

Secretary of the General Conference
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Post 2020/2024 General Conference Delegate Numbers

The office of the Secretary of the General Conference offers the following post-General Conference update on the delegate seats filled at the [2020/2024 General Conference](#) held April 23-May 3, 2024, at the Charlotte Convention Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

With the 2020/2024 meeting concluded, after comparing the initial information to the attendance and travel records, the reporting of accurate and up-to-date data is now available. The data is in line with details shared in various reports from the chairpersons of the Commission on the General Conference and the Committee on Credentials. These reports, incorporating information from the General Conference office, showed at least four primary factors affected the travel of delegates:

1. All information submitted must comply with Constitutional requirements to be accepted and processed. The lack of timely and accurate reporting from some annual and central conference secretaries presented obstacles.
2. New and necessary identity verification procedures were implemented by the Commission on the General Conference at every step which impacted the timing and workflow of the process.
 - These safeguards proved successful as there were zero reports of instances of fraud or theft of identity related to delegates.
3. The Commission discovered outside parties attempting to manipulate the system by issuing fraudulent letters of invitation to be used in the visa application process. This resulted in additional screenings to ensure validity of paperwork.
4. The visa application timelines and policies of the United States Department of State were heeded and the decisions and processes were/are outside of the control of the church.

Ensuring representation of the 862 delegates at the 2020/2024 General Conference was a priority for the Commission. Special attention was provided to navigate visa-related processes for the 380 voting delegates from Africa, the Philippines and Europe/Eurasia. After ensuring upholding of the constitution and validity and accuracy of paperwork, 78% of General Conference delegates from outside the U.S. were able to travel to the gathering. This includes a 73% participation rate for delegates from annual conferences in the central conferences in Africa.

The following information provides a detailed view of the delegate representation at the event.

Understanding the data:

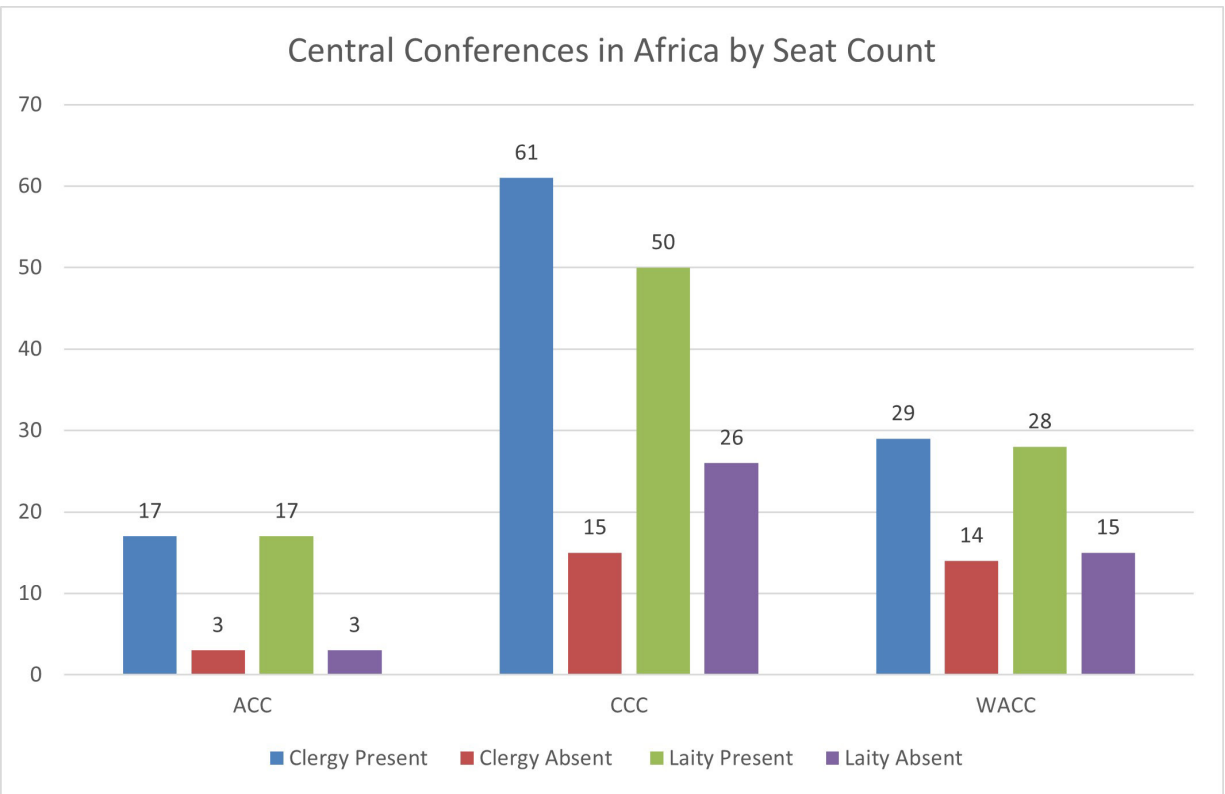
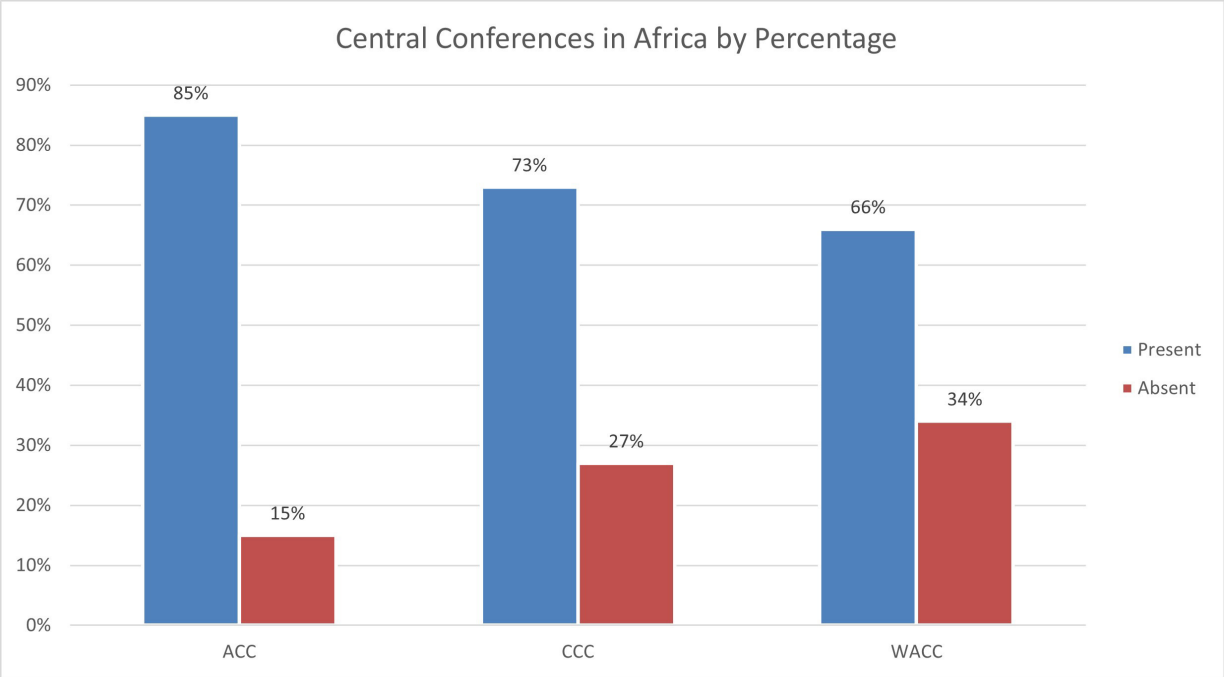
- Present - indicates the seat was filled by a primary General Conference delegate or an appropriately elected and certified reserve delegate who was credentialed and seated in order of election.
- Absent - indicates the primary delegate was unable to attend and there was no appropriately elected and certified reserve delegate available from that particular annual conference.

Annual Conferences in the Central Conferences in Africa

CC*	Annual Conference	Seats Alloted	Clergy Present	Laity Present	Clergy Absent	Laity Absent
ACC	Burundi	6	3	3	0	0
ACC	East Zimbabwe	4	2	2	0	0
ACC	Eastern Angola	2	1	1	0	0
ACC	Kenya-Ethiopia	2	1	1	0	0
ACC	Malawi Provisional**	2	0	0	1	1
ACC	Mozambique North	2	1	1	0	0
ACC	Mozambique South	4	2	2	0	0
ACC	Rwanda Provisional	2	0	0	1	1
ACC	South Africa Provisional	2	0	1	1	0
ACC	Uganda-South Sudan	2	1	1	0	0
ACC	West Zimbabwe	4	2	2	0	0
ACC	Western Angola	8	4	3	0	1
	Subtotal	40	17	17	3	3
			85%		15%	
CCC	Central Congo	6	1	3	2	0
CCC	East Congo	16	7	7	1	1
CCC	Kasai	2	1	1	0	0
CCC	Kivu	2	1	0	0	1
CCC	Lukoshi	14	5	3	2	4
CCC	North Katanga	50	22	20	3	5
CCC	North-West Katanga	10	3	2	2	3
CCC	Oriental And Equator	4	2	0	0	2
CCC	South Congo	14	7	5	0	2
CCC	South-West Katanga	10	3	2	2	3
CCC	Tanganyika	10	4	5	1	0
CCC	Tanzania	6	1	0	2	3
CCC	West Congo	2	1	1	0	0
CCC	Zambia	6	3	1	0	2
	Subtotal	152	61	50	15	26
			73%		27%	
WACC	Central Nigeria	6	2	1	1	2
WACC	Côte d'Ivoire	32	8	11	8	5
WACC	Liberia	18	9	7	0	2
WACC	Northeast Nigeria	6	1	0	2	3
WACC	Northern Nigeria	2	1	0	0	1
WACC	Sierra Leone	14	7	7	0	0
WACC	Southern Nigeria	8	1	2	3	2
	Subtotal	86	29	28	14	15
			66%		34%	
	Totals	278	107	95	32	44
	Total Percentage		73%		27%	

*ACC- Africa Central Conference; CCC-Congo Central Conference; WACC-West Africa Central Conference

**No delegates elected.



Annual Conferences in the Central Conferences in Europe & Eurasia

Annual Conference*	Seats Alloted	Clergy Present	Laity Present	Clergy Absent	Laity Absent
Austria Provisional	2	1	1	0	0
Bulgaria-Romania Provisional**	2	0	0	1	1
Central Russia	2	1	1	0	0
Czech and Slovak Republics	2	1	1	0	0
Denmark	2	1	1	0	0
Eastern Russia and Central Asia	2	1	1	0	0
Estonia	2	0	1	1	0
Finland-Finnish	2	1	1	0	0
Finland-Swedish	2	1	1	0	0
Germany East	2	1	1	0	0
Germany North	2	1	1	0	0
Germany South	2	1	1	0	0
Hungary Provisional	2	1	1	0	0
Northwest Russia Provisional	2	1	1	0	0
Norway	2	1	1	0	0
Poland	2	1	1	0	0
Serbia-Macedonia Provisional	2	1	0	0	1
Southern Russia Provisional	2	1	1	0	0
Switzerland France North Africa	2	0	1	1	0
Ukraine-Moldova Provisional	2	1	0	0	1
Totals	40	17	17	3	3

*Names of Annual Conferences are those which were used at the time of the allotment of delegates.

**Ineligible-Please refer to Judicial Council Memorandum 1448 and other related items.

Annual Conferences in the Philippines Central Conference

Annual Conference	Seats Alloted	Clergy Present	Laity Present	Clergy Absent	Laity Absent
Bicol Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Bulacan Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Central Luzon Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
East Mindanao Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Hundred Island Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Middle Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Mindanao Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
North Central Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Northeast Luzon Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Northeast Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Northern Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Northwest Mindanao	2	1	1	0	0
Northwest Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Palawan Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Pampango Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Pangasinan Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Philippines-Cavite (PAC)	2	1	1	0	0
Quezon City Philippines East	2	1	1	0	0
Rizal Philippines East	2	1	1	0	0
South Nueva Ecija Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Southern Tagalog Philippines Provisional	2	1	1	0	0
Southwest Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Tarlac Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
Visayas Philippines	2	1	1	0	0
West Middle Philippines	2	1	0	0	1
Totals	52	26	25	0	1

Annual Conferences in the Jurisdictions

Annual Conference	Seats Alloted	Clergy Present	Laity Present	Clergy Absent	Laity Absent
Alabama-West Florida	8	4	4	0	0
Alaska Missionary	2	1	1	0	0
Arkansas	8	4	4	0	0
Baltimore-Washington	12	6	6	0	0
California-Nevada	6	3	3	0	0
California-Pacific	6	3	3	0	0
Central Texas	8	4	4	0	0
Dakotas	2	1	1	0	0
Desert Southwest	2	1	1	0	0
East Ohio	12	6	6	0	0
Eastern Pennsylvania	8	4	4	0	0
Florida	16	8	8	0	0
Great Plains Conference	14	7	7	0	0
Greater New Jersey	8	4	4	0	0
Holston	12	6	6	0	0
Illinois Great Rivers	10	5	5	0	0
Indiana	16	8	8	0	0
Iowa	12	6	6	0	0
Kentucky	10	5	5	0	0
Louisiana	6	3	3	0	0
Memphis	4	2	2	0	0
Michigan	8	4	4	0	0
Minnesota	2	1	1	0	0
Mississippi	10	5	5	0	0
Missouri	12	6	6	0	0
New England	6	3	3	0	0
New Mexico	2	1	1	0	0
New York	6	3	3	0	0
North Alabama	8	4	4	0	0
North Carolina	16	8	8	0	0
North Georgia	22	11	10	0	1
North Texas	8	4	4	0	0
Northern Illinois	6	3	3	0	0
Northwest Texas	2	1	1	0	0
Oklahoma	14	7	7	0	0
Oklahoma Indian Missionary	2	1	1	0	0
Oregon-Idaho	2	1	1	0	0
Pacific Northwest	2	1	1	0	0
Peninsula-Delaware	4	2	2	0	0
Red Bird Missionary	2	1	1	0	0
Rio Texas	8	4	4	0	0
Rocky Mountain	4	2	2	0	0
South Carolina	16	8	8	0	0
South Georgia	8	4	4	0	0

Susquehanna	12	6	6	0	0
Tennessee	8	4	4	0	0
Texas	18	9	8	0	1
Upper New York	10	5	5	0	0
Virginia	22	11	11	0	0
West Ohio	14	7	7	0	0
West Virginia	6	3	3	0	0
Western North Carolina	20	10	10	0	0
Western Pennsylvania	12	6	6	0	0
Wisconsin	6	3	3	0	0
Yellowstone	2	1	1	0	0
Totals	482	241	239	0	2

Concordat Churches

	Seats Alloted	Clergy Present	Laiety Present	Clergy Absent	Laiety Absent
Caribbean and the Americas	2	1	1	0	0
Great Britain	4	2	2	0	0
Mexico	2	1	1	0	0
Puerto Rico	2	1	1	0	0
Totals	10	5	5	0	0