

Voice and Vote

Your name tag indicates your voice and vote status at Plenary Sessions. Please wear your name tag in a visible location during these sessions. Florida Annual Conference Members with both voice (meaning they can speak in Plenary Sessions) and vote (meaning they can make and amend motions and vote on motions) are as follows:

	Recommendations & Conference Business	Elections for clergy delegates to the General, Jurisdictional and Central Conference(s)	Elections for lay delegates to the General, Jurisdictional and Central Conference(s)	Constitutional Amendments	Matters of ordination, character, and conference relations of	Voice without Vote
Clergy Members <i>in full connection</i> (§ 602.a)	•	•		•	•	
Provisional Clergy Members <i>who have completed all of their educational requirements</i> (§602.b errata)	•	•				
Provisional Clergy Members <i>who have not completed all of their educational requirements</i> (§602.b)	•					
Associate Clergy Members (§602.c)	•	•			†	
Affiliate Clergy Members (Standing Rules)						•
Local Pastors <i>who have completed Course of Study or an M.Div. degree and have served a minimum of two consecutive years under appointment to a pastoral charge before the election</i> (§602.d errata)	•	•			†	
Full- and Part-time Local Pastors <i>who have not completed Course of Study or an M.Div. degree and/or have not served a minimum of two consecutive years under appointment before the election</i> (§602.d)	•					
Elders or Ordained Clergy from other denominations <i>servicing under appointment within the Annual Conference</i> (§346.2)						•
Lay Members: <i>Elected Members representing congregations, Diaconal Ministers, Active Deaconesses, Home Missioners, Members by Virtue of Office, At-large Members as designated by districts, Youth Members</i> (§32, §602.4)	•		•	•	‡	
Official Representatives from other Denominations (§602.9)						•
Missionaries <i>regularly assigned by the GBGM in nations other than the US & Certified Lay Missionaries from nations other than the US serving within the bounds of the Annual Conference</i> (§602.9)						•
Conference Chancellor <i>if not otherwise a voting member</i> (§602.10)						•
Ordained Clergy or Provisional Members <i>from Other Annual Conferences and Other Methodist Denominations</i> (§346.1)						•
Visitors, Spouses of Clergy, Conference Staff and reserve lay members ¹ <i>who have not officially replaced a lay member from their church</i>						

† If also a member of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, they may vote at Clergy Session

‡ If also a lay member of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry and/or Committee on Investigation (§602.6)

¹ A Reserve Lay Member who is officially replacing the Lay Member from their church must complete a "Laity Credentials Form." Forms can be obtained at the Registration Desk. They will be given their materials and name badge once this form is completed, signed by the pastor or district office representative, and submitted to the Registration Desk