

**UNITED METHODIST EPISCOPAL AREA OF NORTH
KATANGA, TANGANYIKA AND TANZANIA**

NORTH KATANGA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SESSION 2021

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- To the President of the Council of Bishops;
 - Excellencies, the Bishops, members of the Central Conference College of Bishops;
 - Alternate Legal Representatives of the North Katanga, Tanganyika and Tanzania Episcopal Area;
 - District Superintendents of the North Katanga, Tanganyika and Tanzania Episcopal Area;
 - Secretary of the North Katanga Annual Conference;
 - Bishop of the North Katanga Annual Conference
 - Administrator of the North Katanga Annual Conference
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Reference: Indignation and Position of the Executive Committee of the North Katanga Annual Conference

To His Excellency, Bishop, President of the College of Bishops of the Congo Central Conference,

Excellency,

May the peace and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you and those whom you love.

Seeing the slanderous statements and repeated attacks that some members of our conference write and launch on social media, while the delegation of the North Katanga conference voted for the Traditional Plan at the St. Louis General Conference in 2019.

Knowing that the Discipline of the United Methodist Church, the Expanded Cabinet of Accra and the Discipline of the United Methodist Church of the Congo Central Conference 2020 edition keep the position of marriage between a man and a woman compatible with our context culture and the Holy Scriptures, all the contrary allegations, the discourteous remarks with regard to the Conference and its worthy Bishop and Legal Representative, the Rev. MANDE MUYOMBO only cause offense. In view of the above, the Methodist Church remains our church and its Book of Discipline remains our law by which the Methodist Church governs its affairs.

The Executive Committee, meeting in its ordinary session in Kamina from May 9 to 11, 2021 requests these brothers and sisters to follow the path of reason, dignity and conformance with the rules of conduct as it relates to our Christian association and our culture. Otherwise, the Executive Committee will be forced to take action and will do so on its own.

Additionally, the Conference Executive Committee urges members to let the Lord's Church advance quietly and have reverent regard for its Bishop.

In conclusion, the Executive Committee asks the other Annual Conferences, the Episcopal Areas and other Regions located here and there not to manipulate public opinion and our pastors under the Discipline in order to discourage the members and create confusion in our Annual Conference. We urge members of the North Katanga, Tanganyika and Tanzania region to remain in the love and unity of Christ. John 15: 9-15.

Done at Kamina, May 10, 2021
By the Executive Committee


Marcel Ngoy Kalenga
Secretary