

*Date: June 30th 2021*

*To: WSCF V-GA Delegates*

*Cc: WSCF Affiliated and Associated member movements, WSCF General Assembly Delegates, Executive Committee and Regional Committees, WSCF regional secretaries.*

*Re: Extraordinary Virtual General Assembly Preparations and Schedule*

*From: Marcelo Leites – General Secretary WSCF*

Esteemed Delegates,

Brothers and sisters,

Greetings from the World Student Christian Federation.

The purpose of this letter is to share with you the preparations for the Extraordinary Virtual General Assembly (V-GA) that will be held online from July 29 to July 31. This Assembly will only substitute the elections of the in-person General Assembly (GA) that will be held in 2022, which was already announced in a previous communication.

**As we communicated in Memo 2 of the V-GA “The WSCF Executive Committee has decided to hold the Virtual Extraordinary General Assembly (V-GA) between July 29 and July 31, 2021.”**

**A. Functions of the Extraordinary V-GA:**

- Election of the WSCF’s officers: a. Chairperson, b. Two Vice-Chairpersons and, c. Honorary Treasurer.<sup>1</sup>
- Installation of the newly elected Federation’s officers, ExCo and General Secretary

**B. V-GA Components:**

- Thematic Module: Keynote speech “Looking for Justice in a world that is in pain”
- The organization of a workshop/interactive toolkit jointly organized with the WSCF’s constitutional committee aimed to equip the movements in the preparation of constitutional amendments (V-GA Platform)
- Worship and Bible studies

**C. The Assembly will be held in a virtual modality.**

- Live sessions will be developed through Zoom video conference service, to be held from 29-31 July from 12-14 GMT each day. The sessions will be interpreted simultaneously into the official languages of the WSCF.
- The election process and all related documentation for the election, V-GA communication and acknowledgement of the Quorum will be organized through a virtual platform that the WSCF is developing on the wscf.ch website. All of the documentation will be available to V-GA Delegates beforehand, and the voting process will be operative after the official opening of the assembly on 29<sup>th</sup> July.

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<sup>1</sup> It shall "elect the four officers, regional members of the ExCo, approve or disapprove the candidacy of the General Secretary, (...)"  
(Art IV.1 WSCF Constitution Revised May 2017).

#### D. Virtual General Assembly Platform:

The Inter-regional office (IRO) along with the officers and the members of the Assembly Planning Committee (APC) are preparing the platform that best allows interaction during the days of the V-GA, and a video conference system that will be at the service of the delegates of the movements taking into account the different time zones, access to internet services and other technical needs in order to have an Assembly that is democratic and allows participation for all delegates.

During the V-GA days, the platform will be open for delegates, staff, members of committees and guests. Only delegates and other voting members (ExCo and officers) will be able to initiate the election process. Each delegate will be registered with their e-mail; the vote will be validated by the delegate email. The election process will be private and secret from any other members. For this to happen, the V-GA voting application will deliver the results of the V-GA but it won't provide the names or the votes. A credential committee will be appointed to ultimately validate the votes and to present to the V-GA moderator the results on 31 July, Plenary 2.

#### E. Virtual General Assembly Tentative Schedule (Only for Zoom live sessions) 12-14 GMT

Date/Time 12GMT	29 July / Day 1	30 July / Day 2	31 July / day three
20 Minutes	Opening Worship: 15-20'	Biblical Study: John 4:13-14 20' Responsive Prayer 5'	Biblical Study: Revelations 21:1-6 "New Heaven New Hearth" 20'
1.30 Minutes	Plenary I: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Welcome and Opening Address - WSCF acting Chairperson</li> <li>2. Roll Call (depending on the platform registration, including all the participants -nonvoting members as well)</li> <li>3. Adoption of the agenda</li> <li>4. Adoption of the rules of procedures</li> <li>5. Search committee Report / Nomination Committee Election opening.</li> <li>6. Official opening of the V-GA</li> </ol>	Thematic Module: Keynote Speech + Regional Testimonies "Looking for justice in a world that is suffering" 40' minutes Keynote Speaker 30' Regional testimonies 20' minutes questions from participants (3 - 5 questions)	Plenary II: Business session: Credential committee on elections results/outcomes General Secretary approbation. Installation of the New Officers and ExCom.

5 minutes	Closing Prayer (Worship Team) 5'	Closing Prayer	Inter-regional Closing prayer
30 Minutes.			37 <sup>th</sup> In-Person General Assembly: Host Committee Greetings and invitation. Closing prayer.

**NOTE:**

The final document of the Virtual General Assembly will be sent soon, the documentation will include:

The overall concept paper of the V-GA, the rules of procedures and election rules at the VGA platform.

The report of the Search Committee about Officers Candidates

The information package is related to all the logistics preparations for the virtual GA.

The V-GA platform registration procedure to each delegate, indicating how to register in the platform and the election application tutorial.

*In the upcoming days, delegates and other V-GA participants will receive an email with a V-GA platform registration link.*

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me and/or your regional secretary.

I greet you, wishing you Peace and Solidarity,



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