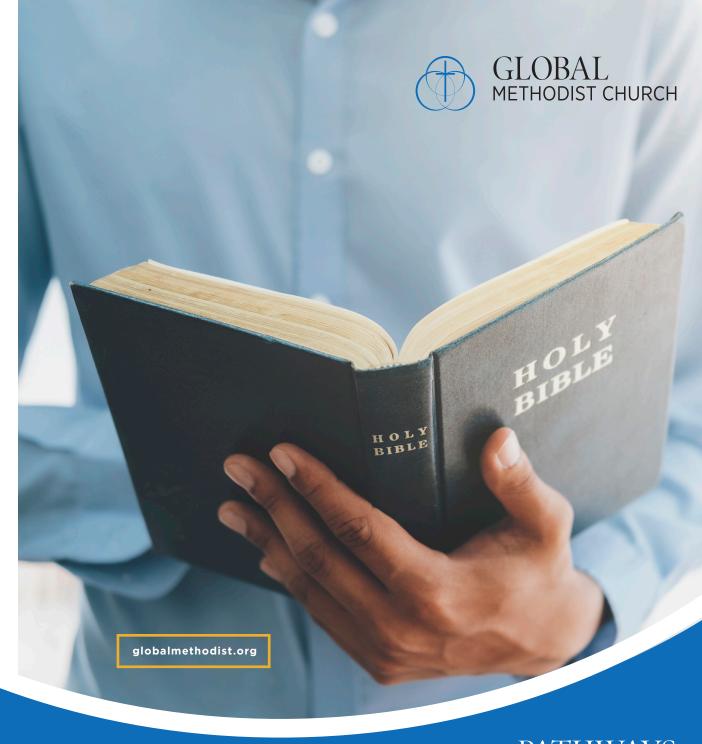
BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

Many people will become a member of the Global Methodist Church when their local church becomes a member congregation. However, some who want to join the Global Methodist Church will not immediately have a congregation available to join. Our Church is creating pathways for people to join as associate members of local churches in other communities, while they discern their options for forming a congregation in their own community. We believe faithfulness, prayer, patience, and sacrificial giving will lead to new local churches that will flourish and grow well into the future. We should never forget that every local congregation in Christian history started where two or three were gathered in His name.





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JOINING THE GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

New beginnings are rarely easy. We know some congregations will face obstacles as they navigate their way to the Global Methodist Church. For others, the transition will be fairly simple. Whatever the case, the Global Methodist Church will do all in its power to assist local churches that want to join! Furthermore, it will work to assist in the formation of new congregations for people who want to plant a new, local Global Methodist church.

We strongly encourage pastors and lay people who want to join the Global Methodist Church to visit **globalmethodist.org/nextsteps** to learn the actions necessary to become a member of a congregation. Pastors and lay leaders can also familiarize themselves with the Global Methodist Church's Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline, giving particular attention to *Part Three*. This book can be found online and downloaded by visiting **globalmethodist.org/what-we-believe**.

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