



PRESBYTERY OF NORTH CENTRAL CALIFORNIA NOMINATION FORM
for Commissioners to the
226th GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING
June 25-July 4, 2024 in Salt Lake City, UT

Commissioners to the meeting of the 226th General Assembly in Salt Lake City, Utah and online, will be elected by the Presbytery of North Central California at the Stated Meeting on September 9th. At that time we will elect one ruling elder, one minister member, and one Young Adult Advisory Delegate (YAAD) and one alternate for each. **Note:** Young Adult Advisory Delegates must be between the ages of 17 and 23 on the date the assembly convenes and have the endorsement of their pastor and one member of Session.

In order to have this form distributed in advance, nominations must be received by the Stated Clerk on or before Friday, August 25th 2023. Please fill in this form and email it to the Stated Clerk at statedclerk@nccpresby.org. The form is also on the web site. Nominations will also be received from the floor (with the person's approval and this information shared at that time).

I/We nominate _____

of the _____ Church of _____, California,
for _____ Ruling Elder Commissioner _____ Minister Member Commissioner _____ YAAD
date of ordination or church membership for YAAD _____

has / has not previously been a commissioner / YAAD

This person is equipped to serve in this capacity because (include their service to the church at all levels, how they make decisions, and sense of call to serve in this way – no more than 200 words):

The candidate is aware of the responsibilities and expectations (see attached) in serving the 226th General Assembly, is willing to address the presbytery at the Sept. 9th meeting for no more than two minutes about their sense of call to serve and is willing to serve if elected.

Date _____ Signed _____

Printed name of person or Session making the nomination: _____

226th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church USA

GENERAL INFORMATION

The **Presbytery of North Central California** will send two commissioners (one Minister of Word and Sacrament and one Ruling Elder) as well as one Young Adult Advisory Delegate (YAAD).

The Work of Commissioners and Advisory Delegates

It is inspiring to be a part of historic decisions of the church, especially when we sense the Spirit has moved in the right direction; and even in those places and moments where there is disagreement with the actions of the Assembly, it is good to hear the different perspectives as the body seeks to gain more understanding. It is also an opportunity to hear stories of how God is moving all around the country and the world. It is inspiring and encouraging to hear good news and to join together in worship!

New Format

Next year's General Assembly will be structured differently than the one held in 2022.

Tuesday, June 25th brief online plenary session (procedural matters)

Tuesday – Thursday, June 27th committees meet online

Friday, June 28th report preparation

Saturday, June 29th travel day

Sunday, June 30th worship at neighboring churches and in person opening plenary

Monday, July 1st – Wednesday, July 3rd plenary sessions

Thursday, July 4th final plenary and adjournment

Each commissioner will be assigned to one of the committees (number depends on overtures submitted).

Time Commitment, Needed Skills & Equipment, Expectations

Being a Commissioner or YAAD is a wonderful opportunity to serve Christ's church and enrich your theological, social and spiritual life. However, it entails some hard work. There will be extensive advance preparation for the General Assembly, possibly as much as 80 hours of reading and study. You can expect to spend up to 12 hours each day (including breaks) in worship, plenary gatherings and other Assembly functions. Each day will begin with worship. Nearly all reports, agendas, dockets and other documents will primarily be available electronically. You will need the skills and electronic devices to access these materials. In addition to doing the advanced study, commissioners and the YAAD are expected to discern the will of Christ while gathered (which is different from our political representatives), to write a reflection on their General Assembly experience to be shared at an appropriate meeting of Presbytery and to speak upon request to forums, congregations, and Sessions. Expenses Transportation to the General Assembly, and room and board are reimbursed for commissioners and YAADS in accordance with General Assembly policy.

A Dependent Care Reimbursement Policy was developed for commissioners and advisory delegates to the General Assembly – beginning with the 222nd GA (2016). Follow this link for info:

<https://www.pcusa.org/resource/dependent-care-reimbursement-policy-commissioners/>

Elected or not, a willingness to serve and an openness to how the Spirit might be calling is appreciated.