



LEADERSHIP. EXCELLENCE. AGILITY. DISCOVERY.

GCFA Quadrennial Training Agenda

ENGLISH

JULY 21, 2025

Travel to Africa University, Mutare, Zimbabwe in morning (~3-4 Hour Trip)

5:00p Registration & Welcome from AU

JULY 22, 2025

8:30a Welcome & Opening Worship Devotion: Bishop Machinga, Zimbabwe-Malawi Episcopal Area
Greeting & Welcome: Bishop Graves, GCFA Board President

9:30a Plenary Session 1: General Agency Stewardship Resource Panel

11:00a Skills Session 1

12:30a Lunch

2:00p Skills Session 2

4:00p Plenary Session 2: Stewardship Listening Session
Episcopal Leader Session

5:30p Closing Benediction

6:00p Dinner

JULY 23, 2025

8:30a Opening Worship
Devotion: Bishop Mande, African College of Bishops President

9:30a Plenary Session 3: Regionalization Next Steps, Bishop Mande, Judi Kenaston, Dr. Fulbright

11:00a Skills Session 3

12:30a Lunch

2:00a Skills Session 4

4:00p Closing Plenary 4: United in Impact

5:00p Closing Worship

6:00p Dinner

JULY 24, 2025

Departure and travel day



FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

General Council on Finance and Administration

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

AREA TREASURERS AND CHAIRS OF CF&A

JULY 22, 2025

11:00 AM

Skills Session 1: Review Book of Discipline & Discuss Responsibilities

Lead Staff: Rev. Sheila Ahler and Ndzulo Tueche

2:00 PM

Skill Session 2: Apportionment Formulas Jurisdictions & Central Conferences

Lead Staff: Rev. Sheila Ahler and Ndzulo Tueche

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11:00 AM

Skill Session 3: Current Financial State of the Church

Lead Staff: Rev. Sheila Ahler and Ndzulo Tueche

2:00 PM

Skill Session 4: Importance of Audits

Lead Staff: Rev. Sheila Ahler and Ndzulo Tueche

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SECRETARIES

JULY 22, 2025

11:00 AM

Skills Session 1: Book of Discipline Review & General Conference Changes

Lead Staff: Rev. Dr. Aleze Fulbright

2:00 PM

Skill Session 2: Annual Conference Responsibilities

Lead Staff: Rev. Dr. Aleze Fulbright

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11:00 AM

Skill Session 3: General and Jurisdictional Conference Responsibilities

Lead Staff: Rev. Dr. Aleze Fulbright

2:00 PM

Skill Session 4: Journals & Other Record Keeping

Lead Staff: Rev. Dr. Aleze Fulbright

ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMUNICATORS

JULY 22, 2025

11:00 AM

Skills Session 1: Budget Conversations: Building Trust Through Open Communication

Lead Staff: Andrew Jensen and Rev. Ken Sloane

2:00 PM

Skill Session 2: The Stories Behind the Offerings: A Glimpse into the Impact of Giving

Lead Staff: Linda Bruner

JULY 23, 2025

11:00 AM

Skill Session 3: Laying the Foundation: A Contextual Approach to Stewardship in Africa

Lead Staff: Andrew Jensen and Rev. Ken Sloane

2:00 PM

Skill Session 4: Train the Trainer Practice: Stewardship Presentation

Lead Staff: Andrew Jensen, Linda Bruner, Rev. Ken Sloane