



Community of Christ

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To: The Members of Central USA Mission Center Community of Christ;

Central USA Mission Center will be conducting our 2021 Fall Special Conference online using Zoom. As an online conference, there are many extra details for those interested in participating as voting members to know and understand. Special rules of order, which are in harmony with the guidelines for online business meetings issued by the World Church, will be used for this special conference. They contain information on requirements for voting, registration, parliamentary actions, and other important items for the conference body. The special rules document is below.

The Mission Center President Team wants all persons interested in participating in conference to have the opportunity, while also acknowledging accessing the online conference format will present difficulties for some members. Every voting member of the conference will need their own email address with which to register, as well as an individual separate connecting device (PC, Mac, iPad, Smart Phone) for the conference. The mission center is happy to assist as we can. We encourage congregational leaders to enlist help from their tech savvy members to support one another to be able to fully engage in conference. For those not wishing to vote, a live stream of the proceedings will be shown on the mission center Facebook and at www.centralmission.org.

14 November 2021	
1:30pm-4:30pm	
Consideration of World Church Priesthood Calls	Update on Bridge of Hope
Ordination Service	CPCI/Lake Doniphan Presentation
Campus RV Park Audits	Center Place Campgrounds, Inc. Audits
Campus RV Park Board Elections	Center Place Campgrounds, Inc. Board Elections
Central Mission Center Audits	Resolution(s) for World Conference
Central Mission Center 2021 Operating Budget	Sustaining of Mission Center Officers, Ministerial Staff, Support Staff and Mission Center Council

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After you have registered...

Once you have registered you should expect to receive two emails from us. First, you will receive an email with the connection and voting guidelines for the conference. It is extremely important that you read through this completely before attending the conference. Second, you will receive an email at least 24 hours in advance of the conference with an individualized link to the Zoom Webinar. Each email address will be sent its own link and can only be used by that one person. If you have multiple members in your house who would like to participate in voting during the conference, please register each person with a different email address. If you have any questions about this portion of the conference please contact Laura Reed at laurareed@centralmission.org for clarification.

**Proposed Standing Rules
Central Mission Center Conference
Fall 2021**

1. **Meeting Format.** The Central Mission Center Conference in the Fall of 2021 will be conducted using the online meeting platform Zoom. The meeting will begin promptly at the hour announced and order must be maintained at all times. This virtual meeting shall be considered the same as an in-person annual meeting.
2. **In Order to Vote.** Members should join the meeting using a PC, MAC, tablet or smart phone that has the Zoom app downloaded on it. Every voter must have an individual, separate connection.
3. **Registration.** All members of Central Mission Center who intend to participate in the online Conference must register their email addresses and indicate that they plan to attend the meeting no later than four (4) days prior to the meeting in order to allow for an email to be sent to each voting member that will allow access to the Zoom meeting.
4. **Login Instructions.** Members of Central Mission Center who register will be provided a meeting invitation and link approximately twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting which will allow them to enter the virtual meeting room. Each voting member must sign in on a separate device in order to vote. Only members of Central Mission Center will be authorized to attend the meeting as participants. Others wishing to observe the proceedings may watch the meeting via live stream at centralmission.org. A quorum will be confirmed using the participant logon report within Zoom.
5. **Screen Name.** When signing in to Zoom members need to assure that their name appears as “First Name Last Name” (i.e., Jane Smith) so they can be clearly identified by the Chair.
6. **Individual Connections.** Each voting member must have an individual computer/tablet/smart phone connection in order to be recognized to speak and to vote. More than one voting member on the same connection device will not allow any more than the named person to speak and vote.
7. **Addressing the Chair.** Only voting members may address the chair. Voting members once recognized must give their name before beginning to speak. Discussion, including questions and answers, must be directed to the Chair or through the Chair when these are in order.
8. **Seeking Recognition to Speak.** To seek recognition, members must use the “raise your hand” tool in Zoom and then type into the Q&A function what they wish to do. Once called on to speak members must state their name before beginning to speak.

9. **Actions by Recognized Members.** Members once recognized may do any one of the following: make or second a motion, speak in debate, or ask a question. No speech may be followed by a motion.
10. **Speaking Limits.** Voting members may not speak for more than two (2) minutes on any question under discussion, nor more than once on the same question. No proposal shall be on the floor for longer than fifteen (15) minutes. A member making a report is not bound by these rules. Speakers shall conform to the ruling of the timekeeper.
11. **Questions.** As per *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, only questions specific to a pending motion may be asked. Any question may be asked using the Chat function in Zoom.
12. **Interrupting Items.** Any member who wishes to raise point of order, appeal a ruling of the Chair or do anything else that interrupts business shall use the "raised hand tool" in Zoom and type the issue into the Chat Function. The Parliamentarian will inform the Chair if these can properly interrupt business.
13. **Making Voting Clear.** The chair shall clearly state what is being voted upon prior to any vote being taken so that all voting members may understand the effect of their vote before casting it.
14. **Anonymous Voting.** The online voting system in Zoom shall be used for voting on motions. There will be no voice votes. However, to facilitate action on matters of general agreement, the adoption by the voting members of matters by unanimous consent may take place.
15. **Technical Requirements and Malfunctions.** Each member is responsible for his or her audio and Internet connections; no action shall be invalidated on the grounds that the loss of, or poor quality of, a member's individual connection prevented participation in the meeting.