

5. Conference Arrangements

A. Future Conferences

The Methodist Council is required to print annually the plan for the locations of future meetings of the Conference. The venue is shown where known.

2023 Birmingham (22-29 June)

*****RESOLUTION**

5/1. The Conference adopted the Report.

B Associate Members

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5/2. The Conference invited the following Conferences, Churches and Christian bodies to appoint associate members of the Conference in 2023:

The Church of England
The Church in Wales
The Roman Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales
The Baptist Union of Great Britain
The United Reformed Church
The Church of Scotland

Europe:

UMC Northern Conference
UMC Central/Southern Conference
Chiesa Evangelica Metodista d'Italia
Igreja Evangelica Metodista Portuguesa
Iglesia Evangelica Española

Asia-Pacific:

Church of North India
Methodist Church Hong Kong
Gereja Methodist Indonesia
United Church of Christ in Japan
Methodist Church of New Zealand

Africa:

Methodist Church Kenya
Eglise Protestante Méthodiste du Bénin
Iglesia Metodista de Guinea Ecuatorial
Methodist Church Ghana
Methodist Church Zimbabwe

Latin America and the Caribbean:

Methodist Church of the Caribbean and the Americas
Comunidad Cristiana Metodista de Venezuela
Iglesia Metodista en Cuba
Iglesia Evangelica Metodista de Nicaragua
Iglesia Evangelica Metodista Argentina

C. Presbyteral Session

1. The Presbyteral Session defines by resolution who may normally be present at closed sessions. Attendance when it sits as a court of appeal is governed by Standing Order 1145(7).
2. For the sake of accuracy, it is desirable that the Presbyteral Session delegates to the Representative Session the responsibility for adopting the Record of its Sessions, thus allowing time for members to check its details.

*****RESOLUTIONS**

- 5/3. (Presbyteral Session) **The Presbyteral Session of the Conference resolved that whenever it goes into closed session its membership, except when Standing Order 1145(7) applies, or the Conference otherwise resolves, shall be confined to presbyters who are entitled to vote on the business under consideration, with the Conference Officer for Legal and Constitutional Practice in attendance as appropriate.**
- 5/4. (Presbyteral Session) **The Presbyteral Session of the Conference delegated to the Representative Session the adoption of the printed and written portions of the Daily Record for both days of its meeting.**
- 5/5. (Presbyteral Session) **The Conference directed that the total time available for the Presbyteral Session of the Conference of 2023 shall not be less than eight hours.**
- 5/6. (Presbyteral Session) **The Conference invited the Vice-President of the Conference of 2022/2023 to attend the Presbyteral Session of the 2023 Conference, apart from any closed sessions, with the right to speak but without a vote.**
- 5/7. **In accordance with Standing Order 105(1A) the Conference directed that the following Districts shall each elect at least one deacon to be a member of the Conference of 2023:**

Birmingham, East Anglia, Manchester and Stockport, Newcastle upon Tyne, Nottingham and Derby, Northampton, Southampton, Yorkshire West, Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury, Bedfordshire Essex and Hertfordshire, London.

Reserves: Wales Synod Cymru, Bristol, Chester and Stoke.