



Delegate Assembly 2023 Frequently Asked Questions

1. When and where is the 2023 Delegate Assembly meeting?

July 7, 8:30-5:30 p.m.

July 8, 8:30 a.m.-noon

Kansas City Convention Center, Kansas City, Missouri

2. Why is the 2023 Delegate Assembly meeting after MennoCon23 instead of during the convention?

This change is in response to delegate feedback. In post-event surveys, delegates said that they did not like having to choose between convention activities and delegate sessions.

3. Why is MennoCon always during a holiday week?

The holiday week allows more people to attend without taking extra vacation days from work. MC USA also gets a better rate on sleeping rooms by meeting during a holiday week.

4. What are the costs to attend the 2023 Delegate Assembly?

Delegates (and non-delegates) may register to attend both MennoCon23 and the Delegate Assembly for \$369 (\$399 after May 14).

For those delegates (and non-delegates) who will only be attending the Delegate Assembly, registration is required and is \$185 (\$195 after May 14).

Delegate Assembly lunch on July 7 is included for anyone registered to attend as a delegate or non-delegate.

Other expenses:

Lodging: \$130 per night at either the Crowne Plaza Downtown KC or the Marriott Downtown KC

Meals: Lunch is provided on July 7. All other meals are on your own.

5. How do I register?

Delegates should register here: <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/>

The deadline for registering for hotel rooms is June 12.

6. Will childcare be available?

Childcare is available on July 7 for infants and toddlers up to age 2 for the daily rate of \$30. No childcare is available on July 8.

7. Can I access the Delegate Assembly virtually?

Online participation will not be available.

8. How many delegates does my congregation/conference get?

The bylaws of MC USA state:

- 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).
- 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).
- 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).
- Each member of the Executive Board is automatically a delegate.

9. Are non-delegates able to attend?

Non-delegates may attend. We will have gallery seating for them. The registration system includes an option for non-delegate registration.

10. Do we need to have the same delegates we had in 2021 or 2022?

No, delegates do not have to be the same people that were delegates at any previous delegate session.

11. Are pastors automatically delegates?

No.

12. Are scholarship funds available?

The scholarship deadline was April 14. All scholarship recipients have been notified.