



## Q & A About GA - June 19-23, Spokane, WA

That's the General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association! Note: The Most Important Answers are at <https://www.uua.org/ga>. Head there for a wealth of resources!!

**What is GA and why is it important?** **General Assembly** is the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association. Anyone may attend! Most GA events will take place in the Spokane Convention Center. Attendees worship, witness, learn, connect, and (for delegates) make policy for the Association through the democratic process. For more information, see [delegatesupport@uua.org](mailto:delegatesupport@uua.org).

Registration and Housing reservations open March 1. UUA Financial aid applications will be available that day as well. In addition, MDUUC has raised funds which will be available for some church members attending GA.

**Can I be a delegate?** Because we now have over 500 members, MDUUC may have 11 voting delegates. Delegates must be **voting members** (adult or youth, ages 14-18) of the church, and should demonstrate some involvement with our community. By tradition, our delegates are not instructed how to vote, but are encouraged to attend forums in advance at MDUUC and to participate in discussions at GA.

**Can I be an at-home delegate?** Off-site delegate registration provides an alternative way to participate in the business the UUA when a delegate cannot physically attend GA. Using a telephone and a computer with high-speed access to the Internet, off-site delegates participate in the Plenary business sessions and mini-assemblies right along with the delegates who are on-site.

**How do I become a delegate?** Look for applications by late January (see This Week at MDUUC for details). The deadline for applications will be in February, and the board will make the final selections before March 1. Applications will be submitted to the Denominational Connections Committee. For further information, contact [DenomCon@mduuc.org](mailto:DenomCon@mduuc.org).

**What about children and youth?** GA provides lots of activities and opportunities for children and youth <https://www.uua.org/ga/program/childrens-programs> and <https://www.uua.org/ga/registration/youth>

