

## **Cabinet Policy for Mandatory Events**

It is the value of the Florida Conference to maintain the highest expectation of clergy to participate in events planned by the Cabinet and the Presiding Elders of Districts as a part of the covenantal communion that exists among clergy as described in the *Book of Doctrines and Discipline*. It is assumed that clergy will attend gatherings that have been announced by the Cabinet or Presiding Elders. The following policies are intended for those special events that are planned by the President *pro tempore* and the Cabinet because of unique missional, legal, or polity responsibilities of the Florida Conference.

- 1. The event must focus on a matter that we understand to be of key missional, polity, or legal importance to the annual conference. The Cabinet must be clear about the desired impact and consequences of the event and/or information that is shared.
- 2. The Cabinet must be clear about the consequences for non-participation. Unavoidable conflicts will be negotiated with the Presiding Elder.
- 3. The Cabinet will be involved in the planning, and willing to experience the event, before determining that it would be mandatory.
- 4. The event must be of the highest quality.

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