

**Council of Elders Agenda
August 10-13, 2026**

*** Denotes Executive Session**

Monday, August 10

- 9 a.m. Welcome, approval of minutes of prior meetings and Council's approval of the current agenda. (Chairman)
- 9:10 a.m. President's report. (Elliott)
- 9:25 a.m. Operation manager report - MMS. (Myers)
- 9:55 a.m. Operation manager report - Media. (Delamater)
- 10:25 a.m. **Break**
- 10:40 a.m. Treasurer / Finance Operation Manager report. (Budge/Api)
- 11:10 a.m. Committee chairmen reports – Doctrine. (Sexton)
- 11:15 a.m. Committee chairmen reports – Education. (Dean)
- 11:20 a.m. Committee chairmen reports – Ethics. (Lee)
- 11:25 a.m. Committee chairmen reports – Media. (de Campos)
- 11:30 a.m. Committee chairmen reports – Roles and Rules. (Martin)
- 11:35 a.m. Committee chairmen reports – Strategic Planning & Finance including update to Discretionary Assistance Policy. (McNeely)
- Noon **Lunch**
- 1 p.m. Five-year forecast / capital planning framework. (Budge)
- 2 p.m. Key operating statistics. (Lee)
- 2:30 p.m. * Hiring decision. (Api/Budge)
- 3 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. * Treasurer update – Compensation Committee. (Budge)
- 4 p.m. * Ordination/credentialing/hiring. (Myers)
- 5 p.m. Meeting conclusion.
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner with home office staff.

Tuesday, August 11

- 8:30 a.m. Church building policy discussion. (Pebworth)
- 9 a.m. Doctrine Committee - remand process document review. (Sexton)
- 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 a.m. Policy on song leaders. (Martin)
- 11:05 a.m. Strategic Plan/Operation Plan monitoring dashboard. (Eddington)
- 11:35 a.m. Benefiting from Council alumni. (de Campos)
- Noon **Lunch (Council Photo)**
- 1 p.m. Conflict of interest proposal. (Light)
- 2 p.m. * Building purchase proposal. (Myers/Building Review Team)
- 3 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. * Populating committees. (Martin)
- 3:45 p.m. * Council norms discussion. (Pebworth)
- 4:15 p.m. * Ethics Committee matters. (Lee)
- 5:45 p.m. **Dinner**

Wednesday, August 12

- 8 a.m. Sabbatical program. (McNeely)
- 9 a.m. Roles and Rules policy reviews. (Martin)
- 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 a.m. Council of Elders job description. (Martin)
- 11:15 a.m. Good Works proposal. (McNeely/Budge)
- Noon **Lunch**
- 1 p.m. Review of Fundamental Belief on military service and war. (Ashley)
- 3 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. * Legal update including Burundi status. (Pastor)
- 4:15 p.m. * Italian senior pastor / national board discussion. (Light)
- 4:45 p.m. * President discussion with the Council. (Elliott)
- 5:30 p.m. **Dinner**

Thursday, August 13

- 8 a.m. * Ballot on ordination requests. (Myers)
- 8:30 a.m. * Meeting highs/lows – ways to improve. (All)
- 9 a.m. Review marriage paper. (Dean)
- 10 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. Review marriage paper continued. (Dean)
- 10:45 a.m. Discussion of marriage conventions in Europe. (Elliott/Dean)
- 11:15 a.m. Determine date of the 2029 General Conference of Elders annual meeting.
(Eddington)
- 11:25 a.m. Unfinished business and review of resolutions. (Pebworth)
- 12 p.m. Adjourn meeting. (Chairman)