

8. Conference Arrangements

A. Future Conferences

The Methodist Council is required to print annually the plan for the locations of future meetings of the Conference. The venue is shown where known.

2017 Birmingham (22 – 29 June)
2018 *to be confirmed* (28 June – 5 July)
2019 Birmingham (27 June – 4 July)

*****RESOLUTION**

8/1. The Conference adopted the Report.

B. Associate Members

*****RESOLUTION**

8/2. The Conference invited the following Conferences, Churches, and Christian bodies to appoint associate members of the Conference in 2017:

The Church of England
The United Reformed Church
The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales
The Church of the Nazarene
The Council of Lutheran Churches
The Moravian Church

Europe

Igreja Evangelica Metodista Portuguesa
Union of Methodist and Waldensian Churches: Italy
United Methodist Church – Central and Southern Europe
United Methodist Church – Germany
United Methodist Church – Northern Europe and Eurasia

Africa

Methodist Church in Zimbabwe
Methodist Church Ghana
Methodist Church Sierra Leone
Free Methodist Church Rwanda
United Church of Zambia

Americas

Iglesia Metodista del Perú
Iglesia Metodista del Uruguay
Iglesia Metodista en Cuba
MCCA
Iglesia Metodista de México

Asia-Pacific

The Methodist Church, Sri Lanka
United Church in PNG
Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga
The Korean Methodist Church
The Uniting Church in Australia

C. Presbyteral Session

1. The Presbyteral Session defines by resolution who may normally be present at closed sessions. Attendance when it sits as a court of appeal is governed by Standing Order 024A(4).
2. For the sake of accuracy it is desirable that the Presbyteral Session delegates to the Representative Session the responsibility for adopting the Record of its Sessions, thus allowing time for members to check its details.

*****RESOLUTIONS**

- 8/3. (Presbyteral Session) The Presbyteral Session of the Conference resolved that whenever it goes into closed session its membership, except when Standing Order 1145(7) applies, or the Conference otherwise resolves, shall be confined to presbyters who are entitled to vote on the business under consideration, with the Conference Officer for Legal and Constitutional Practice and Secretary of the Faith and Order Committee in attendance as appropriate.**
- 8/4. (Presbyteral Session) The Presbyteral Session of the Conference delegated to the Representative Session the adoption of the printed and written portions of the Daily Record for both days of its meeting.**
- 8/5. (Presbyteral Session) The Conference directed that the total time available for the Presbyteral Session of the Conference of 2017 shall not be less than eight hours.**
- 8/6. (Presbyteral Session) The Conference invited the Vice-President of the Conference of 2016/17 to attend the Presbyteral Session of the 2017 Conference, apart from any closed sessions, with the right to speak but without a vote.**
- 8/7. In accordance with Standing Order 105(1A) the Conference directed that the following Districts shall each elect at least one deacon to be a member of the Conference of 2017:**
Wales Synod, Birmingham, East Anglia, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester and Stockport, Newcastle, Lancashire, Northampton, Southampton, York and Hull, London
Reserves: Cumbria, Darlington