

United Methodist Church in Mozambique
Southern Save Annual Conference

Recommendations and resolutions of the sixteenth First Conference session

The sixteenth first session of the annual Conference of the United Methodist Church in Mozambique, gathered in Cambine, district of Morrumbene District, province of Inhambane, on 7 to 11 December 2016, produced the following recommendations and resolutions:

Recommendations (REC)

Rec 1/16 in the context of the Christian unity, the Conference recommends to the Church, at all its levels, the creation of means that enalteçam the narrowing of relationships with other denominations.

REC2/16: Promoting the dissemination of citizenship rights to all age groups, focusing on the elderly, women and children in vulnerable situations.

REC3/16 to promote, intentionally, at all levels, actions that lead to peace, harmony, human dignity and respect for all divine creation.

REC4/16-promoting education and dissemination of religious and civil marriage values, and urge members to contract this type of marriage to complete their member State and thereby reduce cohabitation by de facto unions.

REC5/16-promoting chaplaincy actions in the prison centers, where possible, to support the regeneration of prisoners.

REC6/16-promoting concrete actions to support the victims of natural disasters, endemic diseases, disasters and other weather.

REC7/16-Promoting health education programs to the communities.

REC8/16-promoting actions aimed at ensuring justice, the economic and social welfare of the communities.

REC9/16-The Conference recommends the following: the names of the pastoral offices that are to arise from now, geographical names are attributed to the areas where the same pastoral positions are located.

If in the same area there are several pastoral offices, the other may be attributed biblical names.

A) If the desire of the local community is forcibly to assign the name of a member of the church to its pastoral position, that it is someone who has been an effective member, without blemish and that he has finished his career of faith in this world (Apoc. 2.10).

REC10/16-It is recommended to the districts, pastoral offices and organisations, so that in seminars and lectures, themes are also used on the theme of the annual conference (that year). Similarly, the educational material which is produced by the departments of Education and Communication and publication which should observe this aspect.

REC11/16-it is recommended to revitalise the classes as a fundamental part for the development of the church.

REC12/16-it is recommended to standardize the curriculum contents of the biblical course at the annual conference level.

REC13/16 – It is recommended for pastoral organisations and offices to observe the filling due to statistical maps so as not to exclude members or consider them passive for more than two years.

REC14/16 – To permit transparency in the allocation of scholarships, the Church should draw up a training plan for workers.

Resolutions (REC)

Res. 1/16: That in the from 2017/22020 the Church implements concrete actions of community empowerment in the fight and prevention of ills and diseases that nursing our society, such as poverty, cleaning and sanitation of the medium, HIV and AIDS, drug use, domestic violence, malaria and others.

RES2/16 When a member of this conference is deceased, information should be sent immediately to the secretariat of the annual Conference and the human resources of the church.

RES3/16 – in every school in the church, the teaching of moral and ethics should be observed.

RES4/16-pilot schools will be created in Malongele and Hanhane schools, aimed at developing leadership.

RES5/16-The creation of a ADOOC committee was approved for the accompaniment of the works of the episcopal residence, constituted by the members of the Committee of Episcopal Residence, part of the members of the trust and part of the members of the Board of Curators and the Superintendent of the area of Maputo. This Commission should work until the work is concluded.

RES6/16-was endorsed the integration of Grupo Atalaia in the Trust fund raising Committee, by promoting events, presentations and concerts.

RES7/16-It is not permitted to pay fees, incentives or grants to workers by performing any function in the church at the conference, district, parish, local church or class, except for shepherds or other figures, when appointed by the Episcopal office.

RES8/16-the Conference approved the salary increase by 10% for all itinerant shepherds, from January 2017.

REC9/16-The Conference recommends promoting financial education at all levels, especially to the personnel of this area.

REC10/16-Candidates for baptism and confirmation should be trained at least 6 months.

RES9/16-that pastoral offices and ecclesiastical districts provide for their annual budgets, contributions that will join funds from other sources For the work of the Episcopal residence.

RES10/16-The Secretariat will address, on behalf of the Conference, a letter of thanks to the architect who elaborated the plan of the episcopal Residence for free.

RES11/16-Seen the growth of the church, the General Conference approved the Division of our Central Conference in 3, being Mozambique to belong to the Conference called "Central Conference of Southeast Africa" consisting of (Mozambique, Lesotho, Madagascar and South Africa).

RES12/16-The global vision of the United Methodist Church for the next 4 years is to develop actions that save lives; Actions that transform communities through the promotion of concrete actions and ministry with the poor, especially with the children.

RES13/16-scholarship applications have been approved of the following:

Theology: Alexandre Manuel Shiv M, 21 years, 12a class, however for his return to the seminary should pay the costs of his formation during the first semester.

- Lourdes Amone Armando. Single, 20 years 10a Clsse; (Lack of commitment letter)
- Faustina Alberto Zab, 21 years 12th grade. (Lack of compromise declaration....)
- Joaquim Victoria, 24-year-old 10th grade. (Lack of compromise declaration....)
- Octavia of Grace Solomon Mapanzene, single, 19 years 12a class;
- Anita Paulino, single, 25anos 11a Clsse.
- Celia Alberto Vilanculo, Soleitera, 20 years, 12a class;
- Tomás Tall, single 28 years 12a class;
- Ameralda Pomegranateo Nhangumbe, maiden 19 years 10a class;
- Adinora Francisco Nhanombe, single 20 years 12a class;

Requests for continuous training

- Rev. Emilia Rosa C. Sumbane, Theology – Basic level, 12th class, married, asks for theology, United Methodist University of Mozambique (a little).
- Colin David Nhaposse, theology, 12th class, asks for a bachelor's degree in "theology" at the United Methodist University of Mozambique (a little).

-Rev. Vasco Alberto Matió, basic level in theology, 12th class, asks for a bachelor's degree in human resources at the Pedagogical University, Massinga.

-Rev. Just Dikson me, the average level in theology and a bachelor's degree in French, asks a masters degree in Didactics of the French language at the Pedagogical University of Maputo.

Scholarship Applications (renewal)

Sup. Bonaventure Alfredo Mazive – asks for scholarship to conclude his studies (3-year philosophy, up – Maputo).

Sup. Hydrangea A. Langa, a Masters in school management, up Maxixe.

-Rev. José Jaime Hanz Zack, Bachelor's degree in history, up Maxixe

-Rev. Benjamin Arone Chivale, Masters in social development.

-Rev. Olinda Hope Refu – asks for scholarship to make PhD in leadership.

-Rev. Orlanda dos Santos Guiamba Sabino – philosophy, up – Maxixe.

New Scholarship Applications

The following names for scholarship have been approved:

-Clementine da Silva José, aged 28, married, 12th class, asks for the scholarship to follow the course of educational sciences or social sciences.

-Nelson Janane Pedro, of 20 years of age, bachelor, of course average in agro livestock farming, member, asks for the upper course in agro-livestock.

-Iracema Joel Mata, 29-year-old, licensed in psychology, asks scholarship to make Masters in psychology

-Jordan Adá M, 18-year-old, 12th class, asks scholarship for health Sciences.

Education License

The Conference granted education license to Rev. Isaac Florida Ngale.

RES14/16-by resolution of the General Conference, Shepherds should participate in the finance committees and have access to all financial information of the pastoral office and must be thus at all levels of the church.

RES15/16-was approved the budget of the United Methodist Church in Mozambique for the year of 2017 in the value of 16. 487,000, 00 Mt.

RES16/16-were ordained deacons and deaconesses:-Armando Hilario Machunguele, Ana Maria Elijah Siquice, Celia

Leonardo Nhane Manne and Felix Simeon Uacitela

RES17/16-priests were ordained:

-Armando Ricardo Mbiza

-Caldito António Gujamo

-Chandrakant Moses Homo

-José Caesarion Beech

-Madae of Cruz Carlos as

-Olivia of Quiteria Simim Siteo

-Ranito Arnaldo Hilarious Machanguele

-Sergio Eduardo Algineiro Jone

-Victoria Carlos Raul

RES18/16-Retired at this conference:

-Aunora Isaiah Mutsu, and Selevelina Castro.

RES19/16-The division of the District of Maputo West in two, namely: District Eclesiastico of Maputo Sul, constituted respectively by 3 pastoral offices and 4 Evangelical extensions: Matola, Zechariah Manhiça, Liberty, Ressano Garcia, Ambao, Sabiis and Namaacha. It has 1360 effective members, 1334 proof and 1189 beginners. Totaling 3,883 members. Children from 0 to 11 years 248.

-Ecclesiastical district of Maputo West, constituted respectively by 5 pastoral offices and two evangelical extensions: M, T-3, Macedonia, Samaria, Xhinavane, Nkhobe and Manhiça. It has 1,440 effective members, 2,192 proof, 1884 beginners. Totaling 5,516 members. Children from 0 to 11 a Years are 622.

RES20/16-The division of the ecclesiastical district of Gaza in three, in the following way: The ecclesiastical district of North Gaza, constituted respectively by two pastoral offices and two extensions of evangelisation: John Wesley, Chokwe, Chibuto and Chicualacuala. It has a universe of 1027 members of which 298 are effective, 634 proof and 95 beginners.

-Ecclesiastical district of Gaza centre, consisting of three pastoral offices and two evangelical extensions: Xai-Xai, Bahule, Chonguene, Sambo and Mauaiela. There is still a pastoral position and an extension in preparation. It has a universe of 2016 members, of which 615 are effective, 921 are the proof and 480 beginners.

-The ecclesiastical district of East Gaza, constituted by three pastoral offices and an evangelical extension: Bahule, Nkadine, Betula and Matsuquetele. It has the universe of 1170 members, of which 369 are effective, 993 are the proof and 192 are beginners.

RES21/16-was approved the creation of the missionary district of the boat, constituted by the Central pastoral position and evangelical extensions of Tessolo, Mussengue and Chitanga.

RES22/16-it was approved that in the pastoral position of the sea, the evangelical extension of Tessolo, from the pastoral position of the boat, has 3 local churches, 7 classes and 202 members.

RES23/16-was approved the creation of the Evangelical de Mussegue extensive, from the pastoral position of the sea. It has a local church, two classes and 70 members. It is 16 km from the headquarters of the pastoral-mae position.

RES24/16-was approved the creation of the Evangelical de Chitanga extensive, from the pastoral position of the sea. It has a local church, two classes and 82 members. It's 20 kilometers from Mussengue.

RES25/16-was approved the elevation of the evangelical extension of Bethel to the category of pastoral position, with the name: Pastoral position of Bethel. It has 108 effective members, 175 members proof, 211 beginners and 50 children from 0 to 11 years.

RES26/16-was approved the elevation of the pastoral post experimental 26th Joaquina Nair to the category of pastoral position, with the name: pastoral position of the novel. It has 104 effective members.

RES24/16-was approved the elevation of the evangelical extension of Nkobe to the category of pastoral position of Nkobe. It has 106 effective members, 68 members proof, 127 beginners, 40 children from 0 to 11 years.

RES25/16-The establishment of the pastoral position of Nhamakhamba, in the expansion zone of Vilankulo, from members from the pastoral office Central and airport, was approved. It has 4 local churches, 9 classes and 403 members.

RES26/16-The creation of the evangelical extension of mbar was approved. It has two local churches, 5 classes and 50 members. It's 20 kilometers from the pastoral-mother position.

RES27/16-in the Ecclesiastico district of Inhambane, the division of the Pastoral Office of Bethlehem in two was approved. The new with the name of Bishop Almeida Penicela – demo. It has 121 effective members, 169 members Proof and 107 beginners. Total 397.

RES28/16-in the Ecclesiastico district of East Inhambane, it was approved the creation of the gospel extension Simo that Marrengule switch, from the pastoral office micas Madonela de Ngale.

RES29/16-was approved the creation of extension evangelical de Vulcanjane, from the Pastoral office 26th Joaquina Nair de Fequete. It has two local churches, 4 classes and 96 members.

RES30-Field Missionary District of Vilankulo East: The creation of the evangelical extension of Tlokolane was approved. It has two local churches, 4 classes and 133 members.

RES31/16-The Conference approved the creation of the evangelical extension of Mahatsel.

RES32/16-it was approved that from this conference, the lay guides are delegated from their pastoral offices.

RES33/16-in the planning of seminars of the organizations and workers of the Anul conference, it is recommended to agglutinate the same for better management of time and to grant the districts and pastoral offices more time to carry out their activities, and these are the basis of the church's livelihood.

RES34/16-ceased to be members with appointment of the Episcopal Office: Belezardo Fafetine Chemane, Curtis Pedro Chicavele, Argentina Habeeb Irfan Sen, Merim Francisco Alooi, Zacchaeus Silva Ranchaze, and Uache Benedito Manuel

RES35/16-The Conference approved the request expressed by Uache Benedito Manuel to leave the United Methodist Church.

RES36/16 – were elected: Lay Guide – Jose Edge and Vice: Sarneta Ngale; Secretary: Antonio Wilson and vices Pastor Geraldo Nathaniel and Elsa Zunguze:

Conductors

RES37/16 – The annual conference approved the forwarding of the proposal to the Central Conference, the Division of the annual Southern Conference of Save in two, as a response to the continuous growth of the United Methodist Church in Mozambique;

The division will give rise to two new annual conferences, namely annual Mozambique – Southeast Conference, consisting of all the ecclesiastical districts of the province of Inhambane; and the annual Conference of Mozambique – South, in turn constituted by the ecclesiastical districts of the provinces of Gaza and Maputo.

Table of data of members of the Clergy and laity:

A. Annual Mozambique-Southeast Conference.

Relationship of the areas of Superintendencia members to prove effective members total NR itinerant Shepherds

Relação das Areas de Superintendencia	Membros a Prova	Membros Efectivos	Total	Nr Pastores Itinerantes
VILANKULO	4.445	1.969	6.414	22
MASSINGA	8.114	3.987	12.101	18
MORRUMBENE	10.933	4.332	15.265	28
INHAMBANE	9.273	5.495	14.772	14
Inhambane Sul	1.772	669	2.441	7
Sub.Total Inhamb.	34.537	16.452	50.989	89

A. Mozambique – South Annual conference.

Distrito de Gaza	1.923	1.196	3.119	12
AREA DE MAPUTO	10.427	7875	18.302	48
Sub.Total Maputo e Gaza	12.350	9.071	21.421	60
Total de toda a conf anual	46.887	25.523	72.410	149

Each annual conference will have duties to pay in the Central Africa and general conferences, as well as to pay the costs of the functioning of episcopal offices and their respective salaries in the next time.

RES38/16 – The church, at the level of the annual conference, should provide some subsidy to the pastor (a) that goes out in formation leaving his family, being he (a) the family's livelihood.

• Statistical information: Total members of the IMUM-south of Save on 2016 – 85.249 members.
Cambine, December 11, 2016.

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