



# 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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Valid Country and State Selected

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Country

**Submitter Type \***

Individual  
 Committee/Commission/Group  
 Annual Conference

**Submitter Membership Type \***

Clergy  
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**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) \*

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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

## Petition Title \*

An Appeal to Christian Perfection in Social Media Practices

## Rationale for Petition \*

Understanding that the world is our parish (to paraphrase John Wesley), one of the most important mission fields for Global Methodists to serve is in their online presence. This resolution provides a clarion call to those in the Global Methodist Church to prayerfully reflect on what our social media presence says about our love of God.

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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In a time where much tragic evil has been propagated through the online activity of citizens around the world, even in the life of the church, Global Methodists are called to remember the words of our founder, John Wesley, who famously declared, "The world is my parish." Understanding that communication around the world has changed dramatically since the days of Rev. Wesley, we must lean into understanding that what we think, say, and do in our social media presence does let others see a glimpse of our love of God through how we treat others.

To this end, Global Methodists are called to live lives that reflect our ongoing work from a Christian perspective as understood by the Wesleys, especially in a time where the smallest utterance can spread like wildfire around the globe. Global Methodists are also reminded that it is just as important to prayerfully reflect not only on what they are saying, but how it might be heard by those parties unknown to the content creator. We must be diligent in remembering that WHO is at the table is FAR more important than WHAT is on the table.

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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 

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Your submission has been received.



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