

Summary of Congregational Statistics as of December 31, 2015

Summary of Membership Statistics	2014	2015	Change	Percent	Averages per Congregations Reporting
Total Number of Congregations	9,392	9,320	-72	-0.77	
Baptized Members	3,765,362	3,668,034	-97,328	-2.58	399.35
Confirmed Members	2,868,102	2,803,450	-64,652	-2.25	306.56
Analysis of Membership Gains and Losses					
Baptized Members—Accessions					
By Baptism—Children under Age 16	42,820	41,055	-1,765	-4.12	
By Baptism—Adults Age 16 and Older	4,362	3,975	-387	-8.87	
By Affirmation of Faith	37,936	35,834	-2,102	-5.54	
By Transfer	48,267	39,487	-8,780	-18.19	
From Other Sources and Statistical Adjustments	15,768	14,587	-1,181	-7.49	
Total Accessions—Baptized Members	149,153	134,938	-14,215	-9.53	
Baptized Members—Losses					
By Death	39,581	39,123	-458	-1.16	
By Transfer	34,656	32,390	-2,266	-6.54	
From Other Sources and Statistical Adjustments	164,344	146,634	-17,710	-10.78	
Total Losses—Baptized Members	238,581	218,147	-20,470	-8.57	
Baptized Members—Confirmed	37,004	33,968	-3,036	-8.20	
Active Participants	2,397,606	2,327,502	-70,104	-2.92	
Congregation Description (Averages)					
<i>Range: Hardly at All(1) - Very Well(5)</i>					
a. Worship Nurtures People's Faith	4.46				
b. Clear Sense of Mission	3.81				
c. Excitement About the Future	3.80				
d. Positive Force in the Community	4.46				
e. Ready to Try Something New	3.49				
f. Works for Social Justice/Advocacy	3.18				
g. Helps Deepen Relationship with God	4.11				
Congregation Strengths (Averages)					
<i>Range: Poor(1) - Great(5)</i>					
a. Building Member Relationships	3.87				
b. Incorporating Newcomers	3.64				
c. Seeking/Using Member Gifts	3.57				
d. Equipping Members to Share Faith	3.19				
e. Addressing Social Concerns	4.02				
f. Managing Disagreements	3.60				
g. Interacting with Local Community	3.90				
h. Live Out Faith in Their Daily Lives	3.81				

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Summary of Financial Statistics

Totals—End of Year	2014	2015	Change	Percent	Avg./Congregation
Total Receipts	2,425,578,399	2,464,222,611	38,644,212	1.59	266,229.75
Total Disbursements	2,419,360,714	2,457,828,454	38,467,740	1.59	265,711.18
Total Indebtedness on December 31	1,608,056,113	1,619,208,424	11,152,311	0.69	544,454.75
Average Total Giving per Baptized Member	541.63	558.32	16.69	3.08	Congregations with no debt
Average Total Giving per Confirmed Member	711.08	730.50	19.42	2.73	68.16%

Detail of Financial Statistics

Receipts for Regular Operation

Regular Giving by Members	1,752,677,614	1,755,747,689	3,070,075	0.18
Designated Giving by Members	286,760,111	292,179,422	5,419,311	1.89
Earned Income (Any Source)	151,701,378	164,436,811	12,735,433	8.40
Grants (Any Source)	24,562,751	27,996,622	3,433,871	13.98
Other Receipts	209,876,545	223,862,067	13,985,522	6.66

Disbursements for Regular Operation

					Percent of Total Disbursements
Current Operating Expenses	1,803,579,816	1,824,485,333	20,905,517	1.16	74.26
Capital Improvements	166,193,244	186,464,307	20,271,063	12.20	7.59
Payment on Debts	172,071,712	172,753,226	681,514	0.40	7.03
Mission Support	99,364,601	97,942,700	-1,421,901	-1.43	3.99
Non-Mission Support Benevolences	107,222,156	107,101,553	-120,603	-0.11	4.36
Other Expenses	69,471,750	68,013,213	-1,458,537	-2.10	2.77

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Worship Services	2014	2015	Change	Percent
Total Attendance at Worship Each Week	1,018,949	973,809	-45,140	-4.43
Average Sunday Attendance per Congregation	109	105	-4	-3.67
Percent of Baptized Members Attending Worship	27.06	26.55	-0.51	-0.66

Congregations Reporting Ethnic Group Participants					Percentage of Congregations
African American/Black	3,320	2,520	-800	-24.10	27.04
African National/African Caribbean	913	753	-160	-17.52	8.08
American Indian and Alaska Native	984	774	-210	-21.34	8.30
Arab/Middle Eastern	592	479	-113	-19.09	5.14
Asian/Pacific Islander	2,931	2,128	-803	-27.40	22.83
Latino/Hispanic	3,066	2,277	-789	-25.73	24.43
Multiracial	2,869	2,133	-736	-25.65	22.89
White/Caucasian	8,818	5,975	-2,843	-32.24	64.11
Other	422	402	-20	-4.74	4.31

Total Ethnic Active Participants					Percent Ethnic Active Participants
African American/Black	38,050	25,979	-12,071	-31.72	1.50
African National/African Caribbean	9,519	6,214	-3,305	-34.72	0.36
American Indian and Alaska Native	4,723	3,663	-1,060	-22.44	0.21
Arab/Middle Eastern	2,387	1,935	-452	-18.94	0.11
Asian/Pacific Islander	20,752	12,539	-8,213	-39.58	0.73
Latino/Hispanic	37,612	23,812	-13,800	-36.69	1.38
Multiracial	33,709	15,494	-18,215	-54.04	0.90
White/Caucasian	2,254,471	1,590,402	-664,069	-29.46	91.96
Other	15,133	49,453	34,320	226.79	2.86

Distribution of Congregations by Size: Baptized Members

	Size of Congregation	Total Congregations	Percent	Total Baptized Members	Percent
Under Development	-0-	3	0.03	0	0.00
Very Small	1-175	3,395	36.43	333,416	9.09
Small	176-350	2,450	26.29	615,528	16.78
Moderately Small	351-500	1,194	12.81	500,831	13.65
Medium Sized	501-700	869	9.32	515,059	14.04
Moderately Large	701-950	518	5.56	419,407	11.43
Large	951-1,500	463	4.97	537,285	14.65
Very Large	More than 1,500	296	3.18	746,508	20.35

Distribution of Congregations by Size: Confirmed Members

	Size of Congregation	Total Congregations	Percent	Total Confirmed Members	Percent
Under Development	-0-	43	0.46	0	0.00
Very Small	1-175	4,212	45.19	388,261	13.85
Small	176-350	2,440	26.18	608,542	21.71
Moderately Small	351-500	1,020	10.94	422,986	15.09
Medium Sized	501-700	680	7.30	400,227	14.28
Moderately Large	701-950	362	3.88	290,675	10.37
Large	951-1,500	277	2.97	322,531	11.50
Very Large	More than 1,500	154	1.65	370,228	13.21