



# Ethiopia Nazrawiyan Annual conference of GMC

Six month ministry report (January 1, 2026 to June 2026)

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## 1. Introduction

The Ethiopian Nazrawiyan Annual Conference (ENAC) of the GMC is committed to advancing the Kingdom of God in Ethiopia through the preaching of the good news, winning souls, making disciple and teaching sound biblical teaching.

During the reporting period from January 1 to June 30, 2026, ENAC continued to carry out its mission through evangelism, church planting, discipleship, leadership development, compassion ministries, and pastoral care. The following report presents the major ministry activities, achievements, challenges, financial report and future plan of the Ethiopian Nazrawiyan Annual Conference during the past six months.

## 2. Major accomplished activities

Over the past six months, ENAC has carried out remarkable activities and delivered outstanding results in the advancement of the kingdom, as outlined below:

### 2.1. Education and Training ministry

The Conference is dedicated to teach biblical doctrine, equipping ministers for effective ministry, and cultivating believers to become faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. To fulfill this mission, the Conference organized and facilitated the following training programs during the reporting period.

#### History Makers Module Two Training:

History Makers Module Two Training: The Conference conducted the History Makers Module Two Training as part of the Annual Pastors' Conference held in Adama. The three-day training was facilitated by trainers from the Great Lakes, Heartland, and Nazrawiyan Conferences of the Global Methodist Church (GMC) and was attended by more than 270 participants, including pastors, church leaders, ministry coordinators, prayer team members, and other ministry workers. All participants had previously completed History Makers Module One at the district or local church level. This training demonstrates the Conference's strong commitment to teaching sound biblical doctrine, developing faithful disciples, and equipping ministers for effective Kingdom ministry.



*Picture 1: History maker's module 2 training*

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Following the training, pastors and Presiding Elders began cascading the History Makers program to district and local church ministry coordinators, as well as church members across the Conference. This ongoing effort is expanding the training's impact and strengthening biblical discipleship at all levels of the church. The training has inspired and equipped participants to defend the Christian faith, faithfully advance the Kingdom of God, practice biblical stewardship, and pursue lives of holiness.

### Training for 2026 Candidates of ordination:

In accordance with the church's doctrine and traditions, the Conference organized a five-day training program for candidates nominated by their respective district assemblies who had met the requirements for ordination. The training covered essential courses, including Church History, Old and New Testament Surveys, Wesleyan Holiness Theology, and Pastoral Care and Counseling. Upon completion of the training, the candidates' knowledge and readiness for ordination were assessed through a comprehensive final examination, ensuring they met the required ministerial standards.



*Picture 2: Training for ordination candidates*

**Other Ministry Trainings:** In addition to the History Makers program, the Conference conducted a variety of capacity-building trainings for church leaders, ministry coordinators, and local church members across several districts. The trainings covered topics such as Growing Leaders, Biblical Teaching on Tithes, Offerings, and Stewardship, Church Planting and Evangelism, Women's and Children's Ministry, Bible Reading and Prayer, and other essential biblical teachings. These one- and two-day training sessions were conducted in the Semen Bench, Omo, Aleta Selam, Debub Bench, west central and Shei Bench districts, strengthening the leadership and spiritual growth of local churches throughout the Conference by the districts initiative.



*Picture 3: Leadership training*

**Disciple making and Church Multiplication Training:** The Conference Education and Training Department team participated in a five-day Discipleship Making and Church Multiplication Training organized by the GMC Africa Region Kingdom Advancement Commission in Nairobi. The training significantly strengthened the team's capacity and inspired them to cascade the program throughout the Conference. Following the training, the department developed a comprehensive cascading plan and submitted it to the Global and Africa Region Kingdom Advancement Commission leaders for review and approval. Upon receiving approval and financial support from the Commission, the Conference will begin cascade the training at the district and local church levels.

Overall, the Conference remains committed to equipping the next generation of the church and promoting biblical discipleship to advance the Kingdom of God.



*Picture 4: Discipleship and church multiplication training at Nairobi*

## 2.2. Ordination

In accordance with the church's doctrine and traditions, the Conference ordained 28 elders and 2 deacons during the Annual Pastors' Conference held in Adama. The ordination service was led by GMC Africa Bishop Kimba Evariste, together with clergy from the Great Lakes, Heartland, and Nazrawiyan Conferences. All ordinands had been approved by their respective district assemblies and successfully completed the required ministerial training and coursework. The ordination was conducted in accordance with the Global Methodist Church's Book of Discipline, doctrine, and liturgical traditions.



*Picture 5: Ordination*

## 2.3. Evangelism and Church planting

**Evangelism:** One of the Conference's major priorities during the past six months has been reaching Unreached People Groups (UPGs) through evangelism and church planting, in line with the Great Commission and the Conference's vision of planting 100 churches annually. Evangelistic activities were carried out consistently at both the district and local church levels through public and marketplace outreach, house-to-house visitation of the backslidden believers, compassionate ministries, and the Jesus Film ministry. As a result of these evangelistic efforts, 21,214 people heard the Gospel, and 357 individuals accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior. The Shei Bench, Bansa Bona, Dehub Bench, Omo, Central, South Omo, and South Central districts made significant contributions to this remarkable achievement through their strong commitment to evangelism.

The Jesus Film Ministry continued to be one of the Conference's most effective evangelistic strategies for reaching unreached people groups with the Gospel. During the reporting period, 158 individuals accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior through the Jesus film ministry.

Despite these encouraging results, several districts reported that the limited availability of Jesus Film equipment constrained their ability to expand the ministry and reach more communities. To increase the ministry's impact, the Conference is seeking additional Jesus Film equipment with the goal of providing at least two sets to each district. The detailed achievements of the Jesus Film Ministry are presented below.

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S.N	Name of Districts	Presentation place	Presentation date	Addressed people	Received Jesus
	Bensa Bina	Abay Genet	11/2/26	261	2
		Chicho Genet	23/2/26	548	15
		Bona	07/3/26	200	3
		Beshiro Dalo	26/3/26	350	4
		Oda Halo	38/4/26	120	2
		Boreta Odako	23/5/26	250	10
	Dehub Bench	Menkir	15/4/26	75	4
	South central	Hawasa 7 <sup>th</sup> camp	8/4/26	172	2
		Hawas central	12/4/26	67	17
		Dereba	4/5/26	81	1
		Ieku	28/5/26	92	1
	Central	Intoto	10/04/26	700	2
	Shei Bench	Jaj	13/3/26	892	13
		Cheda	15/3/26	1003	11
		Bata	16/4/26	1661	9
		cis	19/4/26	976	8
		Zhazh	12/4/26	1527	10
		Cheda	13/4/26	3346	7
		Bata	15/4/26	3530	11
		Werga	20/5/26	410	5
		Durin	21/5/26	368	6
		M/fre	22/5/26	3005	7
		Dimota	23/5/26	790	5
		Zilo	24/5/26	790	3
	South Omo	Aleze	2/6/26	200	3
		Asho	22/4/26	15	2
		Boshkoro	26/4/26	630	3
				21,214	158

Table 1: Jesus film ministry the past six months by districts



Picture 6: Jesus film presentation

**Church planting movement:** Church Planting: Church planting remains one of the Conference's highest priorities in fulfilling the Great Commission. As part of its vision to plant 100 healthy, reproducing churches each year, the Conference continues to promote church multiplication through intentional discipleship, the deployment of church planters and local missionaries, and multiplication strategies.

During the past six months, the Conference planted 17 new churches, with a significant contribution from the Aleta selam, bensa bona, central, debub bech, south omo and aleta Chuko Districts. The church planting movement will continue to expand through these strategic initiatives. According to the district reports, the church planting achievements are as follows:

- Bensa Bona district planted: 3 churches.
- Debub bench district planted: 2 churches
- South central district planted: 3 churches
- Aleta selam district planted: 4 churches
- Central district planted: 3 churches
- South omo district planted: 1 church
- Aleta chuko ditrict planted: 1 church

#### **2.4. Discipleship ministry**

Disciple making ministry is also the heart of the Great Commission, through which Jesus called the Church to make disciples of all nations. As a foundational ministry, it plays a vital role in advancing the Kingdom of God, nurturing believers toward spiritual maturity, and encouraging lives of biblical holiness. By prioritizing discipleship, the Conference is equipping the next generation of faithful Christian leaders and ensuring sustainable growth in the life and mission of the Church.

To strengthen discipleship, the Conference has consistently implemented intentional disciple-making strategies through Bible study, a series of training programs, Holy Communion, fellowship, corporate worship, and shared meals. These activities are conducted regularly across the Conference to nurture believers in their faith and spiritual maturity. During the reporting period, many church members participated in Bible studies on the books of Ephesians, 1 Timothy, and 1 Corinthians, attended discipleship and leadership training programs, partook in the sacraments, and actively engaged in worship and fellowship. These ongoing efforts continue to develop faithful and mature disciples of Jesus Christ while strengthening the spiritual life of the Church.

#### **2.5. Church visiting:**

During the past six months, the Conference Superintendent and ministry coordinators conducted pastoral visits to the Omo, Southwest, South Omo, and West Central districts, providing encouragement, supervision, and support to church leaders and local congregations.

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Likewise, Presiding Elders and district leaders regularly visited their respective local churches, with particular attention to newly planted churches, to strengthen their ministries, encourage believers, and promote the healthy growth and unity of the churches.



*Picture 7: south omo and omo local Churches visiting*

### **2.6.District and local church supports**

During the reporting period, the Annual Conference provided both financial and spiritual support to strengthen district and local church ministries. Financial assistance included ETB 150,000 for iron sheets and labor costs for the Kure and Muzeum local churches in the South Omo District, as well as support for chairs and a sound system for the Woliso Local Church in the Central District. Additional financial contributions were also provided to support the construction of the Sodera and Limmu Shai local churches.

Furthermore, the Annual Conference also provided administrative and legal support to the Southwest and Omo districts in addressing court cases involving external the so called “International” groups. The Conference worked closely with district presiding elders by following

up on the legal proceedings, facilitating the necessary processes, and providing guidance and support to protect the interests and ministries of the local churches.

In addition to financial assistance, the Conference offered spiritual support by sending ministers from Addis Ababa to serve, encourage, and strengthen the congregations of Limmu Shai (West Central District) and Asheker (South Omo District), demonstrating its continued commitment to the growth and sustainability of local church ministries.

### 2.7. Annual Pastors and revival conferences

The Annual Pastors Conference was preceded by two-day revival conferences held in three districts: Central, South Central, and Aleta Chuko. During these gatherings, the Heartland and Great Lakes teams preached the Gospel and encouraged local congregations before the pastors' training began. As part of the revival conferences, the Annual Pastors' Conference was one of the major gatherings, bringing together pastors, Presiding Elders, ministry coordinators, and other church leaders. The conference was held in Adama with a vibrant celebration that accompanied by the History Makers Module Two Training, business meeting, and the ordination ceremony.

The gathering was a spiritually inspiring and encouraging event that glorified God and strengthened the unity and mission of the Global Methodist Church (GMC). Various ministers and servants of God from the Great Lakes and Heartland Conferences, as well as other sister denominations, participated through teaching, preaching, and ministry service, enriching the overall objective of the conference.

The conferences brought great joy to the GMC Global team as they witnessed the vibrant spiritual movement taking place within the local churches and hundreds of pastors of the Ethiopian Nazrawiyan Annual Conference. Likewise, local church members were delighted to welcome and fellowship with the GMC team at the local level.



Picture 7: Annual Pastors conference

In addition to the Annual Pastors' Conference, various revival conferences were organized by district and local church leaders to strengthen unity, encourage believers, and promote spiritual renewal among church members. Among the revival gatherings conducted during the reporting period were those held at Limmu Shai and Bedele Local Churches in the West Central District, Bona Local Church in the Bensa Bona District, and Asheker Local Church in the South Omo District. These revival conferences contributed to spiritual growth, fellowship, and the strengthening of the Church's mission at the local level.



*Picture 8: District conference at Aleta Chuko*

## **2.8. Women, children and youth ministry**

The Women, Children, and Youth Ministries continue to conduct their regular weekly and monthly gatherings. Each ministry has its own approach to spiritual growth, fellowship, teaching, and mutual learning. While the schedule varies across districts, women generally meet on a monthly basis, whereas children and youth gather weekly. At the local church level, each ministry is led by a dedicated coordinator who plans and coordinates activities in close consultation with the church pastor. Although the Women, Children, and Youth Ministries regularly implement their weekly and monthly programs, there is a need to strengthen coordination and collaboration across all levels. Bringing together local church ministry coordinators at the district level, as well as district coordinators at the national level, would provide valuable opportunities for experience sharing, mutual learning, leadership development, and spiritual encouragement.

To address this gap, plans are underway at national level to strengthen these ministries by providing capacity-building training for ministry coordinators and organizing annual Women, Youth, and Children's Conferences at both the district and national levels. These initiatives will promote church unity, equip ministry leaders for more effective service, and encourage and empower the next generation to advance God's Kingdom.



*Picture 9: women empowerment training during annual pastor's conference*

### **2.9. Companionate ministry**

The Compassion Ministry serves as an important means of reaching unreached communities and demonstrating God's love and care to vulnerable people and neighboring communities. Over the past six months, two major compassion initiatives were carried out. One significant initiative was led by the Bensa Bona District, where church leaders constructed and renovated homes for poor and vulnerable families. This act of compassion had a positive impact on the community, encouraging many people to connect with the local church.

The second major compassion initiative was the provision of emergency food assistance to communities affected by the landslide in Gacho Baba Woreda, Gamo Zone, Southern Ethiopia. The support was made possible through funding received from the GMC Kingdom Advancement Commission's Humanitarian Assistance Office. Following the approval of the project proposal, representatives of the National Connectional Council traveled to the area and distributed 100 quintals of wheat flour to affected families.

This compassion ministry not only provided much-needed relief to the disaster-affected community but also strengthened the witness and reputation of the church. In particular, it enhanced the image of the Omo District among local government officials, community leaders, and the wider community, demonstrating the church's commitment to serving people in times of need through the love of Christ. Therefore, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the GMC leadership, especially Bishop Scott Jones, as well as the Regional Director, Simon Mafunda, and his entire team, for their generous support, encouragement, and commitment to advancing God's Kingdom through these compassionate initiatives.



*Picture 10: Food assistance for landslid affected community of the Gamo Zone.*

### **3. Church statistics:**

The conference continued experiencing encouraging growth during the reporting period. The number of local churches increased from 218 to 235, reflecting the significant impact of the conference's evangelism and church planting movement. Likewise, church membership grew to 30,804, an increase of 357 members compared to the previous year's report.

### **4. Challenge encountered**

- The opposing groups called themselves “International” attempting to create division within the church by misleading members and influencing some pastors and providing pocket money to some weak individuals.
- Shortage of music and sound equipment for newly planted churches.
- Lack of Jesus Film equipment for evangelistic outreach.
- The global fuel shortages limited pastoral visits, supervision, and ministry outreach.

Despite these challenges, the church remained committed to advancing its mission through prayer, collaboration, and trusting God to provide wisdom and strength for overcoming every obstacle.

### **5. Testimony**

Three newly planted churches in the South Omo District have demonstrated remarkable growth, baptizing 56 new believers within just three months of their establishment. This encouraging result reflects the effectiveness of the church planting and evangelism efforts of the south omo district.



*Picture 11: South Omo: 56 New Believers Receive Water Baptism*

## 6. Next time plan

- Reach unreached people groups through diverse and effective evangelism strategies.
- Strengthen the church planting movement and expand disciple-making efforts.
- Cascade Disciple-Making and Church Multiplication training to pastors, church planters, and ministry leaders.
- Conduct annual district assemblies to strengthen governance, fellowship, and ministry coordination.
- Carry out regular visits to local churches and districts to provide supervision, encouragement, and pastoral support.
- Promote the church's self-reliance by mobilizing local resources and cultivating a mindset of stewardship and ownership among church leaders and pastors.
- Strengthen quarterly district-level gatherings for worship, fellowship, and spiritual encouragement, and organize revival conferences at both the local church and district levels to promote unity and spiritual renewal.

## 7. Financial report

S.N	Cost description	Amount in USD	Remark
1	<b>Annual Pastors conference</b>		
	Conference preparation costs (T-shirt, banners, prayer team's food and gallery walks printing, camera and video, gifts and etc)	3,671.12	
	Children Bible	422.08	
	Training manual printing	2,824.68	
	Clergy Clothes	3,505.19	
	Transportation cost for coming to the training center	12,987.01	
	Meal and accommodations of the participants	25,888.64	
	District level conferences cost	912.64	
	A 5 days training cost for candidates of ordination	2,944.37	
2	Pastors ministry support	8,766.23	
3	Jesus film ministry support	1,168.83	
4	District and local church construction and ministry support	10,064.94	
5	District and Local Churches Visit	1,948.05	
6	Salary/stipends	10,893.38	
7	Head office running cost	4,431	
		90,428.16	

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