratitude for God’s prophetic guidance of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.  
14 Aiming to live “by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God” (Matt 4:4, NKJV; cf. Luke  
15 10:16), we take seriously the biblical passages that teach the abiding nature of the gift of  
16 prophecy (Rom 12:6; 1 Cor 12:10, 28; Eph 4:11-14) and promise its end-time manifestation (Joel  
17 2:28-31; Rev 12:17; 19:10; 22:9). We recognize the gift of prophecy in the life and ministry of  
18 Ellen G White (1827-1915).

19  
20 We believe that the writings of Ellen G White were inspired by the Holy Spirit and are  
21 Christ-centered and Bible-based. Rather than replacing the Bible, they uplift the normative  
22 character of Scripture and correct inaccurate interpretations imposed upon it. They also help us  
23 to overcome the human tendency to accept from the Bible what we like and distort or disregard  
24 what we do not like.

25  
26 We commit ourselves to prayerfully study the writings of Ellen G White with hearts  
27 willing to follow the counsels and instructions found therein. Whether individually, in the family,  
28 in small groups, in the classroom, or in the church, we believe that the study of her writings  
29 brings us closer to God and His infallible Word—the Scriptures—providing us a transforming  
30 and faith-uplifting experience.

31  
32 We rejoice in the Lord for what has already been accomplished for the global and local  
33 circulation of the writings of Ellen G White in both printed and electronic formats, including  
34 [egwwritings.org](http://egwwritings.org) and related apps. We encourage the continued development of both worldwide  
35 and local strategies to foster the circulation and study of her writings in as many languages as  
36 possible. The study of these writings is a powerful means to strengthen and prepare God’s people  
37 to face the challenges of these last days as we approach Christ’s soon return.

1 ASICoordCom/PreC/128-12G/116-13G/ASICoordCom/118-18Ga/GCDO19SM/19SM/  
2 ASICoordCom to MLR-19AC(DIV)

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4 110-19Ga ADVENTIST-LAYMEN’S SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES  
5 (ASI) SAMPLE DIVISION CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

6  
7 RECOMMENDED, To adopt the Adventist-Laymen’s Services and Industries (ASI) Sample  
8 Division Constitution and Bylaws that divisions may choose to follow, which read as follows:

9  
10 ADVENTIST-LAYMEN’S SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES (ASI)  
11 SAMPLE DIVISION CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

12  
13 ARTICLE 1—Name

14  
15 1.1. The name of the organization shall be: \_\_\_\_\_ (The letters ASI  
16 shall appear as part of the name of the organization.) Within this document, the letters “ASI” or  
17 “Association” shall identify the organization. The English letters ASI constitute a uniform  
18 branding mechanism even if this Constitution and Bylaws are rendered in a different language of  
19 choice, in which case an English language version shall be available for review and  
20 harmonization at the General Conference level.

21  
22 ARTICLE 2—Guidelines for Supporting Ministries

23  
24 2.1. Independent Adventist member-owned organizations will operate in harmony  
25 with guidelines established by the \_\_\_\_\_ Division in order to become a  
26 supporting ministry in that Division/Union.

27  
28 ARTICLE 3—Objectives

29  
30 The objectives of the Association shall be:

31  
32 3.1. To encourage and promote the development and operation of institutions and  
33 enterprises owned or operated by Seventh-day Adventist laypersons throughout the  
34 \_\_\_\_\_ Division that have as their primary purpose the spread of the Gospel as  
35 believed and taught by the Seventh-day Adventist Church (Church) and memorialized in the 28  
36 Fundamental Beliefs voted by the General Conference in session.

37  
38 3.2. To encourage Seventh-day Adventist church members in privately-owned  
39 enterprises of various types to unite their efforts with denominationally operated enterprises in  
40 the furtherance and extension of the gospel in their immediate communities and to the ends of  
41 the earth, according to their abilities and opportunities.

42  
43 3.3. To ensure lay-operated institutions and enterprises commit themselves to work in  
44 full and complete harmony with the standards and objectives of the Seventh-day Adventist  
45 Church and to maintain harmonious relationships with conference and Church administrations,  
46 ministers, church members, and the people of their communities, and to serve as a liaison

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1 between ASI members and Church representatives to engender mutual agreement and  
2 understanding.

3  
4 3.4. To provide, through an exchange of information, coordination of objectives, and  
5 the inspiration of Christian fellowship, the means by which members of the Association can  
6 become more effective in their work.

7  
8 3.5. To assist with mission projects supportive of the Seventh-day Adventist Church  
9 through counsel, promotions, and funding.

10  
11 3.6. To promote an environment of brotherhood and common service across division  
12 lines in an end-time reality where ASI laypersons from any division may support the work of the  
13 organized Seventh-day Adventist Church in any division or field within the world Church.

14  
15 3.7. To seek and accept guidance from the \_\_\_\_\_ Division, the  
16 Adventist-Laymen’s Services and Industries Coordinating Committee, and sister ASI  
17 organizations around the world on standards, objectives, and methods of lay ministry.

18  
19 ARTICLE 4—Membership Requirements

20  
21 4.0. Membership in the \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI is available to any  
22 Seventh-day Adventist church member in regular standing who owns/operates a business or a  
23 non-profit, tax-exempt (or equivalent) ministry (charity) or provides a professional service and  
24 has been accepted by the Division/Union as a supporting ministry. Church membership and ASI  
25 chapter membership must be in the \_\_\_\_\_ Division and \_\_\_\_\_  
26 Union. Leaders of the business, ministry, or professional service must have been members in  
27 regular standing of the Seventh-day Adventist Church for at least two years, and the organization  
28 must have been in operation for at least one year, with the equivalent of two full-time workers.  
29 Ministries become “supporting” ministries of the Seventh-day Adventist Church when they  
30 approve and adhere to the “Guidelines for Supporting Ministries” as developed by the  
31 \_\_\_\_\_ Division. In order to avoid confusion, member organizations will use  
32 name designations that do not include the words: Seventh-day Adventist, SDA, or Adventist.  
33 Because ASI is a service for church members who are not employed by the Church (laypersons),  
34 its members do not receive any salary from any Seventh-day Adventist Church-operated  
35 organization. ASI membership may be in one of the following categories:

36  
37 4.1. ORGANIZATIONAL membership is the primary type of ASI membership. ASI’s  
38 major emphasis is to encourage supporting ministries and those with the entrepreneurial spirit of  
39 business operations to work together, cooperatively, with the Seventh-day Adventist Church in  
40 its mission and ministry. Payment of Organizational membership dues is required.  
41 Organizational membership has the following characteristics:

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1           4.1a. Organizational members will have the equivalent of at least two full-time  
2 employees in an organization that is owned or controlled by Seventh-day Adventist laypersons.  
3 The two qualifying employees may include the owner, volunteers, and any contract or employed  
4 workers.

5  
6           4.1b. Continued Organizational membership is contingent upon the current  
7 owner and/or CEO conducting the business of the organization in harmony with Seventh-day  
8 Adventist principles and personally remaining in regular standing with the Seventh-day  
9 Adventist Church.

10  
11           4.1c. The Organization must have been in operation for at least one full year at  
12 the time application for ASI membership is submitted.

13  
14           4.1d. Membership will be in the name of the organization.

15  
16           4.1e. The organizational documents of Organizational Supporting Ministry  
17 members will, as far as possible, reflect support for the message and mission of the Seventh-day  
18 Adventist Church; provide that all officers and directors be members in regular standing of the  
19 Seventh-day Adventist Church; and provide that upon dissolution of the organization, the  
20 remaining assets go to another qualified charity organization owned or controlled by  
21 Seventh-day Adventists (Church or laypersons).

22  
23           4.2. PERSONAL membership is available to any Seventh-day Adventist owner,  
24 surviving spouse, or CEO of an organization that held Organizational membership under  
25 Article 4.1 for five (5) years or more who sells the business or leaves the organization. Payment  
26 of Personal membership dues is required.

27  
28           4.3. HONORARY membership may be granted to a person who has uniquely served  
29 ASI based on his or her individual contribution to the organization. The person will be selected  
30 for recognition and Honorary membership by the ASI Board. No payment of membership dues is  
31 required.

32  
33           4.4. APPOINTED membership is held by an individual who has been appointed by a  
34 conference or union within the \_\_\_\_\_ Division to serve as its ASI  
35 representative. Appointed membership is also held by individuals who have been appointed by  
36 the \_\_\_\_\_ Division to serve as its representatives on the ASI Board. No  
37 payment of membership dues is required.

38  
39           4.5. ASSOCIATE membership is available to any Seventh-day Adventist layperson in  
40 regular standing with his/her church membership, who holds an executive, professional, or  
41 management level of responsibility (other than a denominational employee), who does not  
42 qualify for another category of membership but shares in the goals and purposes of ASI.

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1 Associate members are not eligible to vote at ASI business meetings or to hold office. Examples  
2 of a qualifying applicant would be: an emergency room physician who is not in private practice;  
3 an attorney who is a member of a law firm but is not in the self-employed practice of law; a  
4 management-level corporate employee who has substantial supervisory responsibility; or a  
5 person who sits on for-profit boards of directors.

6  
7 ARTICLE 5—Voting Eligibility

8  
9 5.0 Member Delegates who are eligible to vote at regular or specially called ASI  
10 business meetings for the purpose of election of officers or other business as may come before  
11 them will include the following:

12 5.0a. Delegates-at-large:

- 13 1) ASI Board members
- 14
- 15 2) Appointed members
- 16
- 17
- 18

19 5.0b. Organizational member delegates shall be qualified as follows: One  
20 delegate for each member organization plus one delegate for the first six (6) Seventh-day  
21 Adventist employees of the member organization, with one additional delegate for each  
22 additional ten (10) Seventh-day Adventist employees or major fraction of ten. In no event shall  
23 an organization have more than five voting delegates.

24 5.0c. Personal members

25 5.0d. Honorary members

26 5.1. Delegates must be present to vote.

27 5.2. Associate members are not eligible to vote.

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31  
32 ARTICLE 6—Membership Application Processing

33 6.0. An Application for Membership form shall be completed in writing, providing  
34 satisfactory information and evidence of qualifications for membership, and sent to the  
35 \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI office, together with payment covering the first year’s  
36 membership dues.  
37

38 6.1. Upon receipt of the membership application and the pastor’s recommendation, the  
39 \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI office will contact the applicant’s Conference and Union  
40 ASI secretaries for their recommendations. A completed application will consist of the  
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1 application, payment for the first year’s member dues, the pastor’s recommendation, Conference  
2 and Union ASI secretaries’ recommendations, and approval of the additional documents required  
3 for organizational non-profit membership. Pastoral recommendations will be sent to the ASI  
4 office by the pastor. In the event that the pastor, Conference or Union ASI Secretary fails or  
5 refuses to forward his/her recommendation in a timely manner, an application may be considered  
6 without such recommendation.

7  
8 6.2. Copies of completed applications will be forwarded by the  
9 \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI office to the Division’s ASI Executive Officers for review  
10 and approval. A membership application must be approved by a two-thirds affirmative vote of  
11 the members present at a meeting or by a unanimously affirmative vote of the Executive  
12 Officers. If, in the course of a vote, any Executive Officer disapproves an application, he/she  
13 shall advise the Secretary-Treasurer in writing of the reason for such disapproval within fourteen  
14 (14) days; otherwise his/her vote shall be deemed affirmative. Applications that are not approved  
15 for membership by the Executive Officers shall be reviewed by the ASI Board at its next  
16 meeting.

17  
18 ARTICLE 7—Termination of Membership

19  
20 7.1. Membership shall be terminated by any one of the following: (1) written request  
21 of the member; (2) removal from Seventh-day Adventist Church regular membership status; (3)  
22 default in payment of annual dues; (4) failure by a Non-Profit member to comply with the  
23 “Guidelines for Supporting Ministries” (after the member has received notice of non-compliance  
24 and has refused to correct any such non-compliance); or (5) a two-thirds vote of the Board  
25 members present at any meeting.

26  
27 7.2. A member, having been terminated from membership according to paragraph 6.1  
28 but desiring to be reinstated, shall make a request to the Board for reinstatement, whereupon the  
29 committee shall reevaluate all available information pertaining the termination and  
30 reinstatement. If the problems relative to ASI membership eligibility have been corrected, the  
31 member may be restored to membership by a two-thirds vote of the Board members present.

32 7.3. A terminated member may reapply for membership by following the procedure  
33 listed in Article 6.

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35 ARTICLE 8—Meetings

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37 8.1. Regular business sessions of the Association shall be held [Note: prior to 1977,  
38 ASI business meetings for elections were held every four years] every two years in connection  
39 with the annual convention. Written notice of a meeting, including a description of the business  
40 to be conducted, the time and the location, shall be published in a regular publication of the  
41 \_\_\_\_\_ Division and mailed to members at least four (4) weeks prior to the date  
42 of the business session. Such notice may also be sent electronically.

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8.2. A quorum shall consist of those present at a duly called business meeting.

8.3. A special business meeting of the Association may be called by the Board at any time, provided the purpose of the special session is stated in the call and a written notice of such meeting is given at least four (4) weeks prior to the date of the special session.

8.4. The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists’ (GC) Rules of Order shall be followed at all business meetings.

ARTICLE 9—Selection of Committees

9.1. At each biennial session of the Association, a Large Committee selected from the delegates present shall nominate \_\_\_\_\_ (#) [number will vary by the number of Union ASI Chapters functioning within the \_\_\_\_\_ Division] members of a Nominating Committee, a Bylaws Committee, and other committees as voted by the session. Nominations shall be made and voted upon by delegates at the session.

9.1a. The Large Committee shall be composed of: One delegate from each Organizational member present; one Personal member delegate for each five Personal members present or major fraction thereof (selected by a caucus of Personal members); and one delegate-at-large [delegates-at-large include members of the ASI Board and Church-appointed ASI representatives] for each five delegates-at-large present or major fraction thereof (selected by a caucus of the delegates-at-large).

9.1b. After the selection of the Large Committee, its members shall meet to caucus in groups with the respective ASI chapter members present to select members of the Nominating Committee [see also Article 11.2] as follows: Each Union ASI Chapter shall select one member to serve on the Nominating Committee, for a total of [number will vary, depending on the number of functioning ASI Union Chapters within the Division] \_\_\_\_\_ (#) members of the Nominating Committee. Efforts should be made to encourage an appropriate gender, geographic, and ethnic mix in balancing ASI committees, boards, and offices. The \_\_\_\_\_ Division president or his designee shall chair both the Large Committee and Nominating Committee.

9.2. Committees for the session shall be elected as may be necessary to conduct business that shall come before the session.

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1 ARTICLE 10—Officers

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10.1. Officers of the Association shall be: a President, a General Vice President, a Vice President for Finance, a Vice President for Membership, a Vice President for Communication, and [number may vary as needed] \_\_\_\_\_ (#) other Vice Presidents and a Secretary-Treasurer.

10.2. Officers of the Association shall be elected by members at the regularly scheduled business meeting. Officers shall take office at the close of the convention at which they have been elected and shall serve until their successors are duly elected and take office.

10.2a. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of the Board. The General Vice President shall act for the President in the event of the absence of the President. In the event of the resignation or incapacity of the President to serve, the General Vice President shall serve in the office of the President until the time of the next regular business session.

10.2b. The \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI Secretary-Treasurer shall promote the objectives and activities of the Association, shall keep written records of all meetings and financial activities of the organization and Board, shall have custody of all records of all meetings of the organization and Board, and shall have custody of all the records of the Association. The Secretary-Treasurer shall notify members of all regular and special business sessions and meetings and perform such duties as may come within the scope of his authority.

10.2c. The Secretary-Treasurer shall have custody of all funds of the Association and shall render an audited report to the membership in business session.

10.2d. Unless otherwise requested by the membership in business session or the Board, all officers of the Association shall carry those responsibilities normally associated with their respective offices.

10.3. Officers of the Association (and the President of ASI Missions Inc. [delete if the \_\_\_\_\_ Division does not have an organization similar to ASI Missions Inc, which is subsidiary to the Division ASI organization] shall constitute the Executive Committee and shall have authority to conduct the business of the Association between meetings of the Board.

ARTICLE 11—Elections

11.1. All officers in the Board shall be elected at each biennial business session of the Association.

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1           11.2. The Nominating Committee shall be selected by the Large Committee (see  
2 Article 9.) at the biennial business session. The Nominating Committee shall consist of the most  
3 recent three (3) past presidents (with all remaining past presidents as invitees), together with  
4 \_\_\_\_ (#) additional members selected as follows: three (3) to be appointed by the  
5 \_\_\_\_\_ Division Administrative Committee and [depending on the number of  
6 ASI Union Chapters within the Division]) \_\_\_\_\_ (#) to be nominated by the Large Committee  
7 and elected by members of the Association who are present. The Chair of the Nominating  
8 Committee shall be the Division president or his designee. The Nominating Committee’s first  
9 item of business shall be the selection of the secretary of the Nominating Committee. The second  
10 item of business shall be the nomination of the Association president, who shall be a lay  
11 Organizational member, whose name shall be taken immediately to the delegates for a vote.  
12 Once elected, the president-elect shall sit with the Nominating Committee to provide counsel and  
13 input, but without a vote.  
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15           11.3. The procedure for nomination and election of officers and members of the Board  
16 shall be as follows:  
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18                   11.3a. The Nominating Committee shall nominate ASI officers as follows: a  
19 President, a General Vice President, \_\_\_\_ (#) other Vice Presidents, and a Secretary-Treasurer.  
20 The Secretary-Treasurer nominee shall be recommended to the \_\_\_\_\_ Division  
21 Administrative Leadership for its approval.  
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23                   11.3b. The nominating committee shall nominate members for the ASI Board as  
24 provided in Article 12.1. The nominating committee shall consider ethnic, gender, and  
25 geographic balance in its recommendations. Names of nominees shall be submitted to the  
26 delegates in session, and the election/confirmation to respective offices shall be by a majority  
27 vote of the registered delegates present.  
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29           11.4. Vacancies in offices occurring between regular business sessions or vacancies on  
30 the Board shall be filled by the ASI Board.  
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32           11.5. Vacancies occurring on the Board from among those members appointed by the  
33 \_\_\_\_\_ Division shall be filled by appointees of the \_\_\_\_\_  
34 Division.

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1 ARTICLE 12—ASI Board

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12.1. There shall be a Board to administer the affairs of the Association. The Board shall consist of members as follows: the ASI President, Secretary-Treasurer, General Vice President, Vice President for Finance and any additional ASI officers as needed (appointed by the ASI Board); each Union ASI Chapter president, six administrative church employees (appointed by the Division Administrative Committee), two Conference Presidents, the immediate past president of ASI and other members to maintain a target Board ratio of 50/50 lay members to church employees.

12.1a. During the phase-in of a Division ASI Chapter, the Board ratios of lay members to church employees may be out of compliance with Article 12.1.

12.2. The Board shall meet at least once a year for the purpose of reviewing the affairs of the Association and transacting such business as may come before it.

12.3. Meetings of the Board may be called at any time by the ranking officer of the Association; such officer shall serve as chairperson.

12.4. A quorum of the Board shall consist of one-half of the Board, plus one.

12.5. The Board shall be responsible for the \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI’s annual convention.

ARTICLE 13—Dues and Financial Records

13.1. Annual membership dues shall be voted by action of the Board and ratified by members at the next business session.

13.2. Financial accounts of the Association are subject to audit by General Conference Auditing Service or equivalent Divisional auditing protocol.

ARTICLE 14—Chapters

14.1. As part of the \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI (about which this document is primarily concerned), provision is hereby authorized for the establishment of Union-wide, Conference, or local area Chapters where five (5) or more ASI members reside. Local chapters may be established to maintain ASI fellowship and cooperative outreach where such is feasible.

14.2. Each Union Conference shall constitute an ASI Chapter. Where geography or membership makes it necessary, a Union Chapter may be divided (as voted by the ASI Board and ratified by the Association in business session).

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1           14.3. Union Chapter officers shall be elected by delegates to Chapter sessions for terms  
2 of office not exceeding two (2) years. Chapter officers may vary according to each union, but the  
3 duties of Chapter officers shall be generally similar in all applicable respects to the duties of  
4 comparable officers of \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI. The officers shall be a President,  
5 Vice President and/or Vice Presidents, and a Secretary-Treasurer. The Secretary-Treasurer shall  
6 be appointed by the executive committee of that union. The Chair of the Chapter nominating  
7 committee shall be the Division ASI President or Secretary-Treasurer or the Secretary-Treasurer  
8 of the ASI Chapter or his/her nominee.

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10           14.3a. Chapters, insofar as possible, should have a slate of officers and  
11 committees that parallel the officers and committees established by the Association.

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13           14.4. The board of any Chapter shall include all officers plus additional members as  
14 deemed necessary (to include representatives of Organizational members or Conference/Union  
15 personnel).

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17           14.5. Chapters may assess membership dues in addition to those assessed by the  
18 Association. However, membership in Union ASI Chapters will be based upon ASI membership  
19 in the \_\_\_\_\_ Division ASI.

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21           14.6. Chapters shall adopt constitutions embracing provisions compatible with the  
22 purpose of the Association as set out in this Constitution and Bylaws and shall conduct  
23 themselves accordingly. Each Chapter shall provide the Association with a copy of its  
24 constitution.

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26 ARTICLE 15—Working Relationships

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28           15.1. The Association shall work in close counsel with the \_\_\_\_\_  
29 Division, Union, and Conference administrations through their respective ASI secretary-  
30 treasurers. The purpose is to foster and encourage the work of ASI member organizations and to  
31 assist in membership growth and purpose.

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33 ARTICLE 16—Dissolution of the Association

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35           16.1. In the event that the \_\_\_\_\_ Division \_\_\_\_\_ ASI  
36 organization (the Association) is dissolved and ceases operation, the assets of the organization  
37 shall become the property of the \_\_\_\_\_ Division of the General Conference of  
38 Seventh-day Adventists.

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1 ARTICLE 17—Amendments

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3           17.1. Changes in or amendments to the Association Constitution and Bylaws may be  
4 made by a two-thirds vote of those members present and voting at any regular business session  
5 or any business session, provided the members are advised of the nature and subject of the  
6 changes or amendments to be considered when they are notified of the session.

1 ADCOM/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to GPS-19AC+20GCS  
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3 131-19GS BELIZE UNION OF CHURCHES MISSION—CHANGE  
4 OF STATUS  
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6 RECOMMENDED, To grant the change in status of the Belize Union of Churches Mission to  
7 the Belize Union Mission.

ADCOM/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to JHT-19AC+20GCS

140-19GS ETHIOPIAN UNION MISSION—REORGANIZATION

RECOMMENDED, To reorganize the Ethiopian Union Mission in the East-Central Africa Division into two union missions, as follows:

1. The Eastern Ethiopian Union Mission with constituency from Central Ethiopia Field, North Ethiopia Field, Northwest Ethiopia Field, South Central Ethiopia Field, South East Ethiopia Field, and South Ethiopia Field, with headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

2. The Western Ethiopian Union Mission with constituency from Gambella Field Station, South West Ethiopia Field, West Central Ethiopia Field, and West Ethiopia Conference, with headquarters in Nekemte, Ethiopia.

1 TRE/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

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3 235-19G SUPPORT OF WORLDWIDE WORK (SHARING  
4 FINANCIAL RESOURCES) - POLICY AMENDMENT

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6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC V 09 05, Support of Worldwide Work (Sharing Financial  
7 Resources), to read as follows:

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9 V 09 05 Support of Worldwide Work— 1. Divine Plan—In His - No change

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11 2. Regular Tithe Percentages—The following schedule of tithe sharing has been  
12 established for the work of the Church around the world and may be adjusted from time to time  
13 by action of the General Conference Executive Committee at an Annual Council meeting:

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15 a. Local Church (which includes companies) to Conference/Mission/Field/  
16 Union of Churches—Churches and companies forward 100 percent of the tithe received to the  
17 conference/mission/field treasury. In a union of churches (where there is no  
18 conference/mission/field) the churches forward 100 percent of the tithe to the union of churches  
19 treasury. Churches are not to retain tithe for use in the local church. Where government  
20 regulations require a different process, the division in consultation with the General Conference  
21 will provide guidance on how to proceed.

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23 b. Local Conference/Mission/Field to Union Conference/Union Mission—  
24 Local conferences/missions/fields forward a percentage of the tithes received to the union  
25 conference/union mission treasury. The percentage is established by the division executive  
26 committee but is not to be less than 7 percent.

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28 c. Union Conferences/Union Missions/Union of Churches to Division—The  
29 division executive committee will set the percentage of gross tithe,<sup>2</sup> up to a maximum of 20  
30 percent, that is to be forwarded to the division for its operations and for use in supporting  
31 programs and sharing of tithe within its territory.

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33 d. Divisions are to forward to the General Conference Treasury a percentage  
34 of the gross tithe from their territory based on the schedule below. ~~territory. The North American~~  
35 ~~Division is to forward amounts based on the schedule below. All other divisions are to forward 2~~  
36 ~~percent to the General Conference.~~ These funds are to be used by the General Conference for  
37 operations of the General Conference headquarters, appropriations to divisions and General  
38 Conference institutions, and the support of global programs adopted by the General Conference  
39 Executive Committee.

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41 In order to achieve parity in tithe percentages the following changes will be phased in:  
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2 “Gross tithe” is the total amount of tithe received by Church entities (churches, companies, conferences/missions/fields, unions, and the division).

235-19G SUPPORT OF WORLDWIDE WORK (SHARING FINANCIAL RESOURCES) - POLICY AMENDMENT - 2

Year	NAD	All divisions, except NAD
2019	5.25	2.00
2020	5.00	2.00
2021	4.50	2.10
2022	4.00	2.20
2023	3.50	2.30
2024	3.00	2.40
2025	3.00	2.50
2026	3.00	2.60
2027	3.00	2.70
2028	3.00	2.80
2029	3.00	2.90
2030 and onward	3.00	3.00

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2 e. The North American Division will contribute an additional 0.85 percent of  
3 tithe annually due to the benefit received by its members and entities as a result of Andrews  
4 University and Loma Linda University being physically located within their territory. In 2019 the  
5 combined rate for the North American Division will be 6.10 percent (5.25 + 0.85) and in 2024  
6 and onward the combined rate will be 3.85 percent (3.00 + 0.85).

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8 ~~Phase in of the North American Division tithe percentage to the General Conference:~~

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10	<del>2012</del>	<del>8.00 percent</del>
11	<del>2013</del>	<del>7.50 percent</del>
12	<del>2014</del>	<del>7.00 percent</del>
13	<del>2015</del>	<del>6.85 percent</del>
14	<del>2016</del>	<del>6.85 percent</del>
15	<del>2017</del>	<del>6.60 percent</del>
16	<del>2018</del>	<del>6.35 percent</del>
17	<del>2019</del>	<del>6.10 percent</del>
18	<del>2020 and onward</del>	<del>5.85 percent</del>

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20 e. f. The percentages listed in paragraphs a. through ~~e.~~ e. are based on gross  
21 tithe received within the division/union/conference/mission/field. In some division policies, part  
22 or all of the percentage forwarded to the General Conference is reflected as coming from union  
23 or division funds rather than from the local conference/mission/field/union of churches.  
24 Divisions are free to outline the tithe sharing percentage process in the way that best meets their  
25 needs as long as the ultimate percentages reaching each level of the organization are in  
26 compliance with this policy and are based on gross tithe.

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28 3. Additional Tithe Percentages—In addition to the above - No change  
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235-19G SUPPORT OF WORLDWIDE WORK (SHARING  
FINANCIAL RESOURCES) - POLICY AMENDMENT - 3

1           4.       Promptness in Remittance—The tithe sharing process adopted - No change

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3           5.       Sources of Tithe Receipts at the General Conference—The General Conference  
4 receives tithe from the following sources:

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6           a.       World Divisions—All divisions will, by 2030, be contributing 3.00  
7 percent of tithe (see V 09 05, paragraph 2. d. and 2. e. above). A comprehensive evaluation and  
8 thorough review of the financial impact of paragraph 2. d. above on the General Conference and  
9 within its divisions will take place in 2024 and again in 2028, with complete reports to be  
10 submitted to the 2024 and 2028 Annual Councils for consideration. ~~World divisions—Eight~~  
11 percent of the gross tithe in 2012 decreasing to 5.85 percent of the gross tithe received within the  
12 North American Division by 2020 and 2 percent of the gross tithe received within all other  
13 divisions (see V 09 05, paragraph 2. d., above).

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15           b.       Tithe from the General Conference funded portion - No change

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17           c.       Members' tithe for purposes of anonymity—Occasionally - No change

1 SEC/ADCOM/GCC/ADCOM to JHT-19AC(DIV)

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3 123-19G ALLOCATION OF AT-LARGE DELEGATE SEATS—  
4 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION - 2020

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6 RECOMMENDED, To approve the following allocation of the 300 at-large delegate seats  
7 provided for in Section 8. f. under Article V of the General Conference Constitution for the 2020  
8 General Conference Session. At its discretion a division may surrender any of these delegate  
9 seats for re-allocation by the General Conference Administrative Committee (ADCOM):

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11 1. One hundred one (101) seats shall be allocated among divisions based on the  
12 division's membership as of December 31, 2018, as a proportion of total world membership, as  
13 follows:

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15	East-Central Africa Division (ECD)	19
16	Euro-Asia Division (ESD)	1
17	Inter-American Division (IAD)	17
18	Inter-European Division (EUD)	1
19	North American Division (NAD)	6
20	Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD)	3
21	South American Division (SAD)	12
22	Southern Africa-Indian Ocean Division (SID)	19
23	Southern Asia Division (SUD)	8
24	Southern Asia-Pacific Division (SSD)	7
25	South Pacific Division (SPD)	3
26	Trans-European Division (TED)	1
27	West-Central Africa Division (WAD)	4
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29 2. Seventy (70) seats shall be reserved for allocation by the General Conference  
30 Administrative Committee, as follows:

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32	General Conference Administrative Committee	37
33	Retirees	19
34	Young Adults	14
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36 3. The remaining 129 at-large delegate seats shall be allocated as follows:

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38 a. Divisions by Membership (43 total)

39		
40	East-Central Africa Division (ECD)	8
41	Euro-Asia Division (ESD)	0
42	Inter-American Division (IAD)	8
43	Inter-European Division (EUD)	0
44	North American Division (NAD)	4
45	Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD)	1
46	South American Division (SAD)	5

123-19G ALLOCATION OF AT-LARGE DELEGATE SEATS—  
GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION - 2020 - 2

1	Southern Africa-Indian Ocean Division (SID)	8
2	Southern Asia Division (SUD)	3
3	Southern Asia-Pacific Division (SSD)	3
4	South Pacific Division (SPD)	1
5	Trans-European Division (TED)	0
6	West-Central Africa Division (WAD)	2
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8	b. General Conference Attached Union/Field (5 total)	
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10	Israel Field (IF)	2
11	Middle East and North Africa Union Mission (MENA)	3
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13	c. General Conference Institutions/Services/Associations (39 total)	
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15	Adventist Development and Relief Agency International	
16	(ADRA)	4
17	Adventist Intl Institute of Advanced Studies (AIIAS)	2
18	Adventist Risk Management (ARM)	4
19	Adventist University of Africa (AUA)	2
20	Adventist World Radio (AWR)	2
21	Andrews University (AU)	7
22	Biblical Research Institute (BRI)	1
23	Ellen G White Estate (WHT)	5
24	General Conference Auditing Services (GCAS)	2
25	Geoscience Research Institute (GRI)	1
26	Hope Channel (HC)	2
27	Loma Linda University Health	7
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29	d. Asia Affairs Advisory Committee	42

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5 RECOMMENDED, To record receipt of the recommendations of the 2019 Nurture and  
6 Retention Summit, as follows:

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8 We have been called by Christ to fulfill the Great Commission to make not merely  
9 members but disciples. With this goal in view, local churches should aim to create a warm and  
10 caring environment for spiritual growth in which youth, adults, and visitors feel loved and  
11 supported. All ministries of the church must be united together in the mission of making mature  
12 and faithful disciples. A healthy church develops a nurture plan with respect to the cultural  
13 context. This plan includes equipping every member to be active and personally involved in  
14 disciple making using his or her talents and spiritual gifts. Plans for nurturing and training  
15 disciples may also include networks and small groups that provide opportunities for members to  
16 grow in Christ, serve people, and express their faith through various skills and interests.

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18 *Recommendations for the Local Church*

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20 1. Implement a systematic process of discipleship with clear and practical steps:

21  
22 a. Prepare new Adventist believers before baptism and integrate them into  
23 church life: train new Adventist believers through baptismal classes and Bible studies; involve  
24 them in church life through small groups, Pathfinder, youth activities, prayer, social and other  
25 meetings; and recovery programs such as Inter-Generational Church of Refuge (iCOR), and  
26 other programs and ministries.

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28 b. Integrate new members into church life and ministries: invite new  
29 disciples to church events and programs outside of Sabbath worship; involve them in prayer,  
30 small groups, Pathfinder, youth activities, etc; recognize individual skills and spiritual gifts; help  
31 people find ways to express their faith through different services to the community and ministries  
32 in the church; and help each one become a part of a ministry team or small group.

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34 c. Develop spiritual habits: train and mentor members on how to develop  
35 spiritual habits including personal devotions, regular prayer life, personal Bible study and  
36 Sabbath School lessons, reading Ellen G White’s writings, faithful tithing, Sabbath School, and  
37 church worship attendance, etc.

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39 d. Foster growth in biblical & doctrinal understandings: conduct special  
40 series on Adventist doctrines, prophecy seminars; provide tools for personal Bible studies; and  
41 involve members in small groups and evangelistic events to deepen their biblical/doctrinal  
42 knowledge and witnessing skills, etc.

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44 e. Train and involve new converts in personal witnessing and mentoring  
45 others: train members in soul-winning and mentoring; involve them in different evangelistic

- 1 initiatives; and provide practical tools to aid them in mentoring all new members, e.g.,
- 2 *Discipleship Handbook* or similar tools.
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- 4       2.       Create a warm and nurturing atmosphere in the congregation:
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- 6           a.       Encourage members to be kind and welcoming, and to take an interest in
- 7 others: train members how to demonstrate friendliness, acceptance, sensitivity, interest in
- 8 visitors, and conflict resolution; and set up a welcoming ministry with all ages involved, etc.
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- 10           b.       Create small groups and train/equip elders, Sabbath School leaders, and
- 11 church members in mutual nurture and care in small groups.
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- 13           c.       Establish a culture of hospitality and member care: identify and assign
- 14 gifted members and leaders to connect with visitors and include them in service projects based
- 15 on their comfort level and interest; invite members to adopt a visitor, neighbor, or co-worker and
- 16 regularly invite them into their homes for fellowship; have a visitation plan—each member/
- 17 family visited or met with once a year; ministry to homebound members, etc.
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- 19           d.       Develop active social and prayer ministries: create a prayer list for church
- 20 needs; have an active social calendar; etc.
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- 22           e.       Move congregation toward being a missional community: build
- 23 relationships with and provide services to the community outside the church; and create
- 24 comfortable environments for members’ witnessing and services.
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- 26       3.       Develop and implement a strategy of reclaiming former and inactive members:
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- 28           a.       Regular membership audit process and plan: develop and implement a
- 29 system for the periodic review of the church membership list to identify those who may require
- 30 transfer due to moving away, removal due to death, or redemptive ministry due to no longer
- 31 attending or supporting the church, etc.
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- 33           b.       Former and inactive member ministry plan: identify and assign gifted
- 34 members and leaders to connect with former and inactive members by using a step-by-step
- 35 process based on building strong relationships, implementing a visitation plan, and holding
- 36 reclamation events such as music concerts, holiday programs, and reunion or homecoming day,
- 37 etc.
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- 39       4.       Monitor and evaluate discipleship, nurture, and reclamation efforts:
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- 41           a.       Utilize an assessment and planning tool to identify and develop key
- 42 ministries. Assess the strength of your church’s ministry in each area listed in the above
- 43 recommendations by using the provided sample or a similar instrument.

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b. Utilize an evaluation tool to periodically review disciple-making effectiveness. Beyond merely tracking baptisms and attendance, assess the effectiveness of your congregation’s discipleship plan by examining spiritual growth, especially of those recently baptized, and their involvement in different aspects of Christian life.

*Recommendations for Administration (Already presented to and voted by the Summit)*

1. The General Conference to have a dedicated Associate Secretary whose responsibilities are to monitor progress, especially achievement of goals in the area of nurture, retention, discipleship and reclamation; this Associate Secretary to be secretary of the General Conference Nurture and Retention Committee (ADCOM-S).

2. A new section to be added to the *Church Manual* on the following:

a. Conducting periodic/annual membership audit from a redemptive/pastoral care perspective

b. The need for local churches to craft and implement a customized strategy to move the congregation towards being a missional community that builds relationships with one another and with the community in order to create comfortable environments wherein they can—through service—share their faith and their testimonies of God’s love and grace.

c. Intentional mentoring of young people and newly baptized members.

d. Training in conflict resolution and reconciliation to be implemented in the local church.

3. Clarify the meaning of evangelism and discipleship in the Church Board section of the *Church Manual*.

4. Add to the Sabbath School section of the *Church Manual* regarding the vital role of Sabbath School in discipleship.

5. Each division to have an active discipleship plan, tailored to their local context and drawing on resources prepared by General Conference and division departments.

6. Each union to actively encourage the adoption by their local churches of a clear strategy on how they are going to nurture and train their disciples and reclaim missing members.

7. Seventh-day Adventist Church leaders and educational institution leaders to establish initiatives to increase the availability of Adventist education to children and youth,

1 given the relationship between attendance at an Adventist school and retention of youth in the  
2 Church.

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4 8. Specific training in nurture, retention and discipling to be foundational of all  
5 ministerial and theological education programs.

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3 225-19Ga NOMENCLATURE AND STATUS OF ORGANIZATIONAL

4 UNITS - POLICY AMENDMENT

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6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC B 10 02, Nomenclature and Status of Organizational Units,  
7 to read as follows:

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9 B 10 02 Nomenclature and Status of Organizational Units—1. The global - No change

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11 2. One of two classifications, mission status or conference status, may be granted to  
12 constituency-based levels of denominational organization. In denominational structure, typically,  
13 the family of local churches may be classified as a local mission, local conference, or union of  
14 churches with conference or mission status. In similar fashion, the family of local missions/  
15 conferences may be classified as a union mission or a union conference.

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17 In areas where the word “mission” is a point of sensitivity which would inhibit the work  
18 of the Church, the word “section” may be substituted in the name of either a local field or a  
19 union. In such cases, it is understood that section carries the same meaning as mission and that in  
20 all cases where *Working Policy* refers to a local mission or union mission, the same also applies  
21 to a local section or union section. Another English-language alternative for a local mission is  
22 “field.”

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24 3. It may be necessary, to form organizational units that are not - No change

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26 4. When an organization having region/field station status is - No change

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28 5. Mission/Field (the alternative English-language term for - No change

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30 6. When an organization having mission/field status is considered - No change

1 ASTRCOM/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC

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3 225-19Gb USE OF “UNION MISSION” AND “LOCAL MISSION” -

4 POLICY DIRECTIVE

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6 RECOMMENDED, To approve a directive to amend the General Conference *Working Policy*,  
7 where appropriate, by including “section” as a substitution for “mission” when referencing  
8 “union mission” or “local mission/field.” For example, “union mission” would become “union  
9 mission/section,” “local mission/field” would become “local mission/field/section,” and  
10 “conference/mission/field” would become “conference/mission/field/section.”

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

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3 207-19G GENERAL CONFERENCE (OUTLINE AND DEFINITIONS  
4 OF DENOMINATIONAL ORGANIZATION) - POLICY  
5 AMENDMENT  
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7 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC B 10 20, General Conference (Outline and Definitions of  
8 Denominational Organization), to read as follows:  
9

10 B 10 20 General Conference—1. General Conference—The worldwide - No change  
11

12 2. Divisions—To facilitate its worldwide activity, the General Conference has established  
13 regional offices, known as divisions of the General Conference, which have been assigned, by  
14 action of the General Conference Executive Committee at Annual Councils, general  
15 administrative and supervisory responsibilities for designated groups of unions and other church  
16 units within specific geographic areas. (See C 05, Division Territories. The division executive  
17 committee acts for the General Conference Executive Committee in the territory of the  
18 respective division.) After administrative consultation with the units directly affected, the  
19 General Conference Executive Committee at Annual Council may:  
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21 a. Reconfigure division territories and/or establish new divisions.  
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23 b. Determine the location or relocation of a division office.  
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25 When such decisions are made, the General Conference Executive Committee shall also  
26 approve the financial plan, including acquisition, division, or disposal of assets involved in the  
27 reconfiguration of division territories or the establishment or relocation of a division office. In  
28 situations where geopolitical circumstances inhibit a division committee’s supervisory role in  
29 part of the division territory, the division committee may request from the General Conference  
30 Administrative Committee an appropriate arrangement to address the situation.  
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32 3. Additional Organizations—The General Conference is authorized - No change

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3 226-19G DIVISION SUPPLEMENTS (*CHURCH MANUAL*) - POLICY

4 AMENDMENT

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6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC BA 15 20, Division Supplements (*Church Manual*), to read  
7 as follows:

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9 BA 15 20 Division Supplements—The *Seventh-day Adventist Church Manual* applies to  
10 the world field, and divisions should make it available in the languages of their respective areas.  
11 Each division ~~division, including the North American Division~~, should prepare a “supplement”  
12 to the *Seventh-day Adventist Church Manual*, not in any way modifying it, but containing such  
13 additional matter as is applicable to the conditions and circumstances prevailing in the division.  
14 The manuscripts of these “supplements” shall be submitted to the General Conference Executive  
15 Committee for endorsement before being printed. (See General Conference 1948 Annual Council  
16 page 19.)

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

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3 229-19G SOCIAL MEDIA AND SOCIAL NETWORKING - NEW

4 POLICY

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6 RECOMMENDED, To adopt a new policy, GC BA 72 20, Social Media and Social

7 Networking, to read as follows:

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9 BA 72 20 Social Media and Social Networking—Organizations/institutions at every level

10 should develop and implement guidelines regarding the use of social media and social

11 networking that are in harmony with division working policy and consistent with national, state,

12 or provincial laws.

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

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3 215-19Ga UNION CONFERENCE SESSION - POLICY DELETION

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5 RATIONALE: Union conferences are governed by their constitution and bylaws, therefore this  
6 policy is redundant.

7  
8 RECOMMENDED, To delete GC C 30, Union Conference Session, which reads as follows:

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10 C 30 Union Conference Session

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12 C 30 05 Layperson Delegates—The delegations to union conference sessions shall  
13 include a fair proportion of laypersons, not in denominational employ. This recommendation is  
14 to apply to all divisions where conditions make its application advisable.

15  
16 C 30 10 Standing Committees—The union conferences in session shall make  
17 constitutional provision for the appointment of standing committees as follows: the standing  
18 committees for the union session shall be nominated by a special committee consisting of a  
19 General Conference or division representative who may be present, who shall act as chair, and  
20 three representatives from each local conference/mission/field. The local  
21 conference/mission/field representatives on this special committee shall be appointed by their  
22 respective delegations at the union session.

23  
24 C 30 15 Nominating Committee—The president of the division or one of the division  
25 officers shall be the chair of the nominating committee at the union conference session.  
26 Presidents of conferences which are members of the union shall be named members of the  
27 nominating committee.

28  
29 C 30 20 Audited Statements—Audited Statements and the auditors' reports are to be  
30 presented to union conference sessions as a regular procedure when financial statements are  
31 presented. Whenever possible the audit report is to be presented personally by the auditor.

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

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3 215-19Gb LOCAL CONFERENCE/MISSION/FIELD SESSION -  
4 POLICY DELETION

5  
6 RATIONALE: Local conferences/missions/fields are governed by their constitutions and bylaws  
7 or by their operating policies, therefore this policy is redundant.

8  
9 RECOMMENDED, To delete GC C 35, Union Conference Session, which reads as follows:

10  
11 C 35 Local Conference/Mission/Field Session

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13 C 35 05 Organizing Committee—The organizing committee to nominate standing  
14 committees at local conference/mission/field sessions shall be made up as follows:

15  
16 1. Each church represented in the delegation at the session shall be empowered,  
17 through its delegation, to choose one member of a committee to nominate standing committees.

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19 2. In conferences/missions/fields with less than 10,000 members, churches with 250  
20 or more members may choose one additional member for each 500 members or major fraction  
21 thereof. (This would provide a total of two members from churches with membership of 251-750  
22 members, a total of three members from churches with membership of 751-1250, etc.)

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24 3. In conferences/missions/fields with more than 10,000 members, one additional  
25 member shall be chosen by each church for each full 500 members. (This would provide a total  
26 of two members from churches with membership of 501-1000, three members from churches  
27 with membership of 1001-1500, etc.)

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29 4. The persons thus selected, together with the leading union conference  
30 representative present, who shall act as chair of this committee, shall be responsible for  
31 nominating all standing committees to be appointed by the session.

32  
33 C 35 10 Chair—Nominating Committee—The chair of the nominating committee at the  
34 local conference/mission/field session shall be the president of the union or, in his absence, one  
35 designated by him shall be named to serve as chair; and, further, the nominating committee shall  
36 consist of from nine to fifteen members including the chair, except in conferences/missions/  
37 fields of more than 10,000 members, where up to six additional members may be added. This  
38 membership shall be balanced, as nearly as possible, between denominational employees and  
39 laypersons representing various segments of the work and territories of the conference/mission/  
40 field. Incumbent officers, except in local missions/fields, and department directors/secretaries  
41 shall not be members of the nominating committee. To provide wider representation, incumbent  
42 members of the conference/mission executive committee ordinarily shall not serve as members  
43 of the nominating committee.

44  
45 C 35 15 Committee on Licenses and Credentials—The Committee on Licenses and  
46 Credentials shall be composed of the following:

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POLICY DELETION - 2

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1. Ordained ministers of experience

2. Non-ordained employees or lay members of experience; up to one third of the membership of the committee.

C 35 20 Audited Statements—Audited statements and the auditors’ reports are to be presented to conference/mission/field sessions as a regular procedure when financial statements are presented. Whenever possible the audit report is to be presented personally by the auditor.

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3 214-19Ga MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (UNION  
4 CONFERENCE MODEL BYLAWS) - POLICY AMENDMENT

5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 10 05, Union Conference Model Constitution and Bylaws,  
7 Bylaws, Article II, Membership/Constituency Meetings, to read as follows:

8  
9 **Article II—Membership/Constituency Meetings**

10  
11 **Sec. 1. Regular Meeting: This union conference shall hold a regular** - No change

12  
13 **Sec. 2. Special Meeting** - No change

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15 **Sec. 3. Chair and Secretary for Constituency Meetings: The president** - No change

16  
17 **Sec. 4. Regular Meeting Business: The business of the regular** - No change

18  
19 **Sec. 5. Quorum:** At least \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the delegates - No change

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21 **Sec. 6. Proxy Voting: All delegates must be present in person at any** - No change

22  
23 **Sec. 7. Voting Rights of the Delegates:** Each delegate appointed to act - No change

24  
25 **Sec. 8. Voting: The voting on matters of business shall normally** - No change

26  
27 **Sec. 9. Parliamentary Authority: The parliamentary authority** - No change

28  
29 **Sec. 10. Election/Appointment and Term of Office: a. Elections: Union conference**  
30 **~~officers and members of the executive committee who are not ex officio members~~ shall be**  
31 **electd by the delegates at the regular meeting of the union conference constituency. The**  
32 **election of departmental directors, associate departmental directors, associate secretaries,**  
33 **or associate treasurers, if not determined by the delegates at the union conference**  
34 **constituency meeting, shall be referred to the executive committee. Other positions to be**  
35 **filled by election may include the chief administrator(s) and board members of union**  
36 **institutions if and as required by the governance documents and structure for each entity.**

37  
38 **b. Term of Office: Persons elected at the constituency** - No change

39  
40 **Sec. 11. Election of Local Mission/Field Officers and Term of Office** - No change

41  
42 **Sec. 12. Executive Committee Membership: Members of the executive committee**  
43 **who are not ex officio members shall be elected by the delegates at the regular meeting of**  
44 **the union conference constituency.**

214-19Ga MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (UNION  
CONFERENCE MODEL BYLAWS) - POLICY  
AMENDMENT - 2

1           *(Note: Section 11 above is applicable to union conferences in whose territory there is a*  
2 *local mission.)*

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3 214-19Gb MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (UNION  
4 MISSION MODEL OPERATING POLICY) - POLICY  
5 AMENDMENT  
6

7 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 15 05, Union Mission Model Operating Policy, Article  
8 VII, Membership/Constituency Meetings, to read as follows:  
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10 **Article VII—Membership/Constituency Meetings**

11  
12 **Sec. 1. Regular Meetings: This union mission shall hold regular** - No change  
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14 **Sec. 2. Special Meeting** - No change  
15

16 **Sec. 3. Chair and Secretary for Constituency Meetings: The president** - No change  
17

18 **Sec. 4. Regular Meeting Business: The business of the regular** - No change  
19

20 **Sec. 5. Quorum:** At least \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the delegates - No change  
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22 **Sec. 6. Proxy Voting: All delegates must be present in person at any** - No change  
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24 **Sec. 7. Voting Rights of the Delegates:** Each delegate appointed to act - No change  
25

26 **Sec. 8. Voting: The voting on matters of business shall normally** - No change  
27

28 **Sec. 9. Parliamentary Authority:** The parliamentary authority - No change  
29

30 **Sec. 10. Elections/Appointments and Term of Office: a. Elections: The president,**  
31 **secretary, and treasurer/chief financial officer of this union mission shall be elected by the**  
32 **division executive committee rather than by the session of this union mission. The election**  
33 **of departmental directors, associate departmental directors, associate secretaries, or**  
34 **associate treasurers for this union mission, if not determined by the delegates at the union**  
35 **constituency meeting, shall be referred to the executive committee for appointment. Other**  
36 **positions to be filled by election may include the chief administrator(s) and board members**  
37 **of union institutions if and as required by the governance documents and structure for**  
38 **each entity. ~~The union constituency meeting shall also elect the members (other than ex~~**  
39 **~~officio) of the union executive committee and, where required by the governance~~**  
40 **~~documents of union institutions, the chief administrator(s) and board members of such~~**  
41 **~~entities.~~**  
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43 **b. Term of Office: Persons elected at the constituency** - No change  
44

45 **Sec. 11. Election of Local Mission/Field Officers and Term of Office** - No change  
46

214-19Gb MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (UNION  
MISSION MODEL OPERATING POLICY) - POLICY  
AMENDMENT - 2

1           **Sec. 12. Executive Committee Membership: Members of the executive committee**  
2 **who are not ex officio members shall be elected by the delegates at the regular meeting of**  
3 **the union mission constituency.**

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5           *(Note: Sec. 11. above is applicable to union missions in whose territory there is a local*  
6 *mission.)*

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3 214-19Gc MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (UNION OF  
4 CHURCHES MODEL BYLAWS) - POLICY AMENDMENT

5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 17 05, Union of Churches Model Constitution and  
7 Bylaws, Bylaws, Article II, Membership/Constituency Meetings, to read as follows:

8  
9 **Article II—Membership/Constituency Meetings**

10  
11 **Sec. 1. Regular Meeting: This union of churches shall hold a regular** - No change

12  
13 **Sec. 2. Special Meeting** - No change

14  
15 **Sec. 3. Chair and Secretary for Constituency Meetings: The president** - No change

16  
17 **Sec. 4. Regular Meeting Business: The business of the regular constituency meeting**  
18 **shall include the election/appointment of personnel for various positions (see Sec. 10. and**  
19 **11. below), the receipt of reports from the president, secretary, treasurer/chief financial**  
20 **officer (report based on audited statements), departmental directors, and the auditor. The**  
21 **constituency meeting shall endorse/approve/ develop plans for the conduct of the work as**  
22 **are desirable and in harmony with the policies of the \_\_\_\_\_ Division.**

23  
24 **Sec. 5. Quorum: At least \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the delegates** - No change

25  
26 **Sec. 6. Proxy Voting: All delegates must be present at any** - No change

27  
28 **Sec. 7. Voting Rights of the Delegates: Each delegate appointed to act** - No change

29  
30 **Sec. 8. Voting: The voting on matters of business shall normally** - No change

31  
32 **Sec. 9. Parliamentary Authority: The parliamentary authority** - No change

33  
34 **Sec. 10. Election/Appointment and Term of Office: a. Elections: All union of**  
35 **churches officers and members of the executive committee who are not ex-officio members**  
36 **shall be elected by the delegates at the regular meeting of the union of churches**  
37 **constituency. The election of departmental directors, associate departmental directors,**  
38 **associate secretaries, or associate treasurers, if not determined by the delegates at the union**  
39 **of churches constituency meeting, shall be referred to the executive committee for**  
40 **appointment. Other positions to be filled by election may include the chief administrator(s)**  
41 **and board members of union institutions if and as required by the governance documents**  
42 **and structure for each entity.**

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44 **b. Term of Office: Persons elected at the constituency** - No change

214-19Gc MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (UNION OF  
CHURCHES MODEL BYLAWS) - POLICY AMENDMENT - 2

1           **Sec. 11. Executive Committee Membership: Members of the executive committee**  
2 **who are not ex officio members shall be elected by the delegates at the regular meeting of**  
3 **the union of churches constituency.**

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3 214-19Gd MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (UNION OF  
4 CHURCHES MODEL OPERATING POLICY) - POLICY  
5 AMENDMENT  
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7 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 19 05, Union of Churches Model Operating Policy,  
8 Article VII, Membership/Constituency Meetings, to read as follows:  
9

10 **Article II—Membership/Constituency Meetings**

11  
12 **Sec. 1. Regular Meeting: This union of churches shall hold regular** - No change  
13

14 **Sec. 2. Special Meeting** - No change  
15

16 **Sec. 3. Chair and Secretary for Constituency Meetings: The president** - No change  
17

18 **Sec. 4. Regular Meeting Business: The business of the regular** - No change  
19

20 **Sec. 5. Quorum:** At least \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the delegates - No change  
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22 **Sec. 6. Proxy Voting: All delegates must be present in person at any** - No change  
23

24 **Sec. 7. Voting Rights of the Delegates:** Each delegate appointed to act - No change  
25

26 **Sec. 8. Voting: The voting on matters of business shall normally** - No change  
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28 **Sec. 9. Parliamentary Authority:** The parliamentary authority - No change  
29

30 **Sec. 10. Elections/Appointments and Term of Office: a. Elections: The election of**  
31 **departmental directors, associate departmental directors, associate secretaries, or associate**  
32 **treasurers, if not determined by the delegates at the union constituency meeting, shall be**  
33 **referred to the executive committee for appointment. Other positions to be filled by election**  
34 **may include the chief administrator(s) and board members of union institutions if and as**  
35 **required by the governance documents and structure for each entity. ~~The union~~**  
36 **~~constituency meeting shall also elect the members (other than ex officio) of the union~~**  
37 **~~executive committee and, where required by the governance documents of union~~**  
38 **~~institutions, the chief administrator(s) and board members of such entities.~~**  
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40 **b. Term of Office: Persons elected at the constituency** - No change  
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42 **Sec. 11. Executive Committee Membership: Members of the executive committee**  
43 **who are not ex officio members shall be elected by the delegates at the regular meeting of**  
44 **the union of churches constituency.**

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3 214-19Ge MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (LOCAL  
4 CONFERENCE MODEL BYLAWS) - POLICY AMENDMENT

5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 20 05, Local Conference Model Constitution and Bylaws,  
7 Bylaws, Article II, Membership/Constituency Meetings, to read as follows:

8  
9 **Article II—Membership/Constituency Meetings**

10  
11 **Sec. 1. Regular Meeting: This conference shall hold a regular** - No change

12  
13 **Sec. 2. Special Meeting** - No change

14  
15 **Sec. 3. Chair and Secretary for Constituency Meetings: The president** - No change

16  
17 **Sec. 4. Regular Meeting Business: The business of the regular** - No change

18  
19 **Sec. 5. Quorum:** At least \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the delegates - No change

20  
21 **Sec. 6. Proxy Voting: All delegates must be present in person at any** - No change

22  
23 **Sec. 7. Voting Rights of the Delegates:** Each delegate appointed to act - No change

24  
25 **Sec. 8. Voting: The voting on matters of business shall normally** - No change

26  
27 **Sec. 9. Parliamentary Authority: The parliamentary authority** - No change

28  
29 **Sec. 10. Election/Appointment and Term of Office: a. Election: All officers ~~and~~**  
30 **~~members of the executive committee who are not ex officio members~~ shall be elected by the**  
31 **delegates at the regular meeting of the conference constituency. The election of**  
32 **departmental directors, associate departmental directors, associate secretaries, or associate**  
33 **treasurers, if not determined by the delegates at the conference constituency meeting, shall**  
34 **be referred to the executive committee for appointment.**

35  
36 **b. Term of Office: Persons elected at the constituency** - No change

37  
38 **Sec. 11. Executive Committee Membership: Members of the executive committee**  
39 **who are not ex officio members shall be elected by the delegates at the regular meeting of**  
40 **the conference constituency.**

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3 214-19Gf MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (LOCAL  
4 MISSION MODEL OPERATING POLICY) - POLICY  
5 AMENDMENT  
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7 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 25 05, Local Mission Model Operating Policy, Article  
8 VII, Membership/Constituency Meetings, to read as follows:  
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10 **Article VII—Membership/Constituency Meetings**

11 **Sec. 1. Regular Meetings: This mission/field shall hold regular** - No change  
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13 **Sec. 2. Special Meeting** - No change  
14

15 **Sec. 3. Chair and Secretary for Constituency Meetings: The president** - No change  
16

17 **Sec. 4. Regular Meeting Business: The business of the regular** - No change  
18

19 **Sec. 5. Quorum:** At least \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the delegates - No change  
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21 **Sec. 6. Proxy Voting: All delegates must be present in person at any** - No change  
22

23 **Sec. 7. Voting Rights of the Delegates:** Each delegate appointed to act - No change  
24

25 **Sec. 8. Voting: The voting on matters of business shall normally** - No change  
26

27 **Sec. 9. Parliamentary Authority:** The parliamentary authority - No change  
28

29 **Sec. 10. Elections/Appointments and Term of Office: a. Elections: The president,**  
30 **secretary, and treasurer/chief financial officer of this mission/field shall be elected by the**  
31 **union constituency/executive committee rather than by the session of this mission/field. The**  
32 **election of departmental directors, associate departmental directors, associate secretaries,**  
33 **or associate treasurers for this mission/field, is normally done during the constituency**  
34 **session. If personnel for available positions are not all elected during the session, their**  
35 **appointment shall be referred to the executive committee. Other positions to be filled by**  
36 **election may include the chief administrator(s) and board members of mission/field**  
37 **institutions if and as required by the governance documents and structure for each entity.**  
38 ~~**The constituency meeting shall also elect the members (other than ex officio) of the**~~  
39 ~~**mission/field executive committee and, where required by the governance documents of**~~  
40 ~~**mission/field institutions, the chief administrator(s) and board members of such entities.**~~  
41

42 **b. Term of Office: Persons elected at the constituency** - No change  
43  
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214-19Gf MEMBERSHIP/CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS (LOCAL  
MISSION MODEL OPERATING POLICY) - POLICY  
AMENDMENT - 2

1           **Sec. 11. Executive Committee Membership: Members of the executive committee**  
2 **who are not ex officio members shall be elected by the delegates at the regular meeting of**  
3 **the mission/field constituency.**

1 WAD/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2  
3 216-19Ga CONSTITUENCY MEETING COMMITTEES (UNION  
4 CONFERENCE MODEL BYLAWS) - POLICY AMENDMENT

5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 10 05, Union Conference Model Constitution and Bylaws,  
7 Bylaws, Article IV, Constituency Meeting Committees, to read as follows:

8  
9 **Article IV—Constituency Meeting Committees**

10  
11 *(Note: Division executive committees may authorize a process whereby the session*  
12 *organizing and nominating committees may be selected and empowered to perform their tasks in*  
13 *advance of the session. The process to select such committees for a session shall involve*  
14 *constituency representation rather than being accomplished by the executive committee alone.*  
15 *Unless a division executive committee has approved other arrangements as described above, the*  
16 *following provisions shall apply for the appointment and functioning of session committees.)*

17  
18 **Prior to each union conference constituency meeting the executive committee shall**  
19 **provide for such temporary committees as may be necessary to conduct the preliminary**  
20 **work for the session.**

21  
22 **Committees that facilitate the business of the session include:**

23  
24 **Sec. 1. Organizing Committee - No change**

25  
26 **Sec. 2. Nominating Committee: The nominating committee shall consist of at least**  
27 **\_\_\_\_\_ and not more than \_\_\_\_\_ members, including the president of the**  
28 **\_\_\_\_\_ Division, or his designee, who shall serve as chair. The membership of the**  
29 **committee shall be balanced, as nearly as possible, between denominational workers and**  
30 **laypersons representing various segments of the work and territories of the conference.**

31  
32 **a. Those chosen as members of the Nominating Committee must - No change**

33  
34 **b. Persons holding elective office, as outlined in - No change**

35  
36 **c. The Nominating Committee shall limit its nominations to those - No change**

37  
38 **d. The Nominating Committee shall also nominate members for the - No change**

39  
40 **Sec. 3. Standing Constitution and Bylaws Committee: The standing - No change**

1 WAD/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)  
2  
3 216-19Gb CONSTITUENCY MEETING COMMITTEES (UNION  
4 MISSION MODEL OPERATING POLICY) - POLICY  
5 AMENDMENT  
6

7 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 15 05, Union Mission Model Operating Policy, Article IX,  
8 Constituency Meeting Committees, to read as follows:  
9

10 **Article IX—Constituency Meeting Committees**  
11

12 *(Note: Division executive committees may authorize a process whereby the session*  
13 *organizing and nominating committees may be selected and empowered to perform their tasks in*  
14 *advance of the session. The process to select such committees for a session shall involve*  
15 *constituency representation rather than being accomplished by the executive committee alone.*  
16 *Unless a division executive committee has approved other arrangements as described above, the*  
17 *following provisions shall apply for the appointment and functioning of session committees.)*  
18

19 **Prior to each constituency meeting of this union mission, the executive committee**  
20 **shall provide for such temporary committees as may be necessary to conduct the**  
21 **preliminary work for the session.**  
22

23 **Committees that facilitate the business of the session include:**  
24

25 **Sec. 1. Organizing Committee - No change**  
26

27 **Sec. 2. Nominating Committee: The nominating committee shall consist of**  
28 **\_\_\_\_\_ members, including the president of the \_\_\_\_\_ Division, or his designee,**  
29 **who shall serve as chair. The membership of the committee shall be balanced, as nearly as**  
30 **possible, between denominational workers and laypersons representing various segments**  
31 **of the work and territories of the conference.**  
32

- 33 **a. Those chosen as members of the Nominating Committee must - No change**  
34  
35 **b. Persons holding elective office, as outlined in - No change**  
36  
37 **c. The Nominating Committee shall limit its nominations to those - No change**  
38  
39 **d. The Nominating Committee shall also nominate members for the - No change**

1 WAD/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)  
2  
3 216-19Gc CONSTITUENT SESSION COMMITTEES (UNION OF  
4 CHURCHES MODEL BYLAWS) - POLICY AMENDMENT

5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 17 05, Union of Churches Model Constitution and  
7 Bylaws, Bylaws, Article IV, Constituent Session Committees, to read as follows:

8  
9 **Article IV—Constituent Session Committees**

10  
11 *(Note: Division executive committees may authorize a process whereby the session*  
12 *organizing and nominating committees may be selected and empowered to perform their tasks in*  
13 *advance of the session. The process to select such committees for a session shall involve*  
14 *constituency representation rather than being accomplished by the executive committee alone.*  
15 *Unless a division executive committee has approved other arrangements as described above, the*  
16 *following provisions shall apply for the appointment and functioning of session committees.)*  
17

18 Prior to each union conference constituency meeting the executive committee shall  
19 provide for such temporary committees as may be necessary to conduct the preliminary work for  
20 the session.

21  
22 Committees that facilitate the business of the session include:

23  
24 **Sec. 1. Organizing Committee - No change**

25  
26 **Sec. 2. Nominating Committee: The nominating committee shall consist of at least**  
27 **\_\_\_\_\_ and not more than \_\_\_\_\_ members, including the president of the**  
28 **\_\_\_\_\_ Division, or his designee, who shall serve as chair. The membership of the**  
29 **committee shall be balanced, as nearly as possible, between denominational workers and**  
30 **laypersons representing various segments of the work and territories of the conference.**  
31

32 **a. Those chosen as members of the Nominating Committee must - No change**

33  
34 **b. Persons holding elective office, as outlined in - No change**

35  
36 **c. The Nominating Committee shall limit its nominations to those - No change**

37  
38 **d. The Nominating Committee shall also nominate members for the - No change**

39  
40 **Sec. 3. Standing Constitution and Bylaws Committee: The standing - No change**

1 WAD/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)  
2  
3 216-19Gd CONSTITUENCY SESSION COMMITTEES (UNION OF  
4 CHURCHES MODEL OPERATING POLICY) - POLICY  
5 AMENDMENT  
6

7 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 19 05, Union of Churches Model Operating Policy,  
8 Article IX, Constituency Session Committees, to read as follows:  
9

10 **Article IX—Constituency Session Committees**  
11

12 *(Note: Division executive committees may authorize a process whereby the session*  
13 *organizing and nominating committees may be selected and empowered to perform their tasks in*  
14 *advance of the session. The process to select such committees for a session shall involve*  
15 *constituency representation rather than being accomplished by the executive committee alone.*  
16 *Unless a division executive committee has approved other arrangements as described above, the*  
17 *following provisions shall apply for the appointment and functioning of session committees.)*  
18

19 **Prior to each union of churches constituency meeting, the executive committee shall**  
20 **provide for such temporary committees as may be necessary to conduct the preliminary**  
21 **work for the session.**  
22

23 **Committees that facilitate the business of the session include:**  
24

25 **Sec. 1. Organizing Committee - No change**  
26

27 **Sec. 2. Nominating Committee: The nominating committee shall consist of**  
28 **\_\_\_\_\_ members, and not more than \_\_\_\_\_ members, including the president of**  
29 **the \_\_\_\_\_ Division, or his designee, who shall serve as chair. The membership of the**  
30 **committee shall be balanced, as nearly as possible, between denominational workers and**  
31 **laypersons representing various segments of the work and territories of the conference.**  
32

33 **a. Those chosen as members of the Nominating Committee must - No change**  
34

35 **b. Persons holding elective office, as outlined in ~~Article II, Sec. 10. and 11.~~**  
36 **Article VII, Sec. 10. Article in the current term shall not be eligible to serve on the**  
37 **Nominating Committee.**  
38

39 **c. The Nominating Committee shall limit its nominations to those - No change**  
40

41 **d. The Nominating Committee shall also nominate members for the - No change**

1 WAD/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)  
2  
3 216-19Ge CONSTITUENCY MEETING COMMITTEES (LOCAL  
4 MISSION MODEL OPERATING POLICY) - POLICY  
5 AMENDMENT  
6

7 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC D 25 05, Local Mission Model Operating Policy, Article IX,  
8 Constituency Meeting Committees, to read as follows:  
9

10 **Article IX—Constituency Meeting Committees**  
11

12 *(Note: Division executive committees may authorize a process whereby the session*  
13 *organizing and nominating committees may be selected and empowered to perform their tasks in*  
14 *advance of the session. The process to select such committees for a session shall involve*  
15 *constituency representation rather than being accomplished by the executive committee alone.*  
16 *Unless a division executive committee has approved other arrangements as described above, the*  
17 *following provisions shall apply for the appointment and functioning of session committees.)*  
18

19 **Prior to each union of churches constituency meeting, the executive committee shall**  
20 **provide for such temporary committees as may be necessary to conduct the preliminary**  
21 **work for the session.**  
22

23 **Committees that facilitate the business of the session include:**  
24

25 **Sec. 1. Organizing Committee - No change**  
26

27 **Sec. 2. Nominating Committee: The nominating committee shall consist of**  
28 **\_\_\_\_\_ members, including the president of the \_\_\_\_\_ Union, or his designee,**  
29 **who shall serve as chair. The membership of the committee shall be balanced, as nearly as**  
30 **possible, between denominational workers and laypersons representing various segments**  
31 **of the work and territories of the conference.**  
32

33 **a. Those chosen as members of the Nominating Committee must - No change**  
34

35 **b. Persons holding elective office, as outlined in Article V, Sec. 10. Article VII,**  
36 **Sec. 10. in the current term shall not be eligible to serve on the Nominating Committee.**  
37

38 **c. The Nominating Committee shall limit its nominations to those - No change**  
39

40 **d. The Nominating Committee shall also nominate members, other - No change**

1 EUD/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)  
2  
3 208-19G REPRESENTATION (UNION OF CHURCHES MODEL  
4 BYLAWS) - POLICY AMENDMENT

5  
6 RATIONALE: This amendment brings the Union of Churches Model Bylaws into harmony  
7 with the Local Conference Model Bylaws.

8  
9 RECOMMENDED, amend GC D 17 05, Union of Churches Model Constitution and Bylaws,  
10 Bylaws, Article III, Representation, to read as follows:

11  
12 **Article III—Representation**

13  
14 **Sec. 1. Regular Delegates: Member organizations of this union shall** - No change

15  
16 **Sec. 2. Delegates at Large: Delegates at large to a union constituency meeting**  
17 **include:**

18  
19 **a. The current members of the executive committee of this** - No change

20  
21 **b. Such other persons from the union of churches** - No change

22  
23 **c. Members of the General Conference** - No change

24  
25 **d. All employees holding credentials or ministerial licenses issued by this**  
26 **union of churches.**

27  
28 **Sec. 3. Church Membership Requirement: All delegates appointed to** - No change

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2

3 209-19Ga EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL - POLICY AMENDMENT

4

5 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC E 03, Employment of Personnel, to read as follows:

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E 03 Employment of Personnel

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10 In the employment of persons in every capacity, whether in an office environment,  
11 institution, or otherwise, great diligence shall be used to employ ~~only persons~~ qualified persons  
12 who are members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, in regular standing, in harmony with  
13 division working policy and consistent with national, state, or provincial laws; who exert a  
14 positive influence along spiritual lines for building up the work; and who adhere to Church  
standards and principles in all facets of their lives.

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2

3 209-19Gb EMPLOY CHURCH MEMBERS - POLICY DELETION

4

5 RATIONALE: This policy is already covered in GC E 03.

6

7 RECOMMENDED, To delete GC S 04 15, Employ Church Members, which reads as follows:

8

9 S 04 15 Employ Church Members—In the employment of persons in every capacity,  
10 whether in the office or otherwise, great diligence shall be used to employ only persons who are  
11 members of the Church, in regular standing, and who exert a positive influence along spiritual  
12 lines for the upbuilding of the work.

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)  
2  
3 210-19G EMPLOYEES RELEASED FROM GENERAL CONFERENCE  
4 RESPONSIBILITIES - POLICY DELETION  
5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To delete GC E 65, Employees Released from General Conference  
7 Responsibilities, which reads as follows:  
8

9 E 65 Employees Released From General Conference Responsibilities  
10

11 Elected members of the General Conference staff who are not continued in their service  
12 but who can be recommended for other employment, may be assisted in securing further  
13 denominational employment under the provisions of the policy for Employment. (See  
14 International Service Employee *Working Policy*, 900.34.05.)

1 SEC/PolRe&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2

3 217-19Ga VACATIONS AND HOLIDAYS - POLICY AMENDMENT

4

5 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC E 75, Vacations and Holidays, to read as follows:

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E 75 ~~Vacations and Holidays~~ Vacations, Holidays, and Medical Leave

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Denominational employers should develop guidelines for determining ~~vacations and holidays, for regular full-time~~ vacations, holidays, and medical leave for regular employees, that are in harmony with division working policy and consistent with national, state, or provincial laws.

1 PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2

3 217-19Gb GENERAL CONFERENCE CORE POLICIES FOR POLICY  
4 COMPLIANCE TESTING - POLICY AMENDMENT

5

6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC S 90, General Conference Core Policies for Policy  
7 Compliance Testing, paragraph 22, to read as follows:

8

<i>Summary of Policy</i>		<i>Materiality</i> <sup>(c)</sup>	<i>Assertion</i> <sup>(d)</sup>
PAYROLL			
22.	Vacations, holidays, and <del>sick time</del> <u>medical leave</u> practices shall comply with policy. (E 75)	All = 100 percent of officers, 90 percent of non-officer employees	The organization has complied with the policies on vacation, holiday, and <del>sick time</del> <u>medical leave</u> for each employee.

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1 SEC/TRE/OGC/HR/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/PreC/SecC/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-  
2 19AC(DIV)

3  
4 211-19G CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND/OR COMMITMENT  
5 DEFINED - POLICY AMENDMENT

6  
7 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC E 85 05, Conflict of Interest and/or Commitment Defined, to  
8 read as follows:

9  
10 E 85 05 Conflict of Interest and/or Commitment Defined—Conflict of interest shall mean  
11 any circumstance under which an employee or volunteer by virtue of financial or other personal  
12 interest, present or potential, directly or indirectly, may be influenced or appear to be influenced  
13 by any motive or desire for personal advantage, tangible or intangible, other than the success and  
14 well-being of the denomination.

15  
16 Because of the common objectives embraced by the various organizational units and  
17 institutions of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, membership held concurrently on more than  
18 one denominational committee or board does not of itself constitute a conflict of interest  
19 provided that all the other requirements of the policy are met. However, an officer, trustee, or  
20 director serving on an organization’s board is expected to act in the best interest of that  
21 organization and its role in denominational structure. Individuals, who by virtue of their position  
22 or based on their place of employment are invited to serve as members on boards/committees of  
23 entities/organizations that are not listed in the *Seventh-day Adventist Yearbook*, must secure  
24 approval from their relevant governing body/administrative committee and disclose their  
25 membership on such boards/committees.

26  
27 A conflict of commitment shall mean any situation which interferes with an employee’s  
28 ability to carry out his/her duties effectively. Elected, appointed, or salaried employees on full-  
29 time assignment are compensated for full-time employment; therefore, outside or dual  
30 employment or other activity, whether compensated or not, that in any way interferes with the  
31 performance of an employee’s duties and responsibilities is a conflict of commitment. A conflict  
32 of commitment also exists in situations where an employee functions contrary to the values and  
33 ethical conduct outlined in the organization’s statement of ethical foundations and conduct (see  
34 model Statement of Ethical Foundations recommended by the 1999 Annual Council as  
35 guidelines for divisions) or when an employee functions contrary to established codes of ethical  
36 conduct for employees in particular professions (e.g. legal, investments).

1 ACM/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)  
2  
3 231-19G ADVENTIST CHAPLAINCY MINISTRIES—  
4 DEPARTMENTAL POLICIES - POLICY AMENDMENT  
5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC FA, Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries—Departmental  
7 Policies, to read as follows:  
8

9 FA ADVENTIST CHAPLAINCY MINISTRIES—  
10 DEPARTMENTAL POLICIES  
11

12 FA 05 Purpose - No change  
13

14 FA 10 Desired Outcome - No change  
15

16 FA 15 Services and Resources  
17

18 FA 15 05 Functions—General Conference Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries (ACM)  
19 performs essential services and provides the following key resources for the world field:  
20

- 21 1. Strategic planning for ACM concerns and interests;
- 22 2. Standards and policies for Adventist chaplaincies;
- 23 3. Ecclesiastical endorsement of chaplains employed by General Conference  
24 institutions, as well as chaplains in divisions with no endorsing policies, and professional board  
25 certification of all Seventh-day Adventist chaplains;  
26  
27
- 28 4. Accreditation of chaplain training centers and chaplain programs;
- 29 5. Accountability of chaplains and integration with the denomination;
- 30 6. Resources and training for chaplaincy ministries;
- 31 7. Consultation and liaison activities; and
- 32 8. Advocacy of chaplaincy, professional publications, and educational materials.  
33  
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36

37 FA 15 10 Training Programs—Standards for chaplains are determined by - No change  
38

39 FA 20 Operations - No change  
40

41 FA 25 Employment of Adventist Chaplains - No change  
42  
43  
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231-19G ADVENTIST CHAPLAINCY MINISTRIES—  
DEPARTMENTAL POLICIES - POLICY AMENDMENT - 2

FA 30 Ecclesiastical Endorsement

All chaplains are pastors, though not all pastors are called to be chaplains. To become a chaplain, pastors must have advanced training, pastoral experience verified by current credentials, and ecclesiastical endorsement. Ecclesiastical endorsement from the Seventh-day Adventist Church is granted only to Adventist clergy. It is required to work as an Adventist chaplain in a denominational institution or to represent the Church as a chaplain in any public organization.

FA 30 05 Requirements—Ecclesiastical endorsement is the Church’s affirmation that a person is seeking or serving in chaplaincy and has presented evidence of their calling and training for that ministry. An applicant must:

1. Hold a ministerial license or a commissioned ministry credential - No change
2. Complete appropriate training for the specialized ministry (an undergraduate degree in theology or religion plus a master’s degree in theology or religion from a Seventh-day Adventist educational institution or other approved program), ~~ministry~~, and have the essential, pastoral experience as required; and
3. Maintain accountability with the endorsing denominational - No change

FA 30 10 Categories—The Seventh-day Adventist Church grants - No change

FA 30 15 Application Process— The General Conference and divisions - No change

FA 30 20 Ecclesiastical Endorsement and Conference Issued Credentials - No change

FA 30 25 Retention of Ecclesiastical Endorsement—In order to maintain - No change

FA 30 30 Non-clergy Volunteers—Ecclesiastical endorsement is not granted - No change

FA 35 Accreditation and Certification - No change

FA 40 Adventist Ministry to College and University Students (AMiCUS)  
[Repealed Annual Council 2016]

FA 45 World/National Service Organization - No change

1 AWR/OGC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2

3 230-19G STATEMENT OF PURPOSE (ADVENTIST WORLD

4 RADIO) - POLICY AMENDMENT

5

6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC HB 05, Statement of Purpose (Adventist World Radio), to  
7 read as follows:

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HB 05 Statement of Purpose

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Adventist World Radio is an institution of the General Conference of Seventh-day  
Adventists established to broadcast the Advent hope in ~~Christ~~ Christ, conveying the love of Jesus  
through the most effective media to the people groups of the world in their own ~~languages.~~  
languages, inviting all to accept Jesus as their Savior and become church members through  
baptism and discipleship. (See also A 15 40.)

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A priority is placed on broadcasting to areas that have limited opportunity for outreach  
activities, low membership to population ratios and large territories, the inability to access other  
broadcast media, and other special circumstances. Adventist World Radio uses radio, mobile  
phones, social media platforms, publications, internet broadcasts and podcasts, and health  
initiatives to fulfill the Great Commission by sharing the gospel with the hardest-to-reach people  
in their local languages. Such unreached people groups are found, for instance, in the countries  
of the 10/40 Window. Adventist World Radio uses local languages for broadcasting in order to  
reach the largest number of people.

1 IWM/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2  
3 232-19G SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST INSTITUTE OF WORLD  
4 MISSION - POLICY AMENDMENT

5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC M 09, Seventh-day Adventist Institute of World Mission, to  
7 read as follows:

8  
9 M 09 Seventh-day Adventist Institute of World Mission

10  
11 M 09 05 Structure and Purpose—The Institute of World Mission is the missionary  
12 training arm of the General Conference Secretariat. It fulfills the following functions under the  
13 direct supervision of Secretariat and in collaboration with General Conference International  
14 Personnel Resources and Services (IPRS): Purpose—The Institute of World Mission is located  
15 within the General Conference Secretariat. The Institute of World Mission fulfills the following  
16 functions in collaboration with General Conference International Personnel Resources and  
17 Services (IPRS) under the oversight of the Mission Board Strategy and Funding Committee:

18  
19 1. Holds regularly scheduled Mission Institutes to prepare international service  
20 employees, volunteers, and others interested in cross-cultural mission for effective service.

21  
22 2. ~~Assists in providing~~ Offers reentry programs and other resources that support an  
23 on-going “flow of care” for international service employee and volunteer families to enhance  
24 their service and long-term commitment to the mission of the Church.

25  
26 3. Provides mission training resources, online mission classes, and cross-cultural  
27 training seminars for missionaries, Adventist volunteers, and church administrators, whenever  
28 possible. resources and cross-cultural training seminars for church administrators, educators,  
29 pastors, and members.

30  
31 4. ~~Conducts~~ Contributes to mission education, writing, and research beneficial to the  
32 missionary program of the Church.

33  
34 5. Assists in cultivating mission vision in the world Church.

1 NAD/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2

3 227-19G STATISTICAL REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS -

4 POLICY AMENDMENT

5

6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC S 19 25, Statistical Reports and Financial Statements, to read  
7 as follows:

8

9 S 19 25 Statistical Reports and Financial Statements—The annual statistical report of all  
10 divisions, including the work of all conferences/missions/regions/field stations, and institutions  
11 in their territory, as well as a report of languages in which denominational activities are  
12 conducted, should reach the General Conference Office of Archives, Statistics, and Research not  
13 later than March 31. ~~February 28 for North American Division statistical reports and March 31~~  
14 ~~for reports from the other divisions.~~

15

16 One copy of the audited financial statement of each denominational organization shall be  
17 sent by General Conference Auditing Service (or the chief operating officer, in cases of  
18 organizations audited by other than the General Conference Auditing Service) to the General  
19 Conference Office of Archives, Statistics, and Research as outlined below. This statement shall  
20 include all supporting schedules and signed auditor’s opinions and shall be accompanied by a  
21 summary on Form F-49 no later than one month after the audit report has been released.

1 GCAS/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/222-18G/GCAS/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/TreC/GCDO19AC to  
2 HMM-19AC(DIV)

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4 206-19G ACCOUNTING MANUALS AUTHORITY - POLICY  
5 AMENDMENT

6  
7 RECOMMENDED, To amend S 19 30, Accounting Manuals Authority, to read as follows:  
8

9 S 19 30 Seventh-day Adventist Financial Reporting Framework and Accounting  
10 Manual—1. Purpose—To promote a uniform set of principles and a universal format for  
11 financial reporting, General Conference Treasury shall develop and illustrate a general-use  
12 financial reporting framework. This framework is based on International Financial Reporting  
13 Standards (IFRS), or country-specific reporting standards determined acceptable by the  
14 denomination, supplemented by selecting the preferred choice from options available in those  
15 reporting standards along with unique denominational reporting requirements.

16  
17 2. Authority—All denominational entities shall prepare monthly financial reports in  
18 accordance with the established Seventh-day Adventist Financial Reporting Framework , as  
19 illustrated in the most current published accounting manual prepared by General Conference  
20 Treasury.

21  
22 3. Compliance—Denominational entities are expected to comply with all relevant  
23 laws and regulations that require reporting of financial information to government agencies,  
24 which may be required to be in formats other than those used for general-use financial reporting.  
25 It is understood that such government-mandated reporting is in addition to the required general-  
26 use financial reporting to the organization’s controlling board or executive committee that is in  
27 accordance with the established Seventh-day Adventist Financial Reporting Framework as  
28 illustrated in the most current published accounting manual prepared by General Conference  
29 Treasury. Organizations may use a single set of underlying accounting records to generate  
30 separate reports for both the denomination and government agencies.

31  
32 4. Exceptions—General Conference Treasury shall determine country-specific  
33 reporting standards included in the established Seventh-day Adventist Financial Reporting  
34 Framework and approve any exceptions to financial reporting which vary from illustrations in  
35 the current published accounting manual.

36  
37 ~~S 19 30 Accounting Manuals Authority—Financial reports shall be prepared in~~  
38 ~~accordance with applicable denominational accounting manuals prepared by the General~~  
39 ~~Conference Treasury. All organizations shall adhere to the appropriate current denominational~~  
40 ~~accounting manual as follows:~~

41  
42 ~~*International Accounting Manual (effective prior to 2012)*~~

43  
44 ~~*Seventh-day Adventist Accounting Manual (effective January 1, 2012)*~~

206-19G ACCOUNTING MANUALS AUTHORITY - POLICY  
AMENDMENT - 2

1           1.     ~~When country-specific accounting standards require a financial reporting~~  
2 ~~framework that differs from the denomination's accounting manual, those country-specific~~  
3 ~~standards take precedence and organizations are not required to maintain multiple sets of~~  
4 ~~accounting records to accommodate both country-specific standards and the accounting manual.~~

5  
6           2.     ~~Entities are expected to comply with all relevant laws and regulations that require~~  
7 ~~reporting of financial information to government agencies, which may be required to be in~~  
8 ~~formats other than that used for general-use financial reporting. It is understood that such~~  
9 ~~government mandated reporting is in addition to the required general-use financial reporting to~~  
10 ~~the organization's controlling board or executive committee.~~

11  
12           3.     ~~Any other exceptions to application of the accounting manual shall be approved~~  
13 ~~by General Conference Treasury.~~

1 NAD/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

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3 228-19G APPROPRIATION REQUESTS FROM DIVISIONS -

4 POLICY AMENDMENT

5

6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC T 20, Appropriation Requests from Divisions, to read as  
7 follows:

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T 20 Appropriation Requests from Divisions

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T 20 05 Appropriation Requests—1. Each division ~~that receives appropriations from the~~  
~~General Conference~~ shall submit a list of requests for appropriations to the General Conference  
by August 1 each year. Requests are to be accompanied by such supporting reports and  
documentation as called for by the General Conference.

16

2. Categories of Requests—Requests are to be categorized - No change

17

18

3. Divisions—Similar procedures, as determined by each - No change

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2  
3 233-19G TITHE AND THE ROLE OF THE CHURCH - POLICY  
4 AMENDMENT

5  
6 RATIONALE: This reference to the mission statement is being brought into harmony with the  
7 new mission statement as it was voted by the 2018 Annual Council.

8  
9 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC V 04 20, Tithe and the Role of the Church, to read as  
10 follows:

11  
12 V 04 20 Tithe and the Role of the Church—1. Christ entrusted His Church with authority  
13 to be used in the building up of the community of believers and in the fulfillment of its mission.  
14 The mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is to “Make disciples of Jesus Christ who live  
15 as his loving witnesses and proclaim to all people the everlasting gospel of the Three Angels’  
16 Messages in preparation for His soon return.” (See A 05 05.) ~~“The mission of the Seventh-day~~  
17 ~~Adventist Church is to proclaim to all peoples the everlasting gospel in the context of the three~~  
18 ~~angels’ messages of Revelation 14:6-12, leading them to accept Jesus as personal Savior, and to~~  
19 ~~unite with His Church, and nurturing them in preparation for His near return.” (See A 05 05.)~~  
20 God determined to finance the gospel ministry through the tithing system and entrusted the  
21 Church with the responsibility of administering this sacred fund (cf. Num 18:21).

- 22  
23 2. Under the guidance of the Word and the Spirit, it is God’s organized - No change  
24  
25 3. Certain functions in organizational leadership play a significant - No change  
26  
27 4. The organized Church is also responsible for establishing a proper - No change  
28  
29 5. In a particular way, the Church, through its appointed - No change

1 SEC/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

2

3 234-19G PERIODIC HEALTH EVALUATIONS (ALLOWANCES) -

4 POLICY AMENDMENT

5

6 RECOMMENDED, To amend GC Y 15 20, Periodic Health Evaluations (Allowances), to read  
7 as follows:

8

9 Y 15 20 Periodic Health Evaluations—1. Frequency—Organizations shall - No change

10

11 2. Scope—Health evaluations shall include a complete history, physical - No change

12

13 3. Report—A complete report of health evaluations shall - No change

14

15 4. Additional Procedures—Where tests and procedures are indicated - No change

16

17 ~~5. International Service Employees—Unless prohibited by law, health evaluations~~  
18 ~~for international service employees shall be required and processed in harmony with the~~  
19 ~~provisions of International Service Employee Working Policy, 200.05, Health Evaluations and~~  
20 ~~Clearance. Where such health evaluations are mandatory for international service employees,~~  
21 ~~periodic health evaluations based on the schedule outlined in paragraph 1. a. shall also be~~  
22 ~~available to those desiring or needing more frequent evaluations.~~

1 EDU/PolRev&Dev/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC(DIV)

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3 218-19G USE OF “MID-LEVEL TRAINING INSTITUTIONS” -

4 POLICY DIRECTIVE

5

6 RECOMMENDED, To approve a directive to amend the General Conference *Working Policy*,  
7 where appropriate, by deleting “mid-level training institutions” and replacing it with “mid-level  
8 institutions.”

1 OGC/Con&By/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO17AC/17AC/209-17GS/202-18GS/Con&By/ADCOM/  
2 SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

3  
4 201-19GS GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSIONS - CONSTITUTION  
5 AND BYLAWS AMENDMENT

6  
7 RECOMMENDED, To amend the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws, Constitution  
8 Article V—General Conference Sessions, to read as follows:

9  
10 ARTICLE V—GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSIONS

11  
12 Sec. 1. The General Conference shall hold quinquennial Sessions - No change

13  
14 Sec. 2. The General Conference Executive Committee may call - No change

15  
16 Sec. 3. At least one-third of the total delegates authorized hereinafter - No change

17  
18 Sec. 4. The election of officers and the voting on all matters of business - No change

19  
20 Sec. 5. Minutes of the General Conference Session shall be approved at the first Annual  
21 Council of the General Conference Executive Committee following a regular or special session.

22  
23 ~~Sec. 5.~~ Sec. 6. The delegates to a General Conference Session shall be - No change

24  
25 ~~Sec. 6.~~ Sec. 7. Regular delegates shall represent the General Conference's - No change

26  
27 ~~Sec. 7.~~ Sec. 8. Regular delegates shall be allotted on the following - No change

28  
29 ~~Sec. 8.~~ Sec. 9. Delegates at large shall represent the General - No change

30  
31 ~~Sec. 9.~~ Sec. 10. Division administrations shall consult with unions to ensure - No change

32  
33 ~~Sec. 10.~~ Sec. 11. Credentials to sessions shall be issued by the - No change

34  
35 ~~Sec. 11.~~ Sec. 12. Calculations for all delegate allotments, as provided - No change

36  
37 Sec. 13. Parliamentary Authority: The parliamentary authority pertaining to all rules and  
38 procedures for General Conference Session not covered by its constitution and bylaws shall be  
39 based on the *General Conference Rules of Order.*

1 SEC/Con&By/SecC/211-17GS/204-18GS/Con&By/ADCOM/OGC/Con&By/Con&By/  
2 ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

3  
4 203-19GS GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE -  
5 CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS AMENDMENT

6  
7 RECOMMENDED, To amend the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws, Constitution  
8 Article VIII—General Conference Executive Committee, to read as follows:

9  
10 ARTICLE VIII—GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

11  
12 Sec. 1. The Executive Committee of the General Conference shall consist of:

- 13  
14 a. Ex Officio Members—1) Those elected as provided for in - No change  
15  
16 2) Presidents of unions, past presidents of the General - No change  
17  
18 3) The president-executive director of each of the following  
19 organizations provided the respective organization remains classified as a General Conference-  
20 sponsored entity: Adventist Development and Relief Agency International, Adventist  
21 International Institute of Advanced Studies, Adventist Risk Management, Adventist University  
22 of Africa, Adventist World Radio, Andrews University, ~~Christian Record Services~~, Hope  
23 Channel, Loma Linda University Health, Review and Herald Publishing Association.  
24  
25 4) The editor of each of the following publications: ~~Adventist Review,~~  
26 ~~Adventist World,~~ Adventist Review/Adventist World, Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guide,  
27 Ministry.  
28  
29 5) The director of each of the following - No change  
30  
31 6) The president and board chair of Ellen G White - No change  
32  
33 b. Elected Members—1) Three laypersons and one church pastor from each  
34 division without regard to membership size up to 500,000 members. One additional church  
35 pastor or other ~~frontline denominational employee~~ frontline, full-time denominational employee,  
36 such as Bible worker, health care professional, literature evangelist, teacher, etc. for each  
37 additional 500,000 members or major portion thereof. The above laypersons, pastors, and other  
38 denominational employees shall be selected by each division executive committee from  
39 individuals recommended by the union executive committees and shall be Seventh-day  
40 Adventists in regular standing.  
41  
42 2) No fewer than fifteen and no more than twenty - No change  
43  
44 3) No fewer than fifteen and no more than twenty - No change  
45

203-19GS GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE -  
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS AMENDMENT - 2

1           Sec. 2. Minutes of the General Conference Executive Committee, including those of  
2 Annual Council and Spring Meeting, shall be approved during a meeting of the General  
3 Conference Administrative Committee, after such minutes have been distributed to the Executive  
4 Committee members at least one week prior to the meeting of the General Conference  
5 Administrative Committee.

1 SEC/PRE/Con&By/ADCOM/PreC/SecC/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

2  
3 221-19GS GENERAL CONFERENCE UNDERSECRETARY AND  
4 ASSOCIATE SECRETARIES - CONSTITUTION AND  
5 BYLAWS AMENDMENT  
6

7 RECOMMENDED, To amend the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws, Bylaws  
8 Article IV—General Conference Undersecretary and Associate Secretaries, to read as follows:  
9

10 ARTICLE IV—GENERAL CONFERENCE  
11 UNDERSECRETARY AND ASSOCIATE SECRETARIES  
12

13 Sec. 1. An undersecretary and associate secretaries shall be elected to share - No change  
14

15 ~~Sec. 2. The secretary of the North American Division, by virtue of election to that~~  
16 ~~responsibility, shall also be an associate secretary of the General Conference.~~  
17

18 ~~Sec. 3.~~ Sec. 2. The role of the General Conference undersecretary and associate secretaries,  
19 in relationship to the divisions, includes the following:  
20

21 a. To serve as liaisons with division secretaries as assigned by the General  
22 Conference secretary.  
23

24 b. To facilitate the processing of calls for ~~interdivision employees.~~ international  
25 service employees.  
26

27 c. To recruit ~~interdivision employees~~ international service employees to fill the  
28 needs of the divisions.  
29

30 d. To assist the divisions with personnel and policy matters.

1 PRE/Con&By/ADCOM/PreC/SecC/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

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3 222-19GS GENERAL CONFERENCE UNDERTREASURER AND

4 ASSOCIATE TREASURERS - CONSTITUTION AND

5 BYLAWS AMENDMENT

6

7 RECOMMENDED, To amend the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws, Bylaws

8 Article V—General Conference Undertreasurer and Associate Treasurers, to read as follows:

9

10 ARTICLE V—GENERAL CONFERENCE

11 UNDERTREASURER AND ASSOCIATE TREASURERS

12

13 Sec. 1. An undertreasurer and associate treasurers shall be elected to - No change

14

15 ~~Sec. 2. The treasurer/chief financial officer of the North American Division, by virtue of~~

16 ~~election to that responsibility, shall also be an associate treasurer of the General Conference.~~

17

18 ~~Sec. 3.~~ Sec. 2. The role of the General Conference undertreasurer and - No change

1 SEC/Con&By/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

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3 220-19GSE DEPARTMENTS AND ASSOCIATIONS—  
4 DIRECTORS/SECRETARIES, ASSOCIATES, AND  
5 ASSISTANTS - CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS EDITORIAL  
6 AMENDMENT

7

8 RECOMMENDED, To amend the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws, Bylaws  
9 Article X—Departments and Associates—Directors/Secretaries, Associates, and Assistants, to  
10 read as follows:

11

12 ARTICLE X—DEPARTMENTS AND ASSOCIATIONS—  
13 DIRECTORS/SECRETARIES, ASSOCIATES, AND ASSISTANTS

14

15 Sec. 1. Departmental and association directors/secretaries and associate directors/  
16 secretaries shall be elected by the General Conference Session and assistants shall be appointed  
17 as determined by the General Conference Executive Committee to serve the world Church  
18 through the Ministerial Association and the following departments: Adventist Chaplaincy  
19 Ministries, Children’s Ministries, Communication, Education, Family Ministries, Health  
20 Ministries, Planned Giving and Trust Services, Public Affairs and Religious Liberty, Publishing  
21 Ministries, Sabbath School and Personal Ministries, Stewardship Ministries, ~~Planned Giving and~~  
22 ~~Trust Services~~, Women’s Ministries, and Youth Ministries

23

24 Should changes to the departmental structure of the General Conference be deemed  
25 necessary, such changes may be approved and implemented by action of the General Conference  
26 Executive Committee in Annual Council and continued, subject to ratification at the next  
27 General Conference Session. When additions or changes to department or association structures  
28 are implemented at times other than in connection with a General Conference Session, the  
29 General Conference Executive Committee at an Annual Council shall also address the staffing  
30 needs involved until the next General Conference Session.

31

32 Sec. 2. The departmental, association, agency, and service directors/secretaries - No change

33

34 Sec. 3. The term “associate director/secretary” shall be used to designate those - No change

35

36 Sec. 4. The term “assistant director/secretary” shall be used to designate those - No change

37

38 Sec. 5. Departmental and association directors/secretaries, associates, and - No change

1 ASTR/Con&By/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

2

3 219-19GSa DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF ARCHIVES, STATISTICS,  
4 AND RESEARCH - CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS  
5 AMENDMENT

6

7 RECOMMENDED, To amend the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws, Bylaws  
8 Article XII—Director of Office of Archives, Statistics, and Research, to read as follows:

9

10 ARTICLE XII—DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF ARCHIVES,  
11 STATISTICS, AND RESEARCH

12

13 At the first Annual Council of the General Conference Executive Committee following a  
14 regular session, the General Conference shall appoint a director of Office of Archives, Statistics,  
15 and Research whose duties shall be to administer the General Conference Office of Archives,  
16 Statistics, and Research and the records management program of the world headquarters, to  
17 compile and report the statistics of the world ~~work~~, Church, and to conduct research projects  
18 globally on behalf of General Conference administration, and who shall serve under the direction  
19 of the General Conference secretary and the General Conference Executive Committee.

1 OGC/Con&By/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

2  
3 219-19GSb APPOINTMENT - CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

4 EDITORIAL AMENDMENT

5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To amend the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws, Constitution  
7 Article VII—Appointment, to read as follows:

8  
9 ARTICLE VII—APPOINTMENT

10  
11 The following shall be appointed at the first Annual Council of the Executive Committee  
12 following a regular session: a director ~~of Office~~ of Archives, Statistics, and Research, a director  
13 and associate directors of the Biblical Research Institute, a director and research scientists of the  
14 Geoscience Research Institute, editors and associate editors for the principal denominational  
15 journals prepared at the General Conference, and any other non-departmental positions which have  
16 been established and filled by General Conference Executive Committee appointment. This  
17 Annual Council shall also appoint the membership of standing committees and various operating  
18 boards which have been established and filled by General Conference Executive Committee  
19 appointment.

1 SEC/Con&By/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO17AC/212-17GS/205-18GS/Con&By/ADCOM/Con&By/  
2 ADCOM/PRE/Con&By/ADCOM/PreC/SecC/TreC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

3  
4 204-19GS GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE -  
5 CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS AMENDMENT

6  
7 RECOMMENDED, To amend the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws, Bylaws,  
8 Article XIII—General Conference Executive Committee, to read as follows:

9  
10 ARTICLE XIII—GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

11  
12 Sec. 1. a. During the intervals between Sessions of the General - No change

13  
14 b. The General Conference Executive Committee shall - No change

15  
16 c. The General Conference Executive Committee shall have power to elect  
17 or remove, for cause, officers, directors, and associate directors of departments/associations/  
18 services and committee members, and to fill for the current term any vacancies that may occur in  
19 its offices, boards, committees, or agents due to death, resignation, or other reasons. The phrase  
20 “for cause,” when used in connection with removal from an elected or appointed position, or  
21 from membership on the General Conference Executive Committee, shall include but not be  
22 limited to 1) incompetence; 2) persistent failure to cooperate with duly constituted authority in  
23 substantive matters and with relevant employment and denominational policies; 3) actions which  
24 may be the subject of discipline under the *Seventh-day Adventist Church Manual*; ~~or~~ 4) failure to  
25 maintain regular standing as a member of the Seventh-day Adventist ~~Church~~. Church; 5) theft or  
26 embezzlement; or 6) conviction of or guilty plea for a crime.

27  
28 d. The General Conference Executive Committee shall have - No change

29  
30 e. The removal from office by the General Conference - No change

31  
32 f. The General Conference Executive Committee shall have - No change

33  
34 Sec. 2. a. A meeting of the General Conference Executive - No change

35  
36 b. A meeting of the General Conference Executive Committee - No change

37  
38 Sec. 3. A majority of the full membership of the General Conference - No change

39  
40 Sec. 4. Any fifteen members of the General Conference Executive Committee, including  
41 an officer of the General Conference, shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Committee for  
42 the disposition of routine items, and shall be empowered to transact business that is in harmony  
43 with the general plans outlined by the Executive Committee. A quorum of forty members is  
44 required for the disposition of non-routine items such as major financial decisions, the dismissal  
45 of elected and appointed employees, and the election of General Conference president, secretary,

204-19GS GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE -  
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS AMENDMENT - 2

1 ~~treasurer/~~chief financial officer, and vice presidents. ~~presidents of divisions and of general vice~~  
2 ~~presidents.~~ All meetings require notice to members as per ~~Sec. 8.~~ Sec 7. below.

3  
4       Sec. 5. All meetings of the General Conference Executive Committee - No change

5  
6       Sec. 6. Meetings of the General Conference Executive Committee - No change

7  
8       ~~Sec. 7. Local conference/mission/field presidents shall be invited to attend Annual~~  
9 ~~Council meetings of the General Conference Executive Committee when it is held within the~~  
10 ~~territory of their division. Unless an executive session, which consists of members only, is called,~~  
11 ~~such invitees shall be extended the privilege of participation in all discussions of the meeting, but~~  
12 ~~without vote.~~

13  
14       ~~Sec. 8.~~ Sec 7. Notice as to time, place, and any other requirements under - No change

1 ASTRCOM/Con&By/ADCOM/SecC/GCDO19AC to HMM-19AC+20GCS

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3 224-19GS USE OF “UNION MISSION” AND “LOCAL MISSION” -

4 CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS DIRECTIVE

5

6 RATIONALE: In areas where the word “mission” is a point of sensitivity which would inhibit  
7 the work of the Church, the word “section” may be substituted in the name of either a local field  
8 or a union. In such cases, it is understood that section carries the same meaning as mission and  
9 that in all cases where the Constitution and Bylaws refer to a local mission or union mission, the  
10 same also applies to a local section or union section. Another English-language alternative for a  
11 local mission is “field.”

12

13 RECOMMENDED, To approve a directive to amend the General Conference Constitution and  
14 Bylaws, where appropriate, by including “section” as a substitution for “mission” when  
15 referencing “union mission” or “local mission/field.” For example, “union mission” would  
16 become “union mission/section,” “local mission/field” would become “local mission/field/  
17 section,” and “conference/mission/field” would become “conference/mission/field/section.”

TRE/SP&B15SM/15SM/101-15Gi/SP&B16AC/16AC/101-16Ga/101-17Ga/SP&B18AC/18AC/  
101-18Ga/SP&B19AC to JRW-19AC(DIV)

101-19Ga CALENDAR OF THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS—  
WORLD 2020-2025

RECOMMENDED, To record the Calendar of Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings—World 2020-  
2025, which reads as follows:

			<u>Proj Selection</u>	<u>Visit to</u>
			<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Division</u>
2020				
	First Quarter	Inter-European Division	Mar 2018	Jun 2018
	Second Quarter	Trans-European Division	Jun 2018	Sep 2018
	Third Quarter	West-Central Africa Division	Sep 2018	Dec 2018
	Fourth Quarter	Southern Asia Division	Dec 2018	Mar 2019
2021				
	First Quarter	Euro-Asia Division	Mar 2019	Jun 2019
	Second Quarter	Inter-American Division	Jun 2019	Sep 2019
	Third Quarter	North American Division	Sep 2019	Dec 2019
	Fourth Quarter	Northern Asia-Pacific Division	Dec 2019	Mar 2020
2022				
	First Quarter	Southern Asia-Pacific Division	Mar 2020	Jun 2020
	Second Quarter	Southern Africa-Indian Ocean Division	Jun 2020	Sep 2020
	Third Quarter	South American Division	Sep 2020	Dec 2020
	Fourth Quarter	South Pacific Division	Dec 2020	Mar 2021
2023				
	First Quarter	East-Central Africa Division	Mar 2021	Jun 2021
	Second Quarter	Inter-European Division	Jun 2021	Sep 2021
	Third Quarter	Trans-European Division	Sep 2021	Dec 2021
	Fourth Quarter	West-Central Africa Division	Dec 2021	Mar 2022
2024				
	First Quarter	Southern Asia Division	Mar 2022	Jun 2022
	Second Quarter	Euro-Asia Division	Jun 2022	Sep 2022
	Third Quarter	Inter-American Division	Sep 2022	Dec 2022
	Fourth Quarter	North American Division	Dec 2022	Mar 2023
2025				
	First Quarter	Northern Asia-Pacific Division	Mar 2023	Jun 2023
	Second Quarter	Southern Asia-Pacific Division	Jun 2023	Sep 2023
	Third Quarter	Southern Africa-Indian Ocean Division	Sep 2023	Dec 2023
	Fourth Quarter	South American Division	Dec 2023	Mar 2024

101-19Ga CALENDAR OF THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS—  
WORLD 2020-2025 - 2

1	Distribution summary among divisions from 2020 through 2025:	
2		
3	East-Central Africa	1
4	Euro-Asia	2
5	Inter-American	2
6	Inter-European	2
7	North American	2
8	Northern Asia-Pacific	2
9	South American	2
10	South Pacific	1
11	Southern Africa-Indian Ocean	2
12	Southern Asia	2
13	Southern Asia-Pacific	2
14	Trans-European	2
15	West-Central Africa	2
16		

1 TRE/SP&B15SM/15SM/GCDO15AC/15AC/101-15Gg/101-16Gf/ADCOM/101-17Ge/18SM/  
2 SP&B18AC/18AC/101-18Gd/SP&B19SM/19SM to JRW-19AC(DIV)  
3  
4 101-19Gc CALENDAR OF OFFERINGS—WORLD 2020  
5  
6 RECOMMENDED, To adopt the Calendar of Offerings—World 2020, which reads as follows:  
7  
8 January  
9 4 Outreach/Church Budget  
10 11 Division  
11 18 Church Budget  
12 25 Conference/Union  
13  
14 February  
15 1 Outreach/Church Budget  
16 8 Division  
17 15 Church Budget  
18 22 Conference/Union  
19 29 Church Budget  
20  
21 March  
22 7 Outreach/Church Budget  
23 14\*+ Adventist World Radio  
24 21 Church Budget  
25 28 Conference/Union  
26  
27 April  
28 4 Outreach/Church Budget  
29 11\*+ World Mission Budget  
30 18 Church Budget  
31 25 Conference/Union  
32  
33 May  
34 2 Outreach/Church Budget  
35 9\*+ Disaster and Famine Relief (Program provided for NAD only)  
36 16 Church Budget  
37 23 Conference/Union  
38 30 Church Budget  
39  
40 June  
41 6 Outreach/Church Budget  
42 13 Division  
43 20 Church Budget  
44 27 Conference/Union (Offering received at GC Session will be for One Year in  
45 Mission)  
46

101-19Gc CALENDAR OF OFFERINGS—WORLD 2020 - 2

1	<u>July</u>	
2	4	Outreach/Church Budget (Offering received at GC Session will be for One Year
3		in Mission)
4	11*+	GC Session Offering: One Year in Mission
5	18	Church Budget
6	25	Conference/Union
7		
8	<u>August</u>	
9	1	Outreach/Church Budget
10	8	Division
11	15	Church Budget
12	22	Conference/Union
13	29	Church Budget
14		
15	<u>September</u>	
16	5	Outreach/Church Budget
17	12*+	World Mission Budget (Unusual Opportunities)
18	19	Church Budget
19	26	Conference/Union
20		
21	<u>October</u>	
22	3	Outreach/Church Budget
23	10	Division
24	17	Church Budget
25	24	Conference/Union
26	31	Church Budget
27		
28	<u>November</u>	
29	7	Outreach/Church Budget
30	14*+	Annual Sacrifice (Global Mission)
31	21	Church Budget
32	28	Conference/Union
33		
34	<u>December</u>	
35	5	Outreach/Church Budget
36	12	Division
37	19	Church Budget
38	26	Conference/Union
39		

101-19Gc CALENDAR OF OFFERINGS—WORLD 2020 - 3

1	<u>Summary of Offerings</u>	
2	General Conference	6
3	Division	6
4	Conference/Union	12
5	Church	28
6		
7	Total	52
8		
9	*Program provided by the General Conference	
10	+Worldwide offering	

1 TRE/SP&B19AC to JRW-19AC(DIV)  
2  
3 101-19Gf CALENDAR OF OFFERINGS—WORLD 2021  
4  
5 RECOMMENDED, To adopt the Calendar of Offerings—World 2021, which reads as follows:  
6  
7 January  
8 2 Outreach/Church Budget  
9 9 Division  
10 16 Church Budget  
11 23 Conference/Union  
12 30 Church Budget  
13  
14 February  
15 6 Outreach/Church Budget  
16 13 Division  
17 20 Church Budget  
18 27 Conference/Union  
19  
20 March  
21 6 Outreach/Church Budget  
22 13\*+ Adventist World Radio  
23 20 Church Budget  
24 27 Conference/Union  
25  
26 April  
27 3 Outreach/Church Budget  
28 10\*+ Hope Channel International  
29 17 Church Budget  
30 24 Conference/Union  
31  
32 May  
33 1 Outreach/Church Budget  
34 8\*+ Disaster and Famine Relief (Program provided for NAD only)  
35 15 Church Budget  
36 22 Conference/Union  
37 29 Church Budget  
38  
39 June  
40 5 Outreach/Church Budget  
41 12 Division  
42 19 Church Budget  
43 26 Conference/Union

101-19Gf CALENDAR OF OFFERINGS—WORLD 2021 - 2

1	<u>July</u>	
2	3	Outreach/Church Budget
3	10*+	World Mission Budget
4	17	Church Budget
5	24	Conference/Union
6	31	Church Budget
7		
8	<u>August</u>	
9	7	Outreach/Church Budget
10	14	Division
11	21	Church Budget
12	28	Conference/Union
13		
14	<u>September</u>	
15	4	Outreach/Church Budget
16	11*+	World Mission Budget (Unusual Opportunities)
17	18	Church Budget
18	25	Conference/Union
19		
20	<u>October</u>	
21	2	Outreach/Church Budget
22	9	Division
23	16	Church Budget
24	23	Conference/Union
25	30	Church Budget
26		
27	<u>November</u>	
28	6	Outreach/Church Budget
29	13*+	Annual Sacrifice (Global Mission)
30	20	Church Budget
31	27	Conference/Union
32		
33	<u>December</u>	
34	4	Outreach/Church Budget
35	11	Division
36	18	Church Budget
37	25	Conference/Union

101-19Gf CALENDAR OF OFFERINGS—WORLD 2021 - 3

1	<u>Summary of Offerings</u>	
2	General Conference	6
3	Division	6
4	Conference/Union	12
5	Church	28
6		
7	Total	52
8		
9	*Program provided by the General Conference	
10	+Worldwide offering	

1 PRE/ADCOM/GCDO16AC/16AC/ADCOM/101-16Gk/GCDO17SM/17SM/ADCOM/  
 2 GCDO17AC/17AC/ADCOM/101-17Gi/GCDO18SM/18SM/ADCOM/GCDO18AC/18AC/  
 3 101-18Gg to ESS-19AC(DIV)

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 5 101-19Ge CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS—  
 6 WORLD 2020

7  
 8 RECOMMENDED, To approve the Calendar of Special Days and Events—World 2020, to read  
 9 as follows:

		<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>MATERIALS</u>
10			
11			
12	<u>January</u>		
13	4	Day of Prayer and Fasting	---
14	8-18	Ten Days of Prayer	---
15	11	#Health Ministries	---
16	18	Religious Liberty Day	<i>Liberty</i>
17	25		
18			
19	<u>February</u>		
20	1	<i>Reach the World: Personal Outreach</i>	---
21	8-15	Christian Home and Marriage Week	---
22	15		
23	22		
24	29		
25			
26	<u>March</u>		
27	7	Women’s Day of Prayer	---
28	14	Adventist World Radio	Adventist World Radio*
29	21-28	Youth Week of Prayer	---
30	21	Global Children’s Day	---
31	21	Global Youth Day	---
32	28	#Christian Education	---
33			
34	<u>April</u>		
35	4	Day of Prayer and Fasting	---
36	4	#Youth Spiritual Commitment	---
37		Celebration (Northern Hemisphere)	
38	11	Friends of Hope Day (Visitor’s	---
39		Day)	
40	11	Hope Channel, Inc	Hope Channel, Inc*
41			

42 \*For divisions not on the Combined Offering Plan  
 43 #Divisions to prepare materials

44  
 45 Promotional materials for events sponsored by General Conference departments can be found at  
 46 <https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days>.

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101-19Ge CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS—  
WORLD 2020 - 2

		<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>MATERIALS</u>
1			
2	<u>April</u> contd		
3	18-24	#Literature Evangelism Rally Week ---	Divisions
4	18	World Impact Day—for Distribution ---	Divisions
5		of Missionary Book	
6	25	Special Needs Awareness Day ---	GC-SNM
7			
8	<u>May</u>		
9	2-30	Drug Awareness Month ---	GC-HM
10	2	<i>Reach the World</i> : Using ---	GC-COM
11		Communication Channels	
12	9	<i>Reach the World</i> : In the Community #Disaster/Famine Relief*	GC-PM/DIV
13	16		
14	23	World Day of Prayer for Children ---	GC-CHM
15		at Risk	
16	30		
17			
18	<u>June</u>		
19	6	<i>Reach the World</i> : Bible Study: ---	GC-SSPM
20		Sabbath School and	
21		Correspondence Courses	
22	13	Women’s Ministries Emphasis Day ---	GC-WM
23	20	<i>Reach the World</i> : Nurturing Other ---	GC-SSPM
24		Members and Reclaiming	
25	20	Adventist Church World ---	
26		Refugee Day	
27	27		
28			
29	<u>July</u>		
30	4	Day of Prayer and Fasting ---	R&RCom
31	11	Missions Promotion World Mission	GC-AM
32	18	<i>Reach the World</i> : Media Ministry ---	GC-COM
33	25	Children’s Sabbath ---	GC-CHM

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35 \*For divisions not on the Combined Offering Plan

36 #Divisions to prepare materials

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38 Promotional materials for events sponsored by General Conference departments can be found at  
39 <https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days>.

101-19Ge CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS—  
WORLD 2020 - 3

			<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>MATERIALS</u>
1				
2	<u>August</u>			
3	1	#Global Mission Evangelism	---	Divisions
4	8	<i>Reach the World</i> : Church Planting	---	GC-AM
5	15	Education Day	---	GC-EDU
6	22	enditnow Day	---	GC-WM
7	22	#Lay Evangelism	---	Divisions
8	29			
9				
10	<u>September</u>			
11	5	#Youth Spiritual Commitment	---	Divisions
12		Celebration (Southern Hemisphere)		
13	6-12	Family Togetherness Week	---	GC-FM
14	12	Mission Promotion	Unusual Opportunity*	GC-AM
15	19	Pathfinder Day	---	GC-YOU
16	26	#Sabbath School Guest Day	---	Divisions
17				
18	<u>October</u>			
19	3	Day of Prayer and Fasting	---	R&RCom
20	3	<i>Adventist Review</i> Subscription	---	GC-AR
21		Promotion		
22	10	Pastor Appreciation Day	---	GC-MIN
23	16-18	Global Public Campus Ministries	---	GC-PCM
24		Weekend		
25	17	Spirit of Prophecy and	---	GC-White Estate
26		Adventist Heritage		
27	24	Creation Sabbath	---	Faith&ScCou
28	31			
29				
30	<u>November</u>			
31	7-14	Week of Prayer	---	GC-AR
32	14-20	e-Week of Prayer for Youth and	---	GC-YOU
33		Young Adults		
34				

35 \*For divisions not on the Combined Offering Plan

36 #Divisions to prepare materials

37  
38 Promotional materials for events sponsored by General Conference departments can be found at  
39 <https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days>.

101-19Ge CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS—  
 WORLD 2020 - 4

		<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>MATERIALS</u>
1			
2	<u>November</u> contd		
3	14	Annual Sacrifice*	GC-AM
4	21	World Orphans-Vulnerable	GC-SNM
5		Children Day	
6	28	HIV/AIDS Awareness	GC-AAIM
7			
8	<u>December</u>		
9	5	#Stewardship	Divisions
10	12	#Health Emphasis	Divisions
11	19		
12	26		
13			
14	*For divisions not on the Combined Offering Plan		
15	#Divisions to prepare materials		
16			
17	Promotional materials for events sponsored by General Conference departments can be found at		
18	<a href="https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days">https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days</a> .		

1 PRE/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to ESS-19AC(DIV)  
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 3 101-19Gg CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS—  
 4 WORLD 2021

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 6 RECOMMENDED, To approve the Calendar of Special Days and Events—World 2021, to read  
 7 as follows:  
 8

		<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>MATERIALS</u>
9			
10	<u>January</u>		
11	2	Day of Prayer and Fasting	---
12	6-16	Ten Days of Prayer	---
13	9	#Health Ministries	---
14	16	Religious Liberty Day	<i>Liberty</i>
15	23		
16	30		
17			
18	<u>February</u>		
19	6	<i>Reach the World: Personal Outreach</i>	---
20	13-20	Christian Home and Marriage Week	---
21	20		
22	27		
23			
24	<u>March</u>		
25	6	Women’s Day of Prayer	---
26	13	Adventist World Radio	Adventist World Radio*
27	20-27	Youth Week of Prayer	---
28	20	Global Children’s Day	---
29	27	#Christian Education	---
30			
31	<u>April</u>		
32	3	Day of Prayer and Fasting	---
33	3	#Youth Spiritual Commitment	---
34		Celebration (Northern Hemisphere)	
35	10	Friends of Hope Day (Visitor’s	---
36		Day)	
37	10	Hope Channel International, Inc	Hope Channel Intl, Inc*
38			

39 \*For divisions not on the Combined Offering Plan  
 40 #Divisions to prepare materials

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 42 Promotional materials for events sponsored by General Conference departments can be found at  
 43 <https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days>.  
 44

101-19Gg CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS—  
WORLD 2021 - 2

		<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>MATERIALS</u>
1			
2	<u>April</u> contd		
3	17-23	#Literature Evangelism Rally Week ---	Divisions
4	18	World Impact Day—for Distribution ---	Divisions
5		of Missionary Book	
6	24	Special Needs Awareness Day ---	GC-APM
7			
8	<u>May</u>		
9	1-29	Drug Awareness Month ---	GC-HM
10	1	<i>Reach the World</i> : Using ---	GC-COM
11		Communication Channels	
12	8	<i>Reach the World</i> : In the Community #Disaster/Famine Relief*	GC-PM/DIV
13	15		
14	22	World Day of Prayer for Children ---	GC-CHM
15		at Risk	
16	29		
17			
18	<u>June</u>		
19	5	<i>Reach the World</i> : Bible Study: ---	GC-SSPM
20		Sabbath School and	
21		Correspondence Courses	
22	12	Women’s Ministries Emphasis Day ---	GC-WM
23	19	<i>Reach the World</i> : Nurturing Other ---	GC-SSPM
24		Members and Reclaiming	
25	19	Adventist Church World ---	
26		Refugee Day	
27	26		
28			
29	<u>July</u>		
30	3	Day of Prayer and Fasting ---	R&RCom
31	10	Missions Promotion World Mission	GC-AM
32	17	<i>Reach the World</i> : Media Ministry ---	GC-COM
33	24	Children’s Sabbath ---	GC-CHM
34	31		
35			

36 \*For divisions not on the Combined Offering Plan

37 #Divisions to prepare materials

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40 <https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days>.

101-19Gg CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS—  
WORLD 2021 - 3

			<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>MATERIALS</u>
1				
2	<u>August</u>			
3	7	#Global Mission Evangelism	---	Divisions
4	14	<i>Reach the World</i> : Church Planting	---	GC-AM
5	21	Education Day	---	GC-EDU
6	28	enditnow Day	---	GC-WM
7	28	#Lay Evangelism	---	Divisions
8				
9	<u>September</u>			
10	4	#Youth Spiritual Commitment	---	Divisions
11		Celebration (Southern Hemisphere)		
12	5-11	Family Togetherness Week	---	GC-FM
13	11	Mission Promotion	Unusual Opportunity*	GC-AM
14	18	Pathfinder Day	---	GC-YOU
15	25	#Sabbath School Guest Day	---	Divisions
16				
17	<u>October</u>			
18	2	Day of Prayer and Fasting	---	R&RCom
19	2	<i>Adventist Review</i> Subscription	---	GC-AR
20		Promotion		
21	9	Pastor Appreciation Day	---	GC-MIN
22	16	Spirit of Prophecy and	---	GC-White Estate
23		Adventist Heritage		
24	23	Creation Sabbath	---	Faith&ScCou
25	30			
26				
27	<u>November</u>			
28	6-13	Week of Prayer	---	GC-AR
29	13-19	e-Week of Prayer for Youth and	---	GC-YOU
30		Young Adults		
31	13		Annual Sacrifice*	GC-AM
32	20	World Orphans-Vulnerable	---	GC-APM
33		Children Day		
34	27	HIV/AIDS Awareness	---	GC-AAIM

35  
36 \*For divisions not on the Combined Offering Plan

37 #Divisions to prepare materials

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40 <https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days>.

101-19Gg CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS—  
WORLD 2021 - 4

			<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>MATERIALS</u>
1				
2	<u>December</u>			
3	4	#Stewardship	---	Divisions
4	11	#Health Emphasis	---	Divisions
5	18			
6	25			
7				
8	*For divisions not on the Combined Offering Plan			
9	#Divisions to prepare materials			
10				
11	Promotional materials for events sponsored by General Conference departments can be found at			
12	<a href="https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days">https://www.adventist.org/en/information/special-days</a> .			

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 2 ADCOM/GCDO16SM/16SM/ADCOM/GCDO16AC/16AC/102-16Gd/GCDO17SM/17SM/  
 3 ADCOM/GCDO17AC/17AC/ADCOM/102-17Gc/ADCOM/GCDO18SM/18SM/ADCOM/  
 4 GCDO18AC/18AC/ADCOM/102-18Gb/ADCOM/GCDO19SM/19SM/ADCOM/  
 5 GCDO19AC to KJP-19AC(DIV)

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 7 102-19Ga AUTHORIZED MEETINGS 2019

8  
 9 RECOMMENDED, To approve the updated list of Authorized Meetings 2019, with the  
 10 understanding that attendance at these meetings must also be approved by the administration  
 11 of each entity, as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>October 2019</u>			
8(pm)	Tue	Strategic Planning and Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
8(eve)	Tue	International Board of Education	Silver Spring MD
8(eve)	Tue	International Board of Min & Theol Ed (IBMTE)	Silver Spring MD
9(am)	Wed	General Conference Mission Board	Silver Spring MD
9(pm)	Wed	IRLA Board	Silver Spring MD
9(pm)	Wed	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
9(pm)	Wed	Accred Assoc of SDA Sch, Coll, & Univ	Silver Spring MD
9(eve)-10	Wed	General Conference Auditing Service Board	Silver Spring MD
10(am)	Thu	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
10(am)	Thu	Adventist University of Africa Board	Silver Spring MD
10(pm)	Thu	AIAS Board	Silver Spring MD
10(eve)-11(am)	Thu	LEAD Conference	Silver Spring MD
10(eve)-16	Thu	Annual Council	Silver Spring MD
18-20	Fri	175th Anniversary of 1844	Whitehall NY
<u>18-19</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>Global Public Campus Ministries Weekend</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
21-22	Mon	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Berrien Springs MI
23-24	Wed	Faith and Science Council	Berrien Springs MI
25(pm)	Fri	Andrews University Governance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
27	Sun	Andrews University Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
27(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
28	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
<u>November 2019</u>			
<u>December 2019</u>			
4-7	<del>Wed</del>	<del>Global Mission Center Directors Meeting</del>	<del>_____</del>
4(pm)	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board Committees	Silver Spring MD
5(am)	Thu	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
<u>6-9</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>Global Mission Center Directors Meeting</u>	<u>Jakarta INDONESIA</u>
9-10	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA

1 SEC/ADCOM/GCDO15SM/15SM/ADCOM/GCDO15AC/15AC/ADCOM/102-15Gf/  
 2 ADCOM/GCDO16SM/16SM/ADCOM/GCDO16AC/16AC/102-16Ge/GCDO17SM/17SM/  
 3 ADCOM/GCDO17AC/17AC/102-17Gd/ADCOM/GCDO18SM/18SM/GCDO18AC/18AC/  
 4 102-18Gc/ADCOM/GCDO19SM/19SM/ADCOM/GCDO19AC to KJP-19AC(DIV)

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 6 102-19Gb AUTHORIZED MEETINGS 2020  
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8 RECOMMENDED, To approve the updated list of Authorized Meetings 2020, with the  
 9 understanding that attendance at these meetings must also be approved by the administration  
 10 of each entity, as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>January 2020</u>			
14	Tue	Executive Officers Meeting	Cancun MEXICO
15-18	Wed	PREXAD with Division Presidents	Cancun MEXICO
20-Feb 8	Mon	IWM Mission Institute	Chiang Mai THAILAND
22-25	Wed	<u>Regional Global Healthcare Conference-India</u>	<u>Bangalore INDIA</u>
23	Thu	<u>Ellen G White Estate Board</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
28-30	Tue	Encyclopedia of SDAs Editorial Committee	Silver Spring MD
<u>February 2020</u>			
3-4	Mon	Biblical Research Institute Ethics Committee	Collegedale TN
<del>4-6</del>	<del>Tue</del>	<del>Global Leadership Summit</del>	<del>Johannesburg SOUTH AFRICA</del>
4-6	Tue	<u>Global Leadership Summit (SID)</u>	<u>Cape Town SOUTH AFRICA</u>
23-26	Sun	GC SSPM Regional Convocation—Americas	Cancun MEXICO
23(pm)	Sun	Loma Linda University Board Education	Loma Linda CA
24-25	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA
27	Thu	AUA Executive Committee	Nairobi KENYA
<u>March 2020</u>			
1(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Governance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
2	Mon	Andrews University Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
2(pm)	Mon	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
3	Tue	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
21	Sat	<u>Global Youth Day</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
23-26	Mon	Prime Time	Silver Spring MD
26(am)	Thu	General Conference Leadership Council	Silver Spring MD
<u>April 2020</u>			
6	Mon	Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
6	Mon	Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD
6	Mon	Treasurers Council	Silver Spring MD
6(am)	Mon	IBE Programs Review Committee	Silver Spring MD
7-8(am)	Tue	Global Mission Issues Committee	Silver Spring MD
7	Tue	<u>Ellen G White Estate Board</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>

102-19Gb AUTHORIZED MEETINGS 2020 - 2

1	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
2				
3	<u>April 2020</u> contd			
4	7(eve)	Tue	International Board of Education	Silver Spring MD
5	7(eve)	Tue	International Board of Min & Theol Ed (IBMTE)	Silver Spring MD
6	8(pm)	Wed	ADRA International Board	Silver Spring MD
7	8(eve)	Wed	Accred Assoc of SDA Sch, Coll, & Univ	Silver Spring MD
8	9(am)	Thu	GC & Division Officers	Silver Spring MD
9	9(pm)	Thu	Strategic Planning and Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
10	10(am)	Fri	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
11	12	Sun	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
12	12(eve)	Sun	Adventist AIDS International Ministry Board	Silver Spring MD
13	13(am)	Mon	General Conference Mission Board	Silver Spring MD
14	13(pm)	Mon	IRLA Board	Silver Spring MD
15	13(pm)	Mon	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
16	13(eve)	Mon	Hope Channel, Inc Board	Silver Spring MD
17	14-15	Tue	Spring Meeting	Silver Spring MD
18	20-May 9	Mon	IWM Mission Institute	
19	20-21	Mon	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Loma Linda CA
20	22-23	Wed	Faith and Science Council	Loma Linda CA
21	28-30	Tue	Hope Channel Network Leadership Conference	Bucharest ROMANIA
22	28-29	Tue	Adventist University of Africa Board	Nairobi KENYA
23				
24	<u>May 2020</u>			
25	5(pm)	Tue	AIIAS Constituency Meeting	Silang Cavite PHILIPPINES
26	6(am)	Wed	AIIAS Board Committee	Silang Cavite PHILIPPINES
27	7(am)	Thu	AIIAS Board Meeting	Silang Cavite PHILIPPINES
28	18-19	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA
29	27(pm)	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board Committees	Silver Spring MD
30	28(am)	Thu	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
31				
32	<u>June 2020</u>			
33	1-4	Mon	Prime Time	Silver Spring MD
34	4	Thu	<u>Ellen G White Estate Board</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
35	4(am)	Thu	General Conference Leadership Council	Silver Spring MD
36	7(eve)	Sun	Andrews University Governance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
37	8	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
38	15-21	Mon	IWM Re-Entry Seminars Family/Teen	Berrien Springs MI
39	22-24	Mon	Adventist Chaplains World Conference	Indianapolis IN
40	25-Jul 4	Thu	General Conference Session	Indianapolis IN
41				
42	<u>July 2020</u>			
43	13-Aug 1	Mon	IWM Mission Institute	Berrien Springs MI

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1	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
2				
3	<u>July 2020</u> contd			
4	22	Wed	AUA Executive Committee	Nairobi KENYA
5				
6	<u>August 2020</u>			
7	17-Sep 5	Mon	General Conference Mission Institute	
8	24-25	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA
9				
10	<u>September 2020</u>			
11	7-8	Mon	Biblical Research Institute Ethics Committee	Berrien Springs MI
12	14-17	Mon	Prime Time	Silver Spring MD
13	17	Thu	<u>Ellen G White Estate Board</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
14	17(am)	Thu	General Conference Leadership Council	Silver Spring MD
15	29	Tue	Presidential Advisory	Silver Spring MD
16	30(am)	Wed	ADRA International Board	Silver Spring MD
17				
18	<u>October 2020</u>			
19	1	Thu	Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
20	1	Thu	Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD
21	1	Thu	Treasurers Council	Silver Spring MD
22	4	Sun	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
23	5(am)	Mon	IBE Programs Review Committee	Silver Spring MD
24	5(am)	Mon	<i>Church Manual</i> Committee	Silver Spring MD
25	5(pm)	Mon	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
26	5(eve)	Mon	Adventist AIDS International Ministry Board	Silver Spring MD
27	6(am)	Tue	GC & Division Officers	Silver Spring MD
28	6(pm)	Tue	Strategic Planning and Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
29	6(eve)	Tue	International Board of Education	Silver Spring MD
30	6(eve)	Tue	International Board of Min & Theol Ed (IBMTE)	Silver Spring MD
31	7(am)	Wed	General Conference Mission Board	Silver Spring MD
32	7(pm)	Wed	IRLA Board	Silver Spring MD
33	7(pm)	Wed	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
34	7(pm)	Wed	Hope Channel, Inc Board	Silver Spring MD
35	7(pm)	Wed	Accred Assoc of SDA Sch, Coll, & Univ	Silver Spring MD
36	7(eve)-8	Wed	General Conference Auditing Service Board	Silver Spring MD
37	8(am)	Thu	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
38	8(am)	Thu	Adventist University of Africa Board	Silver Spring MD
39	<u>8(am)</u>	<u>Thu</u>	<u>ASI Coordinating Committee</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
40	8(pm)	Thu	AIAS Board	Silver Spring MD
41	8(eve)-9(am)	Thu	LEAD Conference	Silver Spring MD
42	8(eve)-14	Thu	Annual Council	Silver Spring MD
43	15-19	Thu	Global Healthcare Conference	Loma Linda CA

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102-19Gb AUTHORIZED MEETINGS 2020 - 4

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1				
2				
3	<u>October 2020</u> contd			
4	<u>15-18</u>	<u>Thu</u>	<u>Global Healthcare Conference</u>	<u>Loma Linda CA</u>
5	<u>18-19</u>	<u>Sun</u>	<u>Consortium of Adventist Med Educ Ldrs (CAMEL)</u>	<u>Loma Linda CA</u>
6	19-20	Mon	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Berrien Springs MI
7	21-22	Wed	Faith and Science Council	Berrien Springs MI
8	23(pm)	Fri	Andrews University Governance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
9	25	Sun	Andrews University Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
10	25(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
11	26	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
12				
13	<u>November 2020</u>			
14				
15	<u>December 2020</u>			
16	2(pm)	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board Committees	Silver Spring MD
17	3(am)	Thu	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
18	9-12	Wed	Global Mission Center Directors Meeting	
19	14-15	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	<hr/> Loma Linda CA

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	22-23	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees			Loma Linda CA																																	
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	12(eve)	Mon	Hope Channel, Inc Board			Silver Spring MD																																	
	13-14	Tue	Spring Meeting			Silver Spring MD																																	
	15(am)	Thu	Loma Linda University Constituency Meeting			Loma Linda CA																																	
	15(pm)	Thu	Loma Linda University Organizing Boards			Loma Linda CA																																	
	<u>19-May 8</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>IWM Mission Institute</u>			<u>_____</u>																																	

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3	<u>May 2021</u>			
4	24-25	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA
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6	<u>June 2021</u>			
7	<u>7-10</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Prime Time</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
8	<u>21-27</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>IWM Re-entry (Family &amp; Teen)</u>	<u>Berrien Springs MI</u>
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10	<u>July 2021</u>			
11	<u>12-31</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>IWM Mission Institute</u>	<u>Berrien Springs MI</u>
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13	<u>August 2021</u>			
14	30-31	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA
15				
16	<u>September 2021</u>			
17	<u>13-16</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Prime Time</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
18	28	Tue	Presidential Advisory	Silver Spring MD
19	29	Wed	Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
20	29	Wed	Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD
21	29	Wed	Treasurers Council	Silver Spring MD
22	30(am)	Thu	GC & Division Officers	Silver Spring MD
23	30(pm)	Thu	Strategic Planning and Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
24				
25	<u>October 2021</u>			
26	1(am)	Fri	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
27	3	Sun	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
28	4(am)	Mon	Church Manual Committee	Silver Spring MD
29	4(pm)	Mon	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
30	4(am)	Mon	IBE Programs Review Committee	Silver Spring MD
31	4(eve)	Mon	Adventist AIDS International Ministry Board	Silver Spring MD
32	5(am)	Tue	ADRA International Board	Silver Spring MD
33	5(pm)	Tue	General Conference Mission Board	Silver Spring MD
34	5(eve)	Tue	International Board of Education	Silver Spring MD
35	5(eve)	Tue	International Board of Min & Theol Ed	Silver Spring MD
36	6-7	Wed	General Conference Auditing Service Board	Silver Spring MD
37	6(am)	Wed	Hope Channel, Inc Board	Silver Spring MD
38	6(pm)	Wed	Accred Assoc of SDA Sch, Coll & Univ	Silver Spring MD
39	6(pm)	Wed	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
40	6(pm)	Wed	IRLA Board	Silver Spring MD
41	7(am)	Thu	Adventist University of Africa Board	Silver Spring MD
42	7(am)	Thu	Institute for the Prevention of Addictions Board	Silver Spring MD
43	7(pm)	Thu	AIAS Board	Silver Spring MD

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3	<u>October 2021 contd</u>			
4	7(pm)	Thu	ASI Coordinating Committee	Silver Spring MD
5	7(eve)-8	Thu	LEAD Conference	Silver Spring MD
6	7(eve)-13	Thu	Annual Council	Silver Spring MD
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8	<u>November 2021</u>			
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10	<u>December 2021</u>			
11	13-14	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA

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<u>January 2022</u>			
<u>17-Feb 5</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>IWM Mission Institute</u>	<u>Chiang Mai THAILAND</u>
<u>February 2022</u>			
<u>1-3</u>	<u>Tue</u>	<u>Global Leadership Summit (WAD)</u>	<u>_____</u>
25-27	Fri	Loma Linda University Board Retreat	Loma Linda CA
28-Mar 1	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA
<u>March 2022</u>			
<u>21-24</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Prime Time</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
<u>April 2022</u>			
4	Mon	Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
4	Mon	Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD
4	Mon	Treasurers Council	Silver Spring MD
4(am)	Mon	IBE Programs Review Committee	Silver Spring MD
5-6	Tue	Global Mission Issues Committee	Silver Spring MD
5(eve)	Tue	International Board of Education	Silver Spring MD
5(eve)	Tue	International Board of Min & Theol Ed	Silver Spring MD
6(pm)	Wed	ADRA International Board	Silver Spring MD
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3	<u>May 2022</u>			
4	11-14	Wed	Intl Leadership Conf for CHM, WM and FM	Bangkok THAILAND
5	23-24	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA
6				
7	<u>June 2022</u>			
8	<u>6-9</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Prime Time</u>	<u>Silver Spring MD</u>
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11	<u>July 2022</u>			
12	<u>11-30</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>IWM Mission Institute</u>	<u>Berrien Springs MI</u>
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14	<u>August 2022</u>			
15	29-30	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA
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4	6(pm)	Thu	AIIAS Board	Silver Spring MD
5	6(pm)	Thu	ASI Coordinating Committee	Silver Spring MD
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7	6(eve)-12	Thu	Annual Council	Silver Spring MD
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9	<u>November 2022</u>			
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11	<u>December 2022</u>			
12	12-13	Mon	Loma Linda University Board and Committees	Loma Linda CA

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3 128-19GS STEERING COMMITTEE—GENERAL CONFERENCE

4 SESSION - 2020

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6 RECOMMENDED, To approve the 2020 General Conference Session Steering Committee, as  
7 follows:

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Ted N C Wilson, Chair

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Hensley M Mooroooven, Secretary

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Members: Timothy H Aka, Guillermo E Biaggi, Mario Brito, G Alexander Bryant, Sheri  
Clemmer, Abner De los Santos, Karnik Doukmetzian, George O Egwakhe, Larry R Evans,  
Mark A Finley, Elie Henry, Daniel R Jackson, Raafat A Kamal, Mikhail F Kaminskiy, Si Young  
Kim, Erton C Kohler, Gary D Krause, Elbert Kuhn, Ezras Lakra, Thomas L Lemon, German A  
Lust, Solomon Maphosa, Geoffrey G Mbwana, Richard E McEdward, Duane McKey, G T Ng,

Daisy J F Orion, Lissy Park, Magdiel E Perez Schulz, Karen J Porter, Juan R  
Prestol-Puesan, C Randolph Robinson, Blasious M Ruguri, Michael L Ryan, Claude J Richli,  
Saw Samuel, Gerson P Santos, Silvia Sicalo, Ella S Simmons, Artur A Stele, John H Thomas,  
Glenn C Townend, J Raymond Wahlen, Elie Weick-Dido

Invitees: Williams S Costa Jr, William M Knott

## **“God’s Commandment-Keeping People”**

***Faith and Works, Chapter 8, pp 59-61***

All heaven has been looking with intense interest upon those who claim to be God’s commandment-keeping people. Here are the people who ought to be able to claim all the rich promises of God; who ought to be going on from glory to glory and from strength to strength; who ought to be in a position to reflect glory to God in the works that they do. Jesus has said, “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven” (Matthew 5:16).

We have received the rich blessing of God, but we must not stop here. We are to catch more and more the divine rays of light from heaven. We are to stand just where we can receive the light and reflect it, in its glory, upon the pathway of others. There has never been a time when we could feel more courage and confidence in the work than at the present time. There are many in our world who do not keep the commandments of God or make any profession of so doing, and yet they claim all His blessings. They are willing to accept and appropriate His promises without heeding the conditions upon which they are based. They have no right to the blessings they claim.

But why should not those who are keeping His commandments lay hold of the promises that have been given to the children of God? We can see Christ’s righteousness in the law. In the cross of Calvary, “mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other” (Psalm 85:10). This is the blending that there should be in our work.

Truth and righteousness must be presented with the love of God as it was manifested in Jesus. What purity will then be seen! What a cleansing of every moral defilement will be shown to be necessary! Then, when this is done, the stubbornness of the will which has kept so many away from the light, as they behold the preciousness of the Redeemer, His mercy and pity, will all be melted away from their souls.

Every one of us must fall on the Rock and be broken. Will there be one who will retain his stubbornness? Will there be one who will cling to his self-righteousness? Will there be one who will not catch sight of the preciousness of Christ? Is there a heart here that will not be subdued by the love of Jesus? Will any retain one particle of self-esteem?

We need to come still closer to God.... Why is it that our hearts have been so insensible to the love of God? Why have we had so hard a judgment of our heavenly Father? From the light that God has given me, I know that Satan has misrepresented our God in every possible way. He has cast his hellish shadow athwart our pathway, that we might not discern our God as a God of mercy, compassion, and truth. This is why the iron has entered into our souls.

Then we have talked of the darkness that the evil one has cast upon us, and we have bemoaned our condition; and in so doing, we have only spread the shadow over other souls, and that which has injured us was an injury to them. As we have uttered our words of unbelief, others have been enshrouded in darkness and doubt.

We cannot afford to do this work. We thus put our kind heavenly Father in a false light. All this should change. We must gather up the rays of divine truth and let our light shine upon the darkened pathway of others. Heaven's light shines for those who will follow Christ, the light of the world. He says, "He that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" (John 8:12).

What kind of recommendation do you give to the world of the religion of Christ if you go repining and complaining and filled with sorrow? Those who keep the commandments of God should make it manifest that the truth is sanctifying the soul, refining and purifying the thoughts, and elevating the character and life. Christ has died that the moral image of God might be restored in our souls and might be reflected to those around us.

We need to drink deeper and deeper of the fountain of life. I hope that not a soul will be satisfied without making thorough work for eternity, and from this time on may it be seen, both by precept and example, that you are representatives of Christ. You may have a living testimony to bear: "Hear what the Lord has done for my soul." The Lord is ready to impart still greater blessings.

He permitted all His goodness to pass before Moses; He proclaimed His character to him as a God full of mercy, long-suffering, and gracious—forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin. Moses was to represent this character to the people of Israel, and we are to do the same.

We are to go forth to proclaim the goodness of God and to make plain His real character before the people. We are to reflect His glory. Have we done this in the past? Have we revealed the character of our Lord by precept and example? Have we not joined in the work of the enemy of souls and misrepresented our heavenly Father? Have we not been passing judgment on our brethren, criticizing their words and actions? Then the love of God has not been enthroned in our souls. Let us make a decided change.