

# Operator Troubleshooting

## Missed pre-genesis

If you missed setting up as a validator pre-genesis, this means you must set up to become one post-genesis. It is not possible to add pre-genesis validators once the chain has been launched (as by definition). Instead, any full-node can become a validator through self-bonding NAM tokens.

## CometBFT

When facing CometBFT issues as a validator, the most common cause of the issue is that we are running the wrong version of CometBFT. Keep an eye on the testnet docs [here](#)

Note that the common debug statement `Error reconnecting to peers` does not mean that your node is not working properly. Instead, it means there exists at least one validator on the network not working properly. To check whether this is a problem on your end, note the block height and see if it corresponds to the blockheight at <https://namada.world> ([opens in a new tab](#))

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