

Requested Change to Global Partner Representation at Conference 2023

MC/23/55

Date of meeting	25-27 March 2023
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Action required	For approval
Resolutions	55/1. The Council receives the report. 55/2. The Council agrees that La Iglesia Evangelica Metodista en Bolivia and The United Church in the Solomon Islands each be invited to send a representative to be an Associate Member of the 2023 Conference.

Summary of content

Subject of aims	To invite two global Partner Churches to send representatives to MCB Conference 2023 in the light of two invited Partners not being in a position to send a representative
Main points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two Partner Churches are not in a position to send a representative to the 2023 Conference The Council is asked that two other Partners be issued an invitation in their place
Background context and relevant documents (with function)	The 2022 Conference approved the list of Partners to be invited to send representatives as Associate Members to the 2023 Conference, on the nomination of the Council Paper MC/22/58 Resolution 58/12.

1. On the nomination of the Council, the 2022 Conference agreed the list of Partner Churches to be invited to send a representative as Associate Members of Conference. However, two of the Partner Churches invited to send representatives have stated that they are not in a position to send any representation to the 2023 Conference. They are La Iglesia Metodista en Cuba and The United Church of Christ in Japan.
2. The Council is asked to approve two alternative Partner Churches to be invited to send a representative to the 2023 Conference MCB instead. The nominated Churches are from each of the regions in which the Partners stating that they are not sending a representative this year are located.
3. The request is that the Council approve the sending of an invitation to be an Associate Member of the 2023 Conference to La Iglesia Evangelica Metodista en Bolivia and The United Church in the Solomon Islands.

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