

Discipleship Ministries

The General Board of Discipleship

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DMYP to YPCN Proposals

- Updates the 1200 (1201-1212) paragraphs to strengthen and clarify the structure of the Division on Young People's Ministries (DMYP) to become the **Young People's Connectional Network (YPCN)**
- YPCN model is more sustainable, economically and ecologically
- Developed by the current DMYP
- Strengthens leadership and connectional voice of young people by:
 - Providing a greater percentage of representation for young people worldwide
 - Placing members of YPCN on general church boards and agencies with voice and adding a bishop to YPCN
 - Freeing up resources currently dedicated to meetings
- Maintain Youth Service Fund and Global Convocation



	CURRENT BOD DMYP VOICE & VOTE	*Updated* PROPOSED YPCN VOICE & VOTE	PROPOSED YPCN VOICE NO VOTE
Youth	12 Youth (1 youth from each central conference and jurisdiction)	2 youth from each region (Africa, Europe, the Philippines, the US) = 8 youth	General Boards & Agency Representatives <i>(a staff or board member who attends at expense of sending agency)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General Board of Church and Society 2. General Board of Global Ministries 3. General Board of Higher Education & Ministry 4. General Board of Pension and Health Benefits 5. General Commission on Archives & History 6. General Commission on Religion & Race 7. General Commission on the Status & Role of Women 8. General Commission on United Methodist Men 9. General Council on Finance and Administration 10. Connectional Table 11. United Methodist Communications 12. United Methodist Publishing House 13. United Women in Faith 14. United Methodist Student Movement *Discipleship Ministries is included due to the DM board member.
Young Adult	12 Young Adults (1 YA from each central conference and jurisdiction)	2 young adults from each region = 8 young adults	
Young Adult Workers	12 Youth Workers (1 adult worker from each central conference and jurisdiction)	1 youth/young adult workers from each region (Africa, Europe, Philippines, US) = 4 youth/young adult workers	
UM Student Movement	2 members from UM Student Movement		
GBOD/DM	1 General Board of Discipleship Member	1 Discipleship Ministries Member (determined by DM)	
Bishop (from Council of Bishops)		1 Bishop (determined by council of bishops)	
Additional Members	up to 5 additional members who, as determined by the GBOD, may be nominated by the division to ensure inclusiveness	up to 4 additional members who as determined by <i>YPCN nomination discernment team</i> to ensure inclusiveness and equity	
TOTAL	39-44 (up to 44 with additional members for inclusiveness)	22-26 (up to 26 with additional members for inclusiveness)	14 Representatives from General Boards & Agencies

The Young People’s Connectional Network will advocate for the full participation of young people in all levels of The United Methodist Church, build global partnerships, and empower young people to make world-changing disciples of Jesus Christ.

An application process would open after General Conference, with a committee from the current DMYP selecting members for the newly forming YPCN.

Point of Clarification

- Proposals submitted prior to 2020, and did not require updates for 2024, show the name of Bishop Mark Webb, who was the President of the Discipleship Ministries Board at the time. Webb has since disaffiliated from the UMC, but the Discipleship Ministries-related proposals that carry his name continue to be recommended by the current Board of Directors.
- Updated proposals submitted after 2020 show the name of our General Secretary, Rev. Jeff Campbell.



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