



THE UNITING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

13 May 2025

TO ALL COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2025

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Today marks exactly 45 days before the start of the 16th General Assembly of the Uniting Presbyterian Church in Southern Africa. We are all looking forward to this in person gathering which has not happen in a long time. I suppose that all the arrangements for travelling and staying in Mthatha have been concluded, if not you are urged to do so without delay.

This letter serves to provide you with some of the information you will need as you prepare yourself for this General Assembly:

1. We have been warned that Mthatha can be extremely cold at that time. You are advised to bring **extra warm clothing and coats** to keep yourself warm and comfortable.
2. Whilst this will be an in person (physical) meeting, arrangements will be made for those few Commissioners who will be joining virtually. The Assembly Business Committee will soon be organizing at least three Dry Runs for every Commissioner (**whether joining in person or virtually**) to attend. This is due to the fact that all the voting during Assembly will be conducted electronically. Dates and time for these will be advised soon and you are urged to make every effort to join.
3. Standing Orders and ZOOM etiquette are attached here so that you start now to familiarize yourself with what will be happening at Assembly.
4. Assembly Papers are now being finalized and will be shared with you in few days time. Kindly note that the Constituting service with the Induction of the Moderator will be held on Saturday, 28 June 2025 at 14h00 and the General Assembly service will be on Sunday, 29 June 2025 at 09h00.
5. In case you are not sure of anything, please do not wait until too late to contact the Central Office for help with anything related to the 2025 General Assembly.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Mthatha.

Kind Regards

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