



2026 General Conference

Petition Submission

Background Information and Documents

[Plan of Organization and Covenant](#)

[Petition Process Overview \(including Submission Instructions\)](#)

[Book of Doctrines and Discipline](#)

[Judicial Practice and Procedures](#)

Document Review Verification *

- ☐ I have downloaded and read the Plan of Organization & Covenant and the Petitions Process Overview documents linked above. Links to the Book of Doctrines and Discipline & the Judicial Practice and Procedures are provided here for your convenience.

Submission Reminders

- **Three Categories of Petitions** - Petitions can include:

- 1) Changes to one paragraph or
- 2) A new paragraph or
- 3) A resolution.

NOTE: Where a change in one paragraph necessitates changing another paragraph, the changes can be submitted in one petition.

To **submit legislation to change existing language**, choose the paragraph number appearing first in the document to which you are proposing a change (BDD or JPP).

- **GMC Membership** - All individuals submitting petitions for consideration **MUST** be a member of the Global Methodist Church. All cosigners be members of the Global Methodist Church. Groups eligible to submit legislation **MUST** meet the requirements in the Petitions Process Overview document linked above.

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Petitioner Information

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US: United States ▼

State/Province/Region *

US: Louisiana ▼

Valid Country Selection *

☒ Valid Country and State Selected

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Louisiana

State/Province/Region

United States

Country

Submitter Type *

- ☒ Individual
- ☐ Committee/Commission/Group
- ☐ Annual Conference

Submitter Membership Type *

- ☒ Clergy
- ☐ Laity

GMC Conference *

US: Trinity ▼

Your Church *

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CO-SIGNER NOTES:

1. Ensure the email addresses are correct. **Incorrect email addresses will result in the petition being ineligible for consideration.**
2. Co-signers **MUST** be members of the Global Methodist Church.
3. All co-signers will be contacted by the Petitions Secretary or their designee.

Co-Signers (10 names with valid email addresses) *

	First Name	Last Name	Email
1	John	Wesley	jwesley@globalmethoc
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6	Philip	Otterbein	potterbein@globalmetf
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☒ I have verified the co-signers email addresses for validity and accuracy.

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Petition

Petition Type *

- ☒ Book of Doctrines and Discipline
- ☐ Judicial Practice and Procedures
- ☐ Resolution

Paragraph Modification Type *

- ☐ Change existing ☒ Add new

BDD Sections *

Section 7 - Conferences

Petition Title *

Adding a Paragraph Just to Add a Paragraph

Rationale for Petition *

There are only eleven paragraphs in Section 7 of the Book of Doctrines and Discipline. We need to ensure that we have as much filler as possible, so we will add another paragraph.

Please provide information regarding your rationale for submitting this petition. This content is subject to editing for clarity. (750 characters or less)

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Enter Petition Text

Instructions (Click to close)



Petition Text *

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Paragraph

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ADD NEW Paragraph 707

¶707 - THE NEED FOR A LARGE RULE BOOK. The General Conference is required to add enough new paragraphs to the Book of Doctrines and Discipline so that the finished product is at least 700 pages when in its printed and bound final form. The Connectional Council is authorized to add filler as needed, should the General Conference Secretary notify the council if such action on their part is needed to fulfill the requirements of this paragraph.

Renumber current paragraph 707 and all subsequent paragraphs in section 7 to reflect the insertion of a new paragraph 707.

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Review Submission

Review *

☒ I have reviewed the previous pages and certify that the information is accurate

Your Signature



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Submission Date

12-15-2025



Date

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Thank You!

Your submission has been received.



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