

Proposed Motion for Consideration:

The Executive Committee of the Central Association brings forward for consideration at its Spring Meeting on May 17, 2025, a motion to conclude the Central Association and to join with the members and churches of the Southern California Nevada Conference in a unified Conference-Association Model.



Concluding the Ministry of the Central Association and Transferring Ecclesial Responsibilities to the Southern California Nevada Conference

Whereas, the Central Association has sought to fulfill its ecclesial roles and responsibilities with faithfulness; and

Whereas, in light of changing circumstances, it is prudent to facilitate a smooth transition of these roles and responsibilities to ensure sustained support of Local Churches within the Southern California Nevada Conference; and

Whereas, recognizing the value of shared resources, it is deemed fitting to allocate the remaining financial assets of the Central Association to further enrich and fortify the ministries within the Southern California Nevada Conference;

Therefore, be it resolved, that:

1. The ministry of the Central Association shall gracefully conclude, marking May 17, 2025, as the effective date of this transition.
2. The ecclesial roles and responsibilities, which have been previously held by the Central Association, shall now be entrusted to the Southern California Nevada Conference, with the transfer of Standing of Local Churches and Ministers taking immediate effect upon the passage of this motion.
3. All remaining financial assets of the Central Association shall be transferred to the Southern California Nevada Conference, for the expressed purpose of nurturing and empowering the ministries of the United Church of Christ.
4. The Southern California Nevada Conference, guided by a spirit of collaboration and faithfulness, shall thoughtfully allocate these financial assets to sustain and uplift ministries, including providing essential support such as cost-sharing contributions for Member in Discernment's psychological assessments and others seeking to pursue a call to serve in ministry.
5. In a spirit of unity and cooperation, the administrative bodies of both the Central Association and the Southern California Nevada Conference shall joyfully undertake all necessary actions to bring this motion into fruition, including the transfer of records, legal responsibilities, and financial assets.

Be it further resolved that the adoption of this motion by the gathered body of the Central Association shall signal its implementation and reflect the faith community's ongoing commitment to covenantal ministry with the Southern California Nevada Conference and the United Church of Christ.