

Delegate Training Module

**49th Quadrennial Session
General Conference**

Nashville, TN

June 27 – July 4, 2012



EXALTING
CHRIST
TO IMPACT THE
WORLD



**Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center
Nashville, TN**

Innovation

“From Earth To Glory”



**Dr. Clement W. Fugh,
General Secretary/CIO**

General Conference
Innovations:
Past, Present, Future

Introduction



CLOUDS:

The new hub for digital life.



Delegate Responsibility

- **Apprise himself/herself of proposed legislation posted online**
- **Be present in designated seats during deliberation**
- **Attend District Caucuses**
- **Abide by the Rules of the General Conference**
- **Participate in Committee Work**
- **Stay Healthy**

General Conference Committees

*Due to be reported to the CIO 90 days
prior to General Conference Opening*

General Conference Committees

- **Episcopal Committee:** Elect two clergy and two lay
(one lay a youth)
- **Revisions Committee:** Elect one clergy and one lay
(arrive 5 days before General Conference)
- **Treasurers Report:** Appoint one clergy and one lay from each Annual Conference
- **Conference Boundaries:** Appoint one lay or clergy from each Annual Conference
- **Credentials Committee:** Appoint one lay and one clergy
(arrive 2 days early)
- **Rules Committee:** Appoint one lay and one clergy
(arrive 2 days early)

General Conference Committees

- **Worship**
- **General Secretary's Report**
- **Dept of Annuity Investments & Insurance**
- **Church Growth**
- **Christian Education**
- **Sunday School Union**
- **Christian Recorder**
- **Historiographer**
- **Global Witness**
- **WMS**
- **Educational Institutions**
- **Theological Scholarships**
- **Episcopal District Projects**
- **Overseas Development**
- **Social Action**
- **Economic Development**
- **Lay Organization**
- **RAYAC**
- **Health**
- **Women In Ministry**
- **Christian Debs and Masters**
- **Memorial**
- **Reception of Fraternal Delegates**
- **State of Church**
- **Public Relations**

General Conference Committees

Committees ELECTED at the site of the General Conference:

- **General Board Members:** 5-3 lay and 2 clergy, alternately
- **Preliminary Inquiry:** 4-2 lay and 2 clergy
- **Compilation Committee:** 1 lay or clergy, alternately
- **General Conference Commission:** 2-1 lay and one clergy

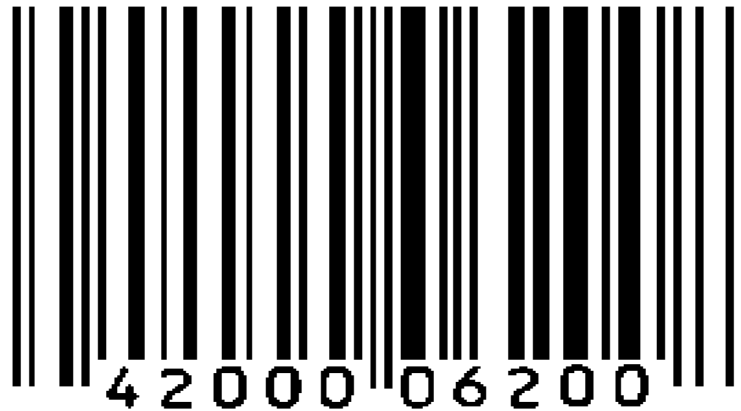
Rules Governing the General Conference

***The Book of Discipline of the
African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2008***

Pages 695-701

Registration

- **Lines at Convention Site**
 - **Certificates of Election**
- **Online**
- **Barcodes**



Voting

Paper Ballots



Voting Machines



Voting



Hand Held Device



Legislation

A. District/Conference Legislative Task Force

- Tutorial on Legislation:

What – Title

Where – Reference

How - Intent

Why – Rationale

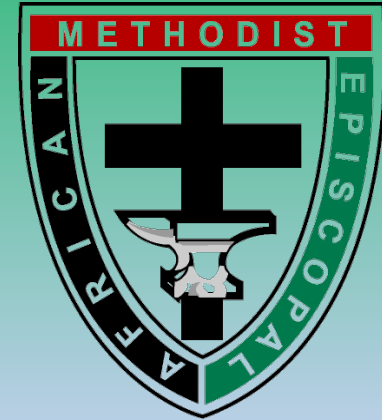
Whole – Text

How Much– Budgetary Implications

- Electronic Submissions/Templates

Legislation Template

To submit legislation, please save this document to your computer, enter the information requested below, and then email a copy to the General Secretary at cio@ame-church.com.



Bill Number

Title

Reference

Intent

Rationale

(Text)

Legislation (cont)

B. Online Review

C. Revisions Committee

**D. Three General
Conference Readings/
On Screen Review
refreshed daily**

E. Sample Legislation



Proposed Legislation for 2012

- **Inclusion of Young Adult clergy in the General Conference**
- **Creation of the position of Administrative Officer (AO) of AME Church, Inc.**
- **Restoration of New General Conference Delegate**

Legislation (cont)

F. Compilation Committee

1. Composition

Four (4) Bishops, Chairperson of the Revisions Committee; Secretaries of the Revisions Committee; the General Secretary; the Treasurer; and one (1) member from each Episcopal District.

2. Duties

Collect and assemble all adopted legislation of the General Conference, present the same in the exact manner and form as adopted to the duly authorized printer as per *The Book of Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church*.

Evolution of Reporting

- A. Episcopal Districts, Departments –
Components: Loose Paper; Bound**
- B. Common Template Projected On Screen**
- C. Posted on Official Website:
www.ame-church.com**
- D. Downloadable on Personal Devices**



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