

Global Relationships Strategic Oversight Sub-Committee

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Resolutions	77/1. The Council receives the report. 77/2. The Council approves the lists of partner churches as set out in the report. 77/3. The Council approves the list of partner organisations as set out in the report (Appendix 2). 77/4. The Council adopts the GRSOSC's recommendations of what should be reported to the World Council of Churches (WCC) as described in paragraphs 4.4.1 and 4.4.2 of the report.

Summary of Content

Subject and Aims	To provide the Council with an update on the work of the GRSOSC and request direction from the Council regarding arrangements with the World Council of Churches.
Main Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background to and Terms of Reference for GRSOSC • Specific activities and programmes undertaken since January 2016 • Key partnerships • Staffing and financial resources
Background Context and Relevant Documents (with function)	MC/16/8 - Partnership, Focus and Evolution - Strategic vision for global relationships for Methodist Church in Britain (MCB), including the Terms of Reference for the GRSOSC. SRC/16/31 – First report of the GRSOSC to the Strategy and Resources Committee (SRC).
Consultations	All We Can

Summary of Impact

Financial	See paragraph 5.2
Personnel	See paragraph 5.1
External (eg ecumenical)	Outlines MCB engagement with a range of global ecumenical partners

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Methodist Council at its meeting in January 2016 approved the report called “Partnership, Focus and Evolution” (MC/16/8) which was about the future global relationships in mission. It had a strategic vision “that the Methodist Church in Britain will be a distinctive and highly effective global participant in mission, by means of true Partnership with sister Churches around the world, a Focus on the places and programmes where our participation can make a real difference locally and globally, and Evolution that encourages new initiatives while maintaining the best of what has gone on before.” This policy statement was part of a strategy of expressing One Mission through global relationships. It was to allow “new, flexible, proactive and innovative ways of working and cooperating with others and give consideration to what can be done differently, given up or taken up.”
- 1.2 The Methodist Council agreed that a Global Relationships Strategic Oversight Sub-Committee (GRSOSC) should be established as a sub-committee of the Strategy and Resources Committee (SRC) to “oversee the implementation and monitoring of this strategy and its future evolution... Responsibility for policy and overall strategy will remain with the Methodist Council, exercised through the SRC, but the Global Relationships Strategic Oversight Sub-Committee will provide more detailed scrutiny and monitoring of the execution of the strategy.”
- 1.3 This is the first report of the GRSOSC to the Council through the SRC of the work done since it was established and it is hoped that every year it will report to the SRC at its September meeting to be held accountable for the tasks and responsibilities given to it.

2. Global Relationships Strategic Oversight Sub-Committee (GRSOSC)

- 2.1 The GRSOSC has met twice since it was formed in January 2016 (on 3 March and 23 August 2016). It consists of the following:

Members: Dr Daleep S Mukarji (Chair), the Revd Timothy A Swindell (Connexional Treasurer), the Revd Dr Andrew D Wood (SRC member), Simeon Mitchell (All We Can), the Revd Catherine Gale, and Ms Jenny Borden.

Ex-officio (participant observers): the Revd Neil A Stubbens (Connexional Ecumenical Officer), Mr David J Friswell (World Church Relationships Team Leader), Mr Doug Swanney (Connexional Secretary), Mr Martin Ashford (Head of Mission and Advocacy) and Mr Luke D Curran (then Chair of World Methodist Committee, Britain).

- 2.2 Terms of Reference of the GRSOSC:

Paragraph 7.2 of report MC/16/8 stated that “The task of the GRSOSC is to advise and support the Connexional Secretary and the Connexional Team to oversee the implementation, development and monitoring of the strategy, particularly through the annual planning, budget and review process of the Church. The Sub-Committee will be responsible for:

- Development of new programmes and the balance between these and existing work;
- Planning and monitoring of activities, budgets and programmes covered in relation to the aims set out in the strategy;
- Overseeing the list of Partner Churches and Organisations with which the Methodist Church works and supporting the regular refreshing of Partner Relationship Reviews;

- Evaluating the implications of continuing dialogue with All We Can (AWC) and other worldwide ecumenical partners (as specified in the report) and developing how the Methodist Church related to and works with these bodies now and in the future.”

3. Specific activities and programmes undertaken since January 2016

3.1 Finalising the lists of Partner Churches and Organisations and the Outcome of the Partner Relationships Review by Country:

3.1.1 A formal list of Partner Churches of the Methodist Church in Britain was agreed in relationship to the categories used by the Church:

- (a) Irish Conference as in clause 43 of the Deed of Union;
- (b) Other Autonomous Methodist Churches as set out in clause 44 of the Deed of Union;
- (c) Other Methodist Churches;
- (d) United/Uniting Churches and the China Christian Council.

The China Christian Council is a special category - a member church of the World Council of Churches (WCC), and (because of the political scene in China) is also considered a full church. It is these churches on the list that will in future get special attention in the wider global relationships for mission strategy of the Methodist Church in Britain. Under certain circumstances and under agreed criteria they may be considered for grants too. This list of Partner Churches is in Appendix 1 and it is recommended this be approved.

3.1.2 A formal list of Partner Organisations was discussed and agreed. Partner Organisations are defined in the original policy document (MC/16/8 at paragraph 3.3). It will be these organisations that can be considered for grants and partnerships in the future. This list of Partner Organisations is in Appendix 2 and it is recommended that this be approved.

3.1.3 The Outcome of the Partner Relationship Review (PRR) was conducted under overall guidance of the SRC to assign a priority to each Partner Church or Organisation. This used a matrix of both quantitative and qualitative information to place a country or Church on a certain score. The outcome was to guide who would get priority for grants by country. This list is in Appendix 3 and it is recommended that this be approved.

3.1.4 The GRSOSC formed a sub-group to regularly review the lists and to consider if and when new partners can come on or old ones be taken off. The challenge is, where possible, to take a church off funding through annual grants when it is able to support its routine work and mission activities. Changes to the lists will be shared with the SRC and Methodist Council as is appropriate and for approval.

3.2 Programmes:

3.2.1 People to People Programme Development:

The aims of all the people related programmes are to:

- Enable members of the Methodist Church in Britain (MCB) and those in Partner Churches, who are motivated to share God’s love to engage in a living celebration of the worldwide Methodist family;
- Equip members of the MCB to renew their confidence in God’s presence and action in the world and in the Church.

3.2.2 Current mission personnel programmes are as follows:

- Mission Partners sent from Britain - a review is planned of this programme and will be undertaken over the next year. A sub-group of the GRSOSC is overseeing this;

- Encounter Worldwide (short placements for volunteers of all ages);
- Special Skills programme (enabling those with specialist skills and/or experience to assist overseas partners at times of unexpected need for up to a few months);
- Ministers on sabbatical (ministers are encouraged and assisted to offer time in theological colleges and others areas of work of Partner Churches);
- Ministerial Exchange Programme (this is a long-running programme organised by the World Methodist Council which enables ministers from the USA United Methodist Church to exchange with British ministers for a six to eight-week period. A review of this programme by the WMC will take place in 2017);
- Besides the above existing personnel programmes there are plans for new ones too. They are in the development stage and will cover:
 - (i) Mission practitioners from a Partner Church to spend up to 3 months in a circuit/district engaging with the church here in Britain;
 - (ii) Student ministers who would be enabled to get a greater understanding of Methodism in another cultural context;
 - (iii) Group visits from people in Britain to partners overseas; and
 - (iv) Mission interns - focussed on young people who want mission experience.

3.2.3 The GRSOSC agreed to support the ongoing programmes in this area with some feedback and comments for the future. Amongst the new programmes suggested, the GRSOSC agreed that the Mission Practitioners and Group Visits be started in this connexional year as a priority. The other new initiatives could be delayed. GRSOSC also requested one of its members to accompany and support the WCR Team in the ongoing planning, development and review of all People to People Programmes to ensure they fulfilled the expectations of the strategic policy, and benefitted both the Church in Britain and those overseas in appropriate ways.

3.2.4 Consultations:

There is a commitment for regular consultations with Partner Churches and the worldwide Methodist family so as to learn from each other and to shape future plans for global mission relationships. The WCR Team is planning thematic and regional consultations to take place each year either in Britain or overseas. A specific consultation looking into persecuted religious minorities is planned for the spring of 2017 in Britain. The GRSOSC requested at least one formal consultation a year to be planned and implemented.

3.2.5 Communications and Mission Education:

This is a commitment for the whole Church and will involve staff, Circuits and Districts, Cliff College and the Queens Foundation and others in the wider Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network. It is important that global dimensions of mission education are not lost. More work needs to be done to review all existing marketing/education materials used for mission education, and this is being taken up. The Team will also explore how to resource the Districts in this area. Mission education should lead to support of some of the fundraising plans for global mission and the World Mission Fund (WMF). The GRSOSC supported these proposed plans but noted that the whole Church needs to consider how it educates, promotes and supports the development of One Mission. It was informed that work is underway to consider connexional plans for wider mission education.

3.2.6 Grants:

Funding mission work overseas is an integral part of the strategy for the future within new priorities agreed in the policy document. The Connexional Grants Committee (CGC) of the Methodist Council which is responsible for all grants of the Church, is taking the lead on the follow up of this aspect with the help of its World Church Sub-Committee and the Stream members who do the actual approval of grants. There have been some changes that have led to one application format for all grants, and one time in the year (November) when specific grants (Annual, SALT and

NMAs) are considered together and approved. The lists referred to above will influence who can apply for grants in this and future connexional years. It was agreed there is need for good communications and the World Church Relationships (WCR) Team will lead on this. The CGC will give a separate report to the Council.

4. Working with others in partnership

4.1. The new strategy also offers a chance to work constructively with and nurture key partnerships with related ecumenical and Methodist organisations. This process has been going on for some time and needs a focus so that these relationships can contribute towards the delivery of the strategy. This could lead to new forms of cooperation and collaboration for greater unity in mission across all players, and would benefit partner churches and the communities in which they are located.

4.2. Working with All We Can (AWC):

A paper was shared as a discussion document about the relations and the possible future areas of cooperation between AWC and the WCR Team of the MCB. Existing work is going on about the more formal and institutional structural relations but that is separate. GRSOSC members felt it was necessary to clarify to the church members the complementary roles of AWC and MCB. There are areas of overlap and possible collaboration and this needed further work. The Connexional Secretary agreed to take this area forward and discuss it with others too.

4.3. Working with United Methodist Church (UMC) and its General Board for Global Mission:

The Connexional Secretary and others reported on what is going in the UMC today and how the MCB may explore areas of cooperation. Focus could be given to working in the European context (European Methodist Council), and the celebrations around the 50th year of the concordat between the MCB and the UMC, by which time future areas of specific cooperation may be identified and developed. GRSOSC members felt that it was important to give time to developing these relations and to avoid areas of competition and misunderstanding in certain parts of the world. It was also vital to recognise that the UMC was beyond North America. It was agreed to invite the General Secretary of General Board of Global Ministries to a future meeting of the GRSOSC.

4.4. Working with the World Council of Churches (WCC):

4.4.1. A paper prepared by the Connexional Ecumenical Officer was shared and discussed with the Chair of GRSOSC on future funding of the WCC. The contents of this document were shared with GRSOSC members. It had been noticed that the present membership contribution to the WCC was very generous and this was due to the fact that old details were being used for the membership of the MCB in the formula used by WCC to calculate the membership contribution. If the WCC formula for paying membership contributions was used today the membership contribution would be much less, as membership of the MCB has fallen. The GRSOSC agreed that the MCB should report to the WCC that it is fully committed to it and that future membership contributions will be based on the formula used by the WCC and on the current lower membership of the MCB. It was also agreed that MCB should inform the WCC it is unable to increase its annual membership contribution to the WCC by the suggested 2%-5%.

4.4.2. It was also agreed that any additional contributions to programmes or activities of WCC would be considered through the normal grants procedures. This included any support to the Commission on World Mission and Evangelism in the future.

4.5. Relations with the Methodist Church of Ireland:

The SRC had supported the idea to invite a member of the Methodist Church of Ireland (MCI) to join the GRSOSC. The Connexional Secretary was asked to have follow up conversations with the MCI and then to invite a suitable person from that Church.

4.6. Cooperation with European Methodism:

It was important for British Methodism to play its part in the growth and development of the Methodist community across Europe. A review is being undertaken of the situation and the possible role for the MCB in supporting the work of the European Methodist Council and the partner churches in Europe.

4.7. Methodist Church in Britain and the World Methodist Council (WMC):

It is expected to discuss future ways of working with and support for the WMC after the Houston World Methodist Conference, and the Connexional Secretary will give a report to GRSOSC on this in the future. Luke Curran will not continue as a participant observer on the sub-committee and the future arrangement for links with WMC will be taken later.

5. Resources

5.1. Staff:

All the work being undertaken in this report including the ongoing regular work of the WCR Team will generally be carried out by the present staff. The GRSOSC has formed certain sub-groups to work on specific follow up tasks and to support the staff. Extra capacity, if needed, will be considered within the Connexional Team procedures.

5.2. Finances:

The budget summaries for the World Church Relationships for 2016/17 and 2017/18 were shared with the GRSOSC as they have been approved by SRC and Methodist Council. These budgets are to be seen in the context of the overall plan to reduce the balance on the WMF to an agreed reserve level as set out in the strategy policy paper MC/16/8. It is to be noted that a decision was taken by the CGC to change the timing of the process of awarding NMA grants, and as a result now there will be no NMA grants approved in this connexional year. This would mean that there is an unallocated amount of £660,000 in the approved budget for this connexional year only. This could be used to fund some of the new and innovative activities planned to get them started. The GRSOSC will consider this matter in the future whilst noting that the available reserves will decrease due to legal costs being met from the Fund.

6. Summary

7.1. This report to the Council through the SRC shows some of the breadth and potential for the Methodist Church in global relationships for mission. In keeping with the vision it sets out new possibilities to make a significant contribution by MCB in the world wide arena. Its priority and focus is partnering with sister churches and working with them to enhance their capacity, build their leadership and support them in their mission and service. It is also hoped to grow support for global dimensions of one mission in the membership of the MCB through a variety of exchange and educational activities. The GRSOSC has now been established and will, on behalf of the SRC, the Methodist Council and the whole Church oversee the implementation, development and

monitoring of the strategy set out by the Council in January 2016 (MC/16/8). In this it will work with others for coherence and cooperation so as to make a difference where possible.

Partner Churches of the Methodist Church in Britain 2016/17

IC	Methodist Church in Ireland	E
OA	Eglise Methodiste du Togo	AF
OA	Eglise Protestante Methodiste du Benin	AF
OA	Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga	AP
OA	Iglesia Methodista del Uruquay	AC
OA	Igreja Evangelica Metodista Portuguesa	E
OA	The Methodist Church in the Caribbean and the Americas	AC
OA	The Methodist Church of Southern Africa	AF
OA	Methodist Church in Ghana	AF
OA	Methodist Church in Brazil	AC
OA	Methodist Church in Fiji	AP
OA	Methodist Church in Samoa	AP
OA	Methodist Church in Zimbabwe	AF
OA	Methodist Church Kenya	AF
OA	Methodist Church Nigeria	AF
OA	Methodist Church Sierra Leone	AF
OA	Methodist Church The Gambia	AF
OA	The Korean Methodist Church	AP
OA	The Methodist Church in Sri Lanka	AP
OA	The Methodist Church in New Zealand	AP
OA	The Methodist Church Hong Kong	AP
OA	The Methodist Church Upper Myanmar	AP
OA	The United Methodist Church	Global
O	Eglise Methodiste Unie de Cote d'Ivoire	AF
O	Eglise Protestante Unie de Belgique	E
O	Eglise Protestante Unie de France	E
O	Free Methodist Church Rwanda	AF
O	Gereja Methodist Indonesia	AP
O	Iglesia Evangelica Dominicana	AC
O	Iglesia Evangelica Espanola	E
O	Iglesia Evangelica Metodista de Argentina	AC
O	Iglesia Evangelica Metodista de Nicaragua	AC
O	Iglesia Evangelica Metodista de Panama	AC
O	Iglesia Evangelica Metodista En El Salvador	AC
O	Iglesia Evangelica Metodista Unida del Ecuador	AC
O	Iglesia Evangelica Naional Metodista Primitiva de Guatemala	AC
O	Iglesia Metodista de Chile	AC
O	Iglesia Metodista de Colombia	AC
O	Iglesia Metodista de Guinea Ecuatorial	AF
O	Iglesia Metodista de Mexico	AC
O	Iglesia Metodista de Puerto Rico	AC
O	Iglesia Metodista del Peru	AC
O	Iglesia Metodista en Cuba	AC
O	Iglesia Evangelica Metodista en Bolivia	AC
O	Methodist Christian Community of Venezuela	AC
O	Presbyterian Church in Cameroon	AF
O	The Methodist Church in Malaysia	AP
O	The Methodist Church in Singapore	AC

O	Union of Methodist and Waldensian Churches: Italy	E
U	Church of North India	AP
U	Church of Pakistan	AP
U	Church of South India	AP
U	The Church of Bangladesh	AP
U	The United Church in the Solomon Islands	AP
U	The United Church of Christ in Japan	AP
U	The Uniting Church in Australia	AP
U	United Church in Papua New Guinea	AP
U	United Church of Canada	AC
U	United Church of Zambia	AF
U	China Christian Council	AP

Notes

OA	Other Autonomous Methodist Churches (clause 44: Deed of Union)
O	Other Methodist Churches
U	United / Uniting Churches
IC	Irish Conference (clause 43: Deed of Union)
AC	Americas and Caribbean
AF	Africa
AP	Asia and Pacific
E	Europe

Partner Organisations of the Methodist Church in Britain for 2016/17

Region	Organisation	Notes
AC	CEPALC	The Social Ecumenical Centre for Media in Latin America promoting values of peace and justice
AC	CIEMAL	Unites Methodist Churches in Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Uruguay and Venezuela.
AC	CREAS	CentroRegional Ecumenico de Asesoria y Servicio
AC	FATEO	Methodist University of Sao Paulo - Brazil
AC	ISEAT	Union of the Evangelical School of Theology and the Lutheran School of Theology currently representing nine denominations
AC	ISEDET	Higher Education institute of Theology for the Andean Region in Bolivia
AC	UBL	Bible University of Latin America - ecumenical educational institute
AC	UTCWI	A theological educational institution for Caribbean theologians
AC	Amipastor **	Community support in the remote Peru Andean region, Peru
AC	Caribbean Conference of Churches **	Ecumenical body supporting churches across the Caribbean
AF	Africa Methodist Council	The African branch of the World Methodist Council
AF	Faculty of Protestant Theology/Yaounde	Protestant University in Cameroon training students mostly from Francophone Central Africa
AF	Kenya Methodist University	(KeMU) University founded by the Methodist Church in Kenya.
AF	Matthew Rusike Children's Home	Child care centre for orphans and referrals from the Methodist Church Zimbabwe Social Work Department
AF	Methodist Development n Relief Agency * (MeDRA)	MC Zimbabwe's relief and development agency aims to eliminate poverty and injustice through interventions that bear witness to God's love
AF	PROCMURA	PROCMURA promotes peaceful coexistence between Christian and Muslim communities
AF	TEE/ Zambia	Theological Education by Extension in Zambia (TEEZ) is an ecumenical program of 9 Churches

AF	TEEC/ Southern Africa	Serves five countries in Southern Africa namely Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, Swaziland and South Africa.
AF	UCZTC	UNITED CHURCH OF ZAMBIA THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
AF	UPAO	Methodist University in Benin training students mostly from Francophone West Africa
AF	Zonkwa Methodist Theological College	Delivering high quality theological education in Northern Nigeria
AF	All Africa Council of Churches	The continental ecumenical body comprising of 173 members
AP	Amity Foundation	Amity Foundation, an independent Chinese social development organization
AP	Asia Women's Resource Centre	A centre enabling theological study, reflection and articulation for women in Asia
AP	Bishop's College, Kolkata	Theological College, Kolkata, North India
AP	CLASS PAKISTAN	Centre For Legal Aid Assistance & Settlement - Interdenominational
AP	CSC, Ralwalpindi	Ecumenical centre for dialogue, social change, human and minority rights, peace building and Interfaith Harmony.
AP	EISD, Colombo	Study Centre for Religion and Society, is devoted to the study and interpretation of religious and social movements of people in Sri Lanka
AP	HMI, Hyderabad	Henry Martin Institute - Promoting religious, cultural and linguistic pluralism
AP	Middle East Council of Churches	Contains four "families" of Christian Churches in the Middle East, the Eastern Orthodox Churches, the Oriental Orthodox Churches, the Protestant Churches and the Roman Catholics.
AP	Middle East Council of Churches-EAPPI	A World Council of Churches (WCC) initiative to accompany Palestinians and Israelis in their nonviolent actions and concerted advocacy efforts to end the occupation
AP	Myanmar Council of Churches	Founded in 1949 as Burma Christian Council, which became Burma Council of Churches in 1972 and was renamed Myanmar Council of Churches in 1989
AP	National Christian Council of Sri Lanka	The work of the council involves post war reconstruction and reconciliation, support for vulnerable women and children, and developing trust across ethnic and religious divide
AP	Pacific Conference of Churches	Membership open to national councils of churches in an ecumenical spirit welcoming, the promotion of justice, peace and the integrity of creation and the respect of equality between men and women
AP	Pacific Theological College (inc TEE)	The Pacific Theological College located in Fiji offering programmes for all those across the Pacific islands

AP	Seghe Theological Seminary	Main training institution for United Church Solomon Islands.
AP	Serampore College *	Theological Training College
AP	SPATS	South Pacific Association of Theological Schools is a regional ecumenical organization in Oceania and is the sole accrediting body for Theological Schools and Colleges in the South Pacific
AP	South Asian Christian Youth Network *	Training and Equipping key young adult leaders and emerging leaders from partner churches in South Asia
AP	St Thomas' Theological College	Theological College of the Church of Pakistan
AP	Tahan Theological Seminary	The Methodist college at Tahan accepts student with its theological studies are supported in part by the Methodist College in Mandalay
AP	Tamil Nadu Arulagam Programme *	Women's refuge and HIV Hospice
AP	Theological College of Lanka	Federation of the Anglican Church, Methodist Church, Baptist Church and Presbyterian Church in Sri Lanka
AP	Trinity Theological College *	Balanced and holistic theological training to equip men and women for Christian ministry offered in both English and Chinese (Mandarin), bursaries for poorer students from other Partner Churches - Singapore
AP	Women Development & Service Program	Raiwind Diocese, Church of Pakistan - supporting women's work among poor, marginalised and abused.
AP	Women's Synodical Church of Pakistan	Women's Synodical is a strong and supportive arm of the Church of Pakistan
E	Ecumenical Forum of European Christian Women	An interdenominational grouping of women across Europe exploring spirituality, peace and advocacy issues
E	European Methodist Council	Brings together Methodism across Europe and includes the Fund for Mission in Europe
E	Methodist e-Academy	Serves e-learning within Methodist churches across Europe
E	Forum 18	Human rights organisation specialising in religious freedom
E	WSCF *	Ecumenical student work focusing on social justice

* Current funded partner organisations which will be funded for only a further two years

** Current funded partner organisations requiring further consultation period before decision is made of future funding

Partnership Relationship Review (PRR)

For use with Annual, SALT and NMA Grant applications from Partner Churches

Country	PC Region	PRR Group
Myanmar, Burma	AP	Group A
Guatemala	AC	
Equatorial Guinea	AF	
Uganda	AF	
El Salvador	AC	
Pakistan	AP	
Sri Lanka	AP	
Gambia	AF	
Tanzania	AF	Group B
Papua New Guinea	AP	
Bangladesh	AP	
Nicaragua	AC	
Zimbabwe	AF	
Colombia	AC	
Ecuador	AC	
Sierra Leone	AF	
Solomon Islands	AP	Group C
Togo	AF	
Benin	AF	
Portugal	E	
Mozambique	AF	
Argentina	AC	
Lesotho	AF	
Italy	E	
Rwanda	AF	Group D
Indonesia	AP	
India	AP	
Chile	AC	
Uruguay	AC	
Namibia	AF	
Kenya	AF	
Bolivia	AC	
Zambia	AF	Group E
Peru	AC	
Cuba	AC	
Botswana	AF	
Swaziland	AF	
PROPOSED CUT OFF LINE FOR AG		
Cameroon	AF	
Ghana	AF	

Nigeria	AF	Group F
Fiji	AP	
South Africa	AF	
Samoa	AP	
Malaysia	AP	
China * (Please see Partner Church List for China Christian Council)	AP	
Tonga	AP	Group G
Brazil	AC	
Honduras: UMC Mission	AC	
Spain	E	
Puerto Rico	AC	
Dominicana	AC	
México	AC	
UMC Europe	E	
Venezuela	AC	
Panama (IEM)	AC	
PROPOSED CUT OFF LINE FOR NMAs and SALT		
Belgium	E	Group G
France	E	
Japan	AP	
New Zealand	AP	
Singapore	AP	
Australia	AP	
Hong Kong	AP	Group H
Korea	AP	
UMC - Africa (5 Episcopal Areas)	AF	
UMC - Congo (4 Episcopal Areas)	AF	
UMC - West Africa (4 Episcopal Areas)	AF	
UMC - Philippines (3 Episcopal Areas)	AP	
UMC - USA (5 Geographic Jurisdictions)	AC	

Note: annual grants will be given to the following Partner Churches for two years more: Methodist Church of Ghana, Methodist Church of Nigeria. Presbyterian Church of Cameroon.

***RESOLUTIONS

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