



WOMEN'S MISSIONARY FEDERATION

In 2009 the WMF became incorporated under the AFLC Coordinating Committee ([you can find details HERE](#)). At that time Articles of Incorporation were created and the WMF by-laws were updated, but since that time the Articles of Incorporation and updated by-laws were forgotten and a less-detailed Constitution and By-laws of the WMF ([which we have available on our website](#) until June 1) became the only known document that the national WMF Board was working from. In the fall of 2025, the Board was made aware of the Articles of Incorporation and 2009 By-laws and we set out to reconcile all our documents so that they would include the legal things necessary but stay faithful to how the WMF actually functions. We worked with the AFLC Coordinating Committee on this project and during the business meeting of our National Convention (WMF Day) on June 10, 2026, in Moorhead, MN, we will be presenting the updated WMF Constitution and By-laws. In order to allow preparation for possible discussion on this update, we are providing the [updated document HERE](#), as well as providing the other documents used which may help everyone better understand the process.

Sometimes the Articles of Incorporation will be referenced—[you can find the WMF Articles of Incorporation HERE](#).

The 2009 By-laws has been our actual legal document and so much of the wording in that document needed to be preserved in the updated document—[you can find the 2009 WMF Bylaws HERE](#).

The 2022 version includes some amendments that have been made since 2009 as well as wording that is most appropriate to how the WMF functions—we have attempted to keep as much of that wording as possible and [you can find the 2022 WMF Constitution and Bylaws HERE](#).

In order to help you see our process, we are including our [2026 EDITING Version HERE](#). This document starts with the 2022 version, uses red text to indicate what is taken from the 2009 Bylaws or updated for consistency/clarity, uses strikethrough to indicate wording that has been removed (usually because it would be redundant or is unnecessary for our context) or moved, and blue text to add comments that may help in understanding why certain decisions were made or where content was moved to.

Again, the current, updated [WMF Constitution and Bylaws 2026 can be found HERE](#).

If anyone would like printed copies of any of these documents, please contact Executive Secretary, Jenn Thorson, before May 26 at wmfcomm@aflc.org or 605-521-3677 (work).

Any questions regarding the WMF Constitution and By-laws can be directed to 2nd Vice President, Liz McCarlson, who has been the point person on this project: elizabeth.mccarlson@gmail.com or 763-545-5631 (work).

WMF Board of Directors,

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