GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH
Great Lakes

BUDGET · FY 2026–27

PROPOSED
Conference Budget

Summary and line-item budget for FY 2025–26 and FY 2026–27.

TOTAL PROPOSED	$1,926,831 for FY 2026–27
ADOPTED	As PET-05, Annual Conference, June 2026
PRESENTED BY	Finance and Administration Committee

Summary of the Proposed Budget

	FY 2025–26 BUDGET	FY 2026–27 PROPOSED
PROJECTED REVENUE		
Connectional Funding Income	$1,425,000	$1,400,000
Conference Reserves Drawdown	–	$246,731
Annual Conference Sessions Income	$140,000	$125,000
Missional Partnerships Income	$130,400	$128,000
All Other Income	$49,600	$27,100
Total Projected Revenue	**$1,745,000**	**$1,926,831**
PROPOSED EXPENDITURES		
Employee Cost	$696,330	$795,631
Committees / Programs / Events / Gatherings	$584,270	$663,500
Financial Support for GMC Missions	$270,400	$278,200
Reimbursable Expenses	$144,000	$164,500
Emerging Ministry Fund	$50,000	$25,000
Projected Net Income	**$0**	**$0**

Line-Item Proposed Budget

Revenue

	FY 2025–26 BUDGET	FY 2026–27 PROPOSED	NOTES
Connectional Funding Income	$1,425,000	$1,400,000	
Conference Reserves Drawdown	–	$246,731	
Annual Conference Income	$140,000	$125,000	Note 3
Other Event Income	$20,000	$3,500	Note 4
Clergy Application Income	$18,000	$12,000	Note 2
Missional Partnerships Income (Churches & Individuals)	$130,400	$128,000	Note 1
Interest Income	$11,600	$11,600	Note 8

Expenses

	FY 2025–26 BUDGET	FY 2026–27 PROPOSED	NOTES
EMPLOYEE COST Includes the Conference Superintendent, Director of Operations/Treasurer, Director of Equipping, Administrative Assistant, Operations Coordinator/Bookkeeper, Data Specialist, part-time IT person, and part-time Cabinet Members. See Employee Detail tab.			
Full Time Salaries and Housing	$320,415	$338,254	
Part Time Salaries	$144,000	$151,200	Note 5
Hourly Wages	$100,959	$185,664	
Insurance	$72,921	$37,353	
Retirement	$34,406	$39,231	
Payroll Taxes	$12,629	$22,929	
Continuing Education	$11,000	$21,000	
Subtotal Employee Cost	**$696,330**	**$795,631**	
COMMITTEES / PROGRAMS / EVENTS / GATHERINGS			
Board of Ministry	$88,000	$55,000	Note 2
Church Multiplication / Church Planting	$55,000	$80,000	
Next GEN	$18,000	$15,000	
Disaster Response Team	$14,200	$10,000	Note 6
Discipleship Committee	$10,500	$10,000	

	FY 2025–26 BUDGET	FY 2026–27 PROPOSED	NOTES
Prayer Team	$3,000	$500	
Missions Team	$2,000	$53,000	
Conference Connectional Council	$1,000	$15,000	
Cabinet	$1,000	–	
Committee on Superintendency	$1,000	$1,000	
Finance & Admin Committee	$1,000	$18,000	
Nominations & Leadership	$1,000	$1,000	
Annual Conference Session	$215,000	$200,000	Note 3
Clergy Gathering and Other Events	$50,000	$40,000	Note 4
Training	$25,000	$45,000	
GMC General Conference Delegation Fund	$15,000	$30,000	Note 9
Clergy Moving Fund	–	$20,000	
Operational / Office / Tech Hardware / Software	$83,570	$70,000	Note 10
Subtotal Committees / Programs / Events	**$584,270**	**$663,500**	
FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR GMC MISSIONS (10 PERCENT)			
GLAC Financial Support for Ethiopian Nazrawiyan AC (ENAC)	$68,200	$68,200	
GLAC Financial Support for Oasis AC (OAC)	$40,000	$40,000	
Missional Support (Churches & Individuals) ENAC + OAC	$130,400	$128,000	Note 1
Clergy Mission Trip Support	$10,000	$10,000	
Disaster Relief Field Response	$10,000	$10,000	Note 6
Emergency International Support	$11,800	$10,000	
Missions Team	–	$12,000	
Subtotal GMC Support Outside Conference	**$270,400**	**$278,200**	
REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES			
Conference Superintendent	$50,000	$50,000	
Director of Operations / Treasurer	$6,000	$6,000	
Director of Equipping	$6,000	$8,000	
Operations Coordinator / Bookkeeper	–	$3,000	
Part-time Tech	–	$3,000	
Office Manager / Data Specialist	$2,000	$3,000	

	FY 2025–26 BUDGET	FY 2026–27 PROPOSED	NOTES
Administrative Assistant	–	$1,500	
Presiding Elders & Circuit Leaders	$80,000	$90,000	
Subtotal Reimbursable Expenses	**$144,000**	**$164,500**	
EMERGING MINISTRY FUND			
Emerging Ministry Fund	$50,000	$25,000	Note 7
Total Budgeted Expenses	**$1,745,000**	**$1,926,831**	
Net Income (Revenue Less Expenses)	**$0**	**$0**	

Notes

Note 2 Partially financed by income shown in the income section above.

Note 3 Partially financed by income shown in the income section above.

Note 4 Partially financed by income shown in the income section above.

Note 5 Included raise for Cabinet members from $600 per month to $630 per month.

Note 6 A portion of our ~10% “tithe” will go toward disaster relief.

Note 7 Only to be used by special permission of the Conference Connectional Council for unforeseen opportunities.

Note 8 Does not include interest earned in designated fund accounts (accrues to each fund).

Note 9 Annual budget item paid into a designated fund so accumulated amount covers GC expenses every 6 years.

Note 10 Includes Office Expenses, Computers, Copiers, Software, Office Space Leases, Insurance, Banking Fees, Third party services, etc.

ADOPTED AS PET-05 — ANNUAL CONFERENCE, JUNE 2026