

Mennonite Church USA Virtual Delegate Assembly FAQ

When is the virtual delegate session scheduled?

The virtual delegate session is scheduled for July 10, 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. EDT.

How do I register as a delegate?

Delegates will register for the convention as they have in the past. Delegates may register to attend the convention in person or virtually. As they register, they must indicate that they are a delegate.

<https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/>

What is the deadline for registration? July 1

Is there a cost to attend only the virtual delegate assembly?

Delegates need to register for MennoCon21, either to attend in person or online. Registration is \$325 to attend in person or \$99 to attend the virtual convention. Either option includes access to the virtual delegate session.

How will delegates access the virtual session?

Several days before the virtual session, all registered delegates will receive a Zoom meeting link. Be sure to download Zoom (<https://zoom.us/>) well before the session start time. Each delegate will need to log in to the meeting on their device (laptop, cell phone, tablet, etc.).

How will voting work in the virtual session?

Voting will be done via Zoom's polling feature, which is why each delegate needs to access the meeting on an individual device. Groups or couples CANNOT share a device. There is one vote per logged-in device.

How will delegates who are in Cincinnati participate in the virtual sessions?

Delegates who attend MennoCon21 in-person will still need to join on their own device. MC USA is working with the convention center to possibly provide a space for delegates to set up their device and join the session. Another option is to join from a coffee shop or hotel lobby.

When will the agenda and accompanying materials be available for delegates?

MC USA will distribute the agenda for the virtual sessions in early May. Leadership Discernment Committee nominations will also be distributed at that time.

When will the Membership Guidelines and other resolutions be discussed?

MC USA is looking at dates in 2022 to schedule an in-person delegate session to discuss additional resolutions. Please stay tuned for details.

How many delegates is my congregation allowed?

The bylaws of MC USA state:

- a. Each congregation of the Mennonite Church USA is eligible to send one (1) delegate for each one hundred (100) congregational members, or fraction thereof. Also, congregations may send an additional youth delegate (ages 16-21).
- b. Each area conference of the Mennonite Church USA is eligible to send one (1) delegate for each one thousand (1,000) area conference members, or fraction thereof. Also, conferences may send an additional two youth delegates (ages 16-21).
- c. Each Racial/Ethnic group which has been officially recognized by the Executive Board, may send three (3) delegates plus one (1) delegate for each one thousand (1,000) members of such recognized Racial/Ethnic group. Also, Racial/Ethnic groups may send an additional two youth delegates (ages 16-21).
- d. Each member of the Executive Board is automatically a delegate.