

## **Global Young People's Convocation (GYPC) 2018 Unity Statement**

*The Legislative Forum of the Global Young People's Convocation (GYPC) 2018 discussed and passed the following Statement of Unity. Each Central Conference or Jurisdiction was represented by a maximum of 12 delegates (5 youth, 5 young adults, and 2 adult workers). This Statement is available in French, Portuguese, German, & Russian. Please scroll down to read the translated versions.*

### **2018 GLOBAL YOUNG PEOPLES CONVOCATION Statement of Unity**

We, as the Young People of the United Methodist Church, agree to be united in Spirit as one body of Christ, despite the diversity of culture, tradition, political ideologies, language, beliefs, nationalities, and personal identities, as we believe that we are all God's creation and our primary identity is being God's children.

As young people, we love The United Methodist Church, the unity it offers, and how it welcomes all people, regardless of who they are and what they do in life.

We recognize and celebrate the diversity that comes from being in a global United Methodist connection. We view each person as an essential part of the body of Christ, which is the Church, and that God loves each of us far beyond what we can imagine.

With that, we believe that God's love is engrained in us and part of our identity as United Methodists.

We stand against the spirit of hatred, judgment, and discrimination which creates division instead of unity.

We pray that through the Holy Spirit we can remain united as a body that continues to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

#### **Young people's Stance on the Commission of the Way Forward**

When the youth and young adults voting delegates of the 2018 Global Young People Convocation were polled on their support of each of the plans proposed by the Commission on the Way Forward, we found the following:

- 38.46% support the Traditionalist plan
- 60.58% support the One Church plan
- 19.23% support the Connectional Conference plan
- 0.96% abstained

## Explanation of the Voting Process on the Unity Statement

*The Division on Ministries with Young People (DMYP) provided the following explanation on how the Legislative Forum voted on young people's Stance on the Commission of the Way Forward.*

On Sunday (July 22, 2018) adult workers were asked to leave the conference bar, that separated voting and non-voting delegates. Julie Hager-Love, member of the Commission On a Way Forward, began the legislation session with a brief, 5-minute, summary of all three reports presented and delegates were given written explanations. Ballots were passed out. The chair, along with consultation with resource persons, decided to have the vote the same way the COWF did their voting on the models. The ballot listed all three plans, Traditionalist, Connectional Conference, and the One Church Model, as well as a box for abstaining. Delegates were instructed to check the box next to the plan or plans they felt they could support. Furthermore, delegates could choose one plan that they supported, two plans that they supported, all three plans that they supported, or simply abstain. The votes were collected and tallied by Division on Ministries with Young People volunteer pages. The vote was announced Sunday night.

The poll percentages reflect the support of voting youth and young adults present and elected to Global Young People's Convocation 2018 for each plan.

The results are:

**(Please note that these percentages will not add up in total to 100%. Delegates had the option of selecting more than one plan. Therefore, the percentages are based on what the delegates selected.)**

7 people voted Traditional and One Church  
12 people voted One Church Model and Connectional  
1 person voted Traditionalist and Connectional Conferences  
32 people voted only for Traditionalist  
44 people voted only for One Church Model  
7 people voted only for Connectional Conferences  
1 person abstained

The total number of persons polled: 104 voting youth and young adults

## **GYPC 2018 Unity Statement Translations**

### **CONVOCATION MONDIALE DES JEUNES DE 2018**

#### **Déclaration d'unité**

En tant que Jeunes de l'Église Méthodiste Unie, nous acceptons d'être unis en Esprit comme un seul corps du Christ, malgré la diversité de la culture, des traditions, des idéologies politiques, de la langue, des croyances, des nationalités et des identités personnelles ; toute la création de Dieu et notre identité primaire est d'être les enfants de Dieu.

En tant que jeunes, nous aimons l'Église Méthodiste Unie, l'unité qu'elle offre et comment elle accueille tous les gens, peu importe qui ils sont et ce qu'ils font dans la vie.

Nous reconnaissons et célébrons la diversité qui se dégage de notre présence dans une connexion méthodiste unie mondiale. Nous considérons chaque personne comme une partie essentielle du corps de Christ, qui est l'Église, et que Dieu nous aime chacun au-delà de ce que nous pouvons imaginer.

Avec cela, nous croyons que l'amour de Dieu est enraciné en nous et fait partie de notre identité en tant que méthodistes unis.

Nous nous opposons à l'esprit de haine, de jugement et de discrimination qui crée la division au lieu de l'unité.

Nous prions pour que, par le Saint-Esprit, nous puissions rester unis en tant que corps continuant à faire des disciples de Jésus-Christ pour la transformation du monde.  
Position des jeunes sur la Commission de la voie à suivre

Lorsque les jeunes et les jeunes adultes qui ont voté lors de la Convocation mondiale des jeunes de 2018 ont été interrogés sur leur soutien à chacun des plans proposés par la Commission sur la voie à suivre, nous avons constaté ce qui suit:

38,46% soutiennent le plan traditionaliste  
60,58% soutiennent le plan One Church  
19,23% soutiennent le plan de la Conférence Connectional  
0.96% se sont abstenus

**2018 GLOBAL YOUNG PEOPLES CONVOCATION**  
**Einigkeitsstatement**

Wir, die jungen Menschen der *United Methodist Church*, verbinden uns dazu im Geiste als ein Leib Christi vereint zu sein, trotz unserer Unterschiede in Kultur, Tradition, politischen Ideologien, Sprache, religiösen Überzeugungen, Nationalitäten und persönlichen Identitäten, da wir daran festhalten, dass wir alle Gottes Schöpfung sind und unsere Primäridentität ein Kind Gottes ist.

Als junge Menschen lieben wir die *United Methodist Church* und die Einigkeit die sie versinnbildlicht und wie sie alle Menschen willkommen heißt, egal wer sie sind oder wie sie leben.

Wir erkennen und feiern die Diversität, die aus unserer weltweiten vereinten methodistischen Verbindung entstammt. Wir betrachten jede Person als wesentlichen Bestandteil des Leib Christi, welcher die Kirche ist, und das jede Person von Gott geliebt ist. Diese Liebe geht weit über unser Verständnis hinaus.

Daher glauben wir, dass Gottes Liebe in uns und unserer *United Methodist* Identität verwurzelt ist.

Wir setzen uns gegen den Geist des Hasses, der Verurteilung und Diskrimination, der uns auseinander zerrt, statt uns zu einigen.

Wir beten, dass durch die Kraft des Heiligen Geistes wir als ein Leib vereint bleiben, der weiterhin Menschen zu Jüngern Jesu macht um die Welt zu verändern.

**Die Stellung der jungen Menschen zur *Commission on the Way Forward***

Als die wahlberechtigten Jugendlichen und Jungen Erwachsenen bei der Global Young People Convocation 2018 gefragt wurden welchen Plan der von der *Commission on the Way Forward*, wurde folgendes festgestellt:

- 38.46% unterstützten den Traditionalistischen Plan
- 60.58% unterstützten den *One Church* (Eine Kirche) Plan
- 19.23% unterstützten den Konnexionskonferenzen Plan
- .96% enthielten sich

## **2018 CONVOCAÇÃO GLOBAL DOS JOVENS**

### **Declaração de Unidade**

Nós, os Jovens da Igreja Metodista Unida, concordamos em estar unidos no Espírito como um corpo de Cristo, apesar da diversidade de cultura, tradição, ideologias políticas, língua, crenças, nacionalidades e identidades pessoais, como acreditamos que nós somos toda a criação de Deus e nossa identidade primária é ser filhos de Deus.

Como jovens, amamos a Igreja Metodista Unida, a unidade que oferece e como ela acolhe todas as pessoas, independentemente de quem são e do que fazem na vida.

Reconhecemos e celebramos a diversidade que resulta de estarmos numa união global Metodista Unida. Nós vemos cada pessoa como uma parte essencial do corpo de Cristo, que é a Igreja, e que Deus ama cada um de nós muito além do que podemos imaginar.

Com isso, acreditamos que o amor de Deus está enraizado em nós e faz parte da nossa identidade como Metodistas Unidos.

Estamos contra o espírito de ódio, juízo, e discriminação que cria a divisão em vez da unidade.

Oramos para que, através do Espírito Santo, possamos permanecer unidos como um corpo que continua a fazer discípulos de Jesus Cristo para a transformação do mundo.

### **Posicionamento dos jovens sobre a Comissão do Caminho a Seguir**

Quando os jovens e jovens adultos, com direito a voto na Convocação Global de Jovens de 2018, foram consultados sobre seu apoio a cada um dos planos propostos pela Comissão sobre o Caminho a Seguir, encontramos o seguinte:

38.46% estão a favor do Plano Tradicional  
60.58% estão a favor do Plano de Uma igreja  
19.23% o plano de conferência Conacional.  
0.96% abstiveram-se

## **ВСЕМИРНЫЙ МОЛОДЕЖНЫЙ СОВЕТ 2018**

### **Заявление о единстве**

Мы, молодежь Объединенной методистской церкви, соглашаемся быть объединенными в Духе, как в едином Телe Иисуса Христа, несмотря на разнообразие культур, традиций, политических взглядов, языков, убеждений, национальностей и личных личностей, поскольку считаем, что все мы являемся творениями Божьими, и наша первичная идентичность - это то, что мы дети Бога.

Будучи молодыми людьми, мы любим Объединенную методистскую церковь, единство, которое она предлагает, и то, как она доброжелательно принимает всех людей, независимо от того, кто они, и что они делают в жизни.

Мы признаем и празднуем разнообразие, которое приходит от разных всемирных методистских связей. Мы видим каждого человека, как неотъемлемую часть тела Христового, то есть Церкви, и что Бог любит каждого из нас так сильно, что мы даже не можем себе это представить.

Со всем этим мы верим, что любовь Бога укоренена в нас и является частью нашей идентичности, как Объединенных методистов.

Мы выступаем против духа ненависти, осуждения и дискриминации, которые создают разделение вместо единства.

Молимся, чтобы через Святого Духа мы могли оставаться единым телом, которое продолжает создавать учеников Иисуса Христа для преобразования мира.

### **Позиция молодых людей в отношении Комиссии по пути вперед**

Когда молодежь и молодые взрослые, обладающие правом голосования на Всемирном молодежном совете 2018 года были опрошены по поводу их поддержки каждого из планов, предложенных Комиссией по пути вперед, то мы обнаружили следующее:

- 38,46% поддерживают традиционалистский план
- 60,58% поддерживают план Единой Церкви
- 19,23% поддерживают план Конференции по связям.
- 0.96% воздержались