

**RESOLUTIONS OF THE 60TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GHANA BAPTIST
CONVENTION HELD FROM THE 22ND – 26TH AUGUST, 2023 AT THE BAPTIST
WOMEN'S RETREAT CENTRE, EJURA - ASHANTI**

We, the delegates of the 60th Annual Session of the Ghana Baptist Convention hereby resolve as follows:

DENOMINATIONAL ISSUES

1. That the guidelines on doctrinal aberrations on the operations of the underlisted charismatic gifts as presented by the Ministers' Conference be adopted as the denominational position of the Ghana Baptist Convention.
 - A. Use of the Anointing oil
 - B. Tongues Speaking
 - C. Praying against one's enemies
 - D. Clapping of hands during prayer
2. That the succession management and planning framework for leadership development within the Ghana Baptist Convention (GBC) and its institutions and organs produced by the GBC Secretariat in collaboration with the Institute of Emerging Leaders Africa (IELA) be adopted for implementation by the Convention Secretariat taking into consideration suggestions from delegates at the 60th Annual Session of the GBC.
3. That the Continuous Professional Development for Ministers of the GBC facilitated by IELA be considered by the Presidency of the GBC and the Executives of the Ministers' Conference for a way forward to be determined accordingly.
4. That the cloth for the 60th anniversary celebration be adopted as an additional national cloth of the Convention beyond the 60th anniversary celebration to be used by all GBC churches for all church related events deemed fit. The design of the cloth is subject to periodic changes by the Convention Secretariat.
5. That, like the 60th anniversary Bible quiz, such a quiz programme shall be run annually from the local level to the national level.
6. That, the GBC Presidency shall present the annual Convention theme in good time, and that local churches may contextualize these themes to address their local situations

7. That the Ministers' Conference mandatorily requires Ministers who are a minimum of five years to retirement, in consultation with their church leadership (Deacons and Church Council) to submit evidence of a succession plan for their replacement. This should form a part of the ministerial license renewal of exiting ministers.
8. Also, that, the Ministers' Conference should develop a basic succession planning template to guide all member churches of the Convention.
9. That, having regard to the presentation on the church statistics and the related discussions and recommendations, the Presidency of the GBC, as part of its revised strategic plan, develops a comprehensive evangelism, missions and discipleship strategy for the accelerated and steady growth of the Convention.
10. That the Presidency of the GBC commissions a team of professionals working in collaboration with the Estate Department of the Convention Secretariat and the project team to mobilize funds and resources for the redevelopment of the Baptist Women's Retreat Centre at Ejura (with immediate priority for the newly designed Juliana Adu-Gyamfi block).
11. That, in view of the closure of SBN TV, the collection of 1% of tithes and offerings from GBC local churches be curtailed.

NATIONAL ISSUES

12. That, Christians in public office ensure that their Christian virtues show in the way they carry out their work.
13. That, our political leadership seek to encourage leaders of sister African nations to work out peaceful ways of resolving the crisis in Niger.



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