

United Methodist Church - Global Methodist Church Comparison

Item	UMC	GMC
Denominational Giving	11%-12%	1% General church , 3% South Carolina
Bishop term	Lifetime	Two, 6-year terms
Trust Clause	Conference owns property	Church owns property
Denomination Size	11.7 Million members globally	Thousand of churches and growing
Accountability	Bishops	Accountability at all levels of church
Accountability	No accountability for clergy	Abide by doctrine or will not get a church
Use of budget	Often difficult to follow the money	Transparent
Use of budget	Massive budgets many agencies	Identify effective existing missions, support them
Administration	Many layers, large headquarters	Very lean work out of homes
Decision making	Top down	Primarily made at church level
Clergy Appointment	Appointments guaranteed	Appointments are not guaranteed
Clergy Deployment	Appointed by Bishop	Pastor/Church agreement prior to appointment