

## 2022 Members' Conference Resolution

It was recognized by the Elder's Conference in 2021 that the Church of Jesus Christ is in decline domestically, for many reasons. In many respects that decline has continued to this date. The Coordinating Council has done outstanding work in many areas to move forward the cause of Zion in the domestic field and throughout the world. Notwithstanding these efforts Christ's church continues to be disunified and failing to move forward as our Lord has challenged us to do. Many baptized members of the church have little voice in the needed activities of the church outside the branch level. Our youth participation seems to be dwindling as they appear to recognize that we speak of the two great commandments, yet we divide ourselves and do not always demonstrate the love that is expected of us. The leadership of the CRE is not explicitly authorized by charter to take the steps that seem to be necessary to move the church toward unity and inclusion.

Be it resolved that the Elders of this conference discuss with their branches, neighboring branches, groups, and individuals, so much as possible, the prospect of joining together in a membership conference on issues facing the church.

And further resolved that the Chairman of the CRE and members of the Coordinating Council be explicitly authorized and charged with the goal of organizing and scheduling a conference to take place no later than 18 months from the current date to discuss and take action on issues facing the Church. The delegates to the conference would come from the various branches that are credentialed as determined by the Coordinating Council. A delegate can include any member in good standing and would serve as authorized representatives of their respective branches. Voting members at the conference would also include all Restoration Elders on an ex-officio basis.

Restoration branches that would participate in this conference will be credentialed by the coordinating council and according to the Melchizedek credentials guidelines (amended 4/6/2010). The delegates to the conference would be determined by the branch where they have membership and would be determined by the branch by election or appointment. The delegate so chosen would serve as an authorized representative of their respective branches. Any conference action would finally go back to the branch for their support or disapproval. Voting members at the conference would include all restoration elders on an ex-officio basis and who have been themselves credentialed by the conference as in the current procedure.