

Budget 2025

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2024 Annual Session May 30 - June 1 Grand Traverse Resort Acme MI

SUBJECT: Michigan Conference Budget Recommendation for 2025 WITH GENERAL CONFERENCE APPORTIONMENTS

MOTION: The Council on Finance & Administration recommends the following:

1. The amount of \$8,493,144 shall be the Conference budget for 2025, which is a decrease of 8.4% from prior year.

2. The amount of \$3,100,000 shall be the Benefits budget for 2025, which is a decrease of 8.8% from prior year.

3. Salaries include a 2% increase.

2025 CONFERENCE BUDGET

	2024 - Michigan Budget		2025 - Michigan Budget		Increase/ (Decrease)		% Change to 2025
<u>A) Clergy Support Budget</u>							
1) District Superintendents	\$	1,672,736	\$	1,618,025	\$	(54,711)	-3.3%
2) Episcopal Fund	\$	444,451	\$	546,727	\$	102,276	23.0%
3) Ministerial Education Fund	\$	506,905	\$	383,658	\$	(123,247)	-24.3%
4) Episcopal Residence Committee	\$	12,885	\$	16,500	\$	3,615	28.1%
5) Equitable Compensation Committee	\$	95,000	\$	90,000	\$	(5,000)	-5.3%
6) Clergy Moving Expense Fund	\$	400,000	\$	300,000	\$	(100,000)	-25.0%
Total Clergy Support Budget	\$	3,131,977	\$	2,954,910	\$	(177,067)	-5.7%
B) Administration Budget							
1) Council on Finance & Administration	\$	575	\$	1,200	\$	625	108.7%
2) Treasurer's Office	\$	733,178	\$	701,524	\$	(31,654)	-4.3%
3) Jurisdictional Conference	\$	32,000	\$	29,600	\$	(2,400)	-7.5%
4) General Conference Delegation	\$	18,400	\$	24,000	\$	5,600	30.4%
5) General Church Administration	\$	178,209	\$	187,457	\$	9,248	5.2%
6) Area Administration	\$	424,051	\$	509,839	\$	85,788	20.2%
7) Operations	\$	441,220	\$	263,525	\$	(177,695)	-40.3%
8) Conference Secretary	\$	575	\$	575	\$	-	0.0%
9) Conference Trustees	\$	1,670	\$	1,670	\$	-	0.0%
10) Committee on Archives & History	\$	20,000	\$	20,000	\$	-	0.0%
11) Committee on Human Resources	\$	5,000	\$	4,650	\$	(350)	-7.0%
12) Legal Fees	<u>\$</u>	55,000	\$	50,000	\$	(5,000)	-9.1%
Total Administration Budget	\$	1,909,878	\$	1,794,040	\$	(115,838)	-6.1%
C) Conference Ministry & Mission Budget							
1) Agencies Relating to Christ-Centered Mission a	and Mi	nistry					
a) Commission on Annual Conference Session	\$	100,000	\$	100,000	\$	-	0.0%
b) Commission on Communications	\$	1,000	\$	-	\$	(1,000)	-100.0%
c) Committee on Journal	\$	6,160	\$	3,850	\$	(2,310)	-37.5%
d) Board of Justice	\$	25,750	\$	22,950	\$	(2,800)	-10.9%
e) Board of Global Ministries	\$	62,000	\$	62,000	\$	-	0.0%
f) Connectional Ministries	\$	-	\$	99,600	\$	99,600	
2) Agencies Relating to Bold and Effective Leade	rs						
a) Conference Leadership Council	\$	50,000	\$	1,500	\$	(48,500)	-97.0%
b) Board of Ordained Ministry	\$	64,000	\$	61,700	\$	(2,300)	-3.6%
c) Committee on Nominations	\$	575	\$	1,200	\$	625	108.7%
d) Committee on the Episcopacy	\$	575	\$	575	\$	-	0.0%
e) Protection Policy	\$	575	\$	1,000	\$	425	73.9%

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3) Agencies Relating to Vibrant Congregations							
a) Board of Laity	\$	5,000	\$	6,000	\$	1,000	20.0%
b) Board of Young People's Ministry	\$	260,000	\$	262,500	\$	2,500	1.0%
c) Board of Congregational Life	\$	391,000	\$	330,000	\$	(61,000)	-15.6%
d) Committee on Hispanic/Latino Ministry	\$	18,000	\$	18,000	\$	-	0.0%
e) Committee on Asian-American Ministry	\$	12,000	\$	10,000	\$	(2,000)	-16.7%
f) Committee on Native American Ministry	\$	90,000	\$	85,000	\$	(5,000)	-5.6%
g) Committee on African-American Ministry	\$	44,000	\$	44,000	\$	-	0.0%
4) Administrative Expenses/Compensation	\$	1,212,300	\$	1,232,387	\$	20,087	1.7%
5) Communications	\$	100,000	\$	89,600			
6) World Service Fund	\$	1,500,812	\$	1,109,168	\$	(391,644)	-26.1%
Total Conference Benevolences Budget	\$	3,943,747	\$	3,541,030	\$	(402,717)	-10.2%
D) Other Apportioned Causes							
1) Black College Fund	\$	202,200	\$	153,038	\$	(49,162)	-24.3%
2) Africa University Fund	\$	45,252	\$	34,249	\$	(11,003)	-24.3%
3) Interdenominational Fund	\$	39,644	\$	15,877	\$	(23,767)	-60.0%
Total Other Apportioned Causes	\$	287,096	\$	203,164	\$	(83,932)	-29.2%
Total Conference Common Budget	\$	9,272,698	\$	8,493,144	\$	(779,554)	-8.4%
E) Benefits Billings Budget							
1) Pension/Welfare Payments to Wespath	\$	3,230,000	\$	2,930,000	\$	(300,000)	-9.3%
2) Benefits Office	\$	170,000	\$	170,000	\$	-	0.0%
Total Benefits Billings Budget	\$	3,400,000	\$	3,100,000	\$	(300,000)	-8.8%