Item 201

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**Action:** The Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church approved the following groups or organizations to be designated as having Conference Advance Special Status. The Conference Advance Special program exists to enable persons and churches to support mission and ministry projects within the bounds of the Minnesota Annual Conference and world-wide where there is a Minnesota UMC missional connection. Advance Specials are ministries, institutions and agencies that are a specific mission project or a specific mission project of a broader mission agency, which requires support beyond the capabilities of its parent ministry.

Camping:	
Camp Minnesota Koronis Ministries Northern Pines Kowakan	Minneapolis MN Paynesville MN Park Rapids MN Ely MN
Camperships (camp scholarships)	Minneapolis MN
Fellowships:	
Grace Korean United Methodist Fellowship	Duluth MN
Mankato Korean Fellowship	Mankato MN
Faith Vietnamese Fellowship	Eden Prairie MN
Campus Ministries:	
Wesley Foundation, University of Minnesota	Minneapolis MN
Wesley Foundation, MN State University Mankato	Mankato MN
New Church Starts:	
	Minus and Pa MAN
Recovering Love	Minneapolis MN
The Grove	Cottage Grove MN
All Peoples	Inver Grove Hts MN
Iglesia Piedra Viva	Minneapolis MN
The Beloved	St Paul MN
Community	St Michael MN
Rapha Temple	St Paul MN
New Community	Lino Lakes MN
Filippino Byanhean Fellowship	Minneapolis MN
Cristo En Tu Ayuda	Worthington MN
MSP Casa de Naciones Hispanic	Minneapolis MN
Unique Missional Settings:	
La Puerta Abierta	St. Paul MN

Other ministries:	
START Senior Solutions (Formerly ApparentPlan)	Eden Prairie MN
Bountiful International	St. Paul MN
Center for Victims of Torture	St. Paul MN
Dignity Center	Minneapolis MN
Minnesota Earthkeepers	
Emma Norton Services	St. Paul MN
Feed My Starving Children	Coon Rapids MN
Gathering House Ministries	Owatonna MN
Harbor House Crisis Center	Superior WI
Imara International	Kenya
Laos Coalition	Minneapolis MN
Mankato Holy Grounds	Mankato MN
Midwest Missions Distribution Center	Chatham IL
Mobile Ministry	Lake Kabetogama MN
Mobility Worldwide (formerly PET)	Maple Grove MN
Mounds Park Community Ministries	St. Paul MN
Multicultural Ministry	Minneapolis MN
OC Ministries	Minneapolis MN
Project AgGrad	Golden Valley MN
Se Luz Ministries	Plymouth MN
Simpson Center for Servant Ministries	Minneapolis MN
Simpson Housing Services	Minneapolis MN
Small Sums	St. Paul MN
South Side United Methodist Coalition	Minneapolis MN
Spirit River Foundation	Isanti MN
Vietnam Coalition	Minneapolis MN
Volunteer Lawyers Network	Minneapolis MN
The Wesley Meal	Minneapolis MN
World Beat Connection	Minneapolis MN

**Relationship to the Scriptural Imperatives and Rationale:** Conference policies require the Annual Conference Advance Special status designations be approved at each annual conference session. Contact information for these ministries will be available on the conference website or by contacting the Mission Promotion Team.

**Implementation:** Mission Promotion Team, Council on Finance and Administration.

**Outcome:** Churches of the Minnesota Annual Conference will have the opportunity to support and become involved in mission with a variety of significant ministries that are reaching and helping new people.

**Resources required and potential financial impact:** Mailing labels or email list for churches will be provided (upon request to the designated group or organization).