

Reinvigorating Our Roots to Grow Richer Fruit



⁶ Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. ⁷ So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' ⁸ "Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. ⁹ If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'" Luke 13:6-9 NIV

102nd General Assembly

November 4-5, 2022

Schedule

General Assembly of the Church of God in Michigan November 4-5, 2022 Lansing, Michigan

Friday - November 4, 2022

9:00 a.m. Worship-
Rev. Dr. Leslie Barnes
Message- Rev. Mark Richardson
Ballrooms B, C, D, E, and F

10:45 a.m. Ladies Tea
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10:45 a.m. Call to Order First Business Session-
Minister Sheila Granger, Chair
Welcome and Presentation of Agenda
Statement of Membership and
New Business
Introductions and Appreciation
Minutes of 2021 Assembly
State Pastor Report- Rev. Mark Richardson
Finances and Budget Proposal
Credentials Candidate Video
New Pastors, Associates, Visitors,
and Guests
Those completing terms of service
for our Assembly
Credentials Candidate Video
Ballot Presentation and Ratification-
Rev. Mike Potter, Business Committee
Chair

12:00 p.m. Recess until 8:30 a.m. Saturday

12:15 Lunch -
Sponsored by Servant Solutions
Rev. Jim O'Bold and Rev. Mark Senseman

1:15 Conference
*"Reinvigorated Roots...Rich Fruits for
Ministry"*
Rev. Jeremy Dixon and Rev. Dr. Kimberly
Majeski
Ballrooms B, C, D, E, and F

3:30 Conference
"Worship"
Rev. Dr. Leslie Barnes
Ballrooms B, C, D, E, and F

5:00 Free Time - Dinner on your own

7:00 p.m. Worship-
Rev. Dr. Leslie Barnes
Message- Rev. Jeremy Dixon
Ballrooms B, C, D, E, and F

Dessert Time Meet and Greet Fellowship -
Sponsored by Wesleyan Alliance Fund
Rev. Dr. Rolland Daniels

Saturday - November 5, 2022

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast -
Ballrooms B, C, D, E, and F

8:30 a.m. Second Business Session
Call to Order - Minister Sheila Granger, Chair
Church Health Minister Report -
Rev. Jerry Lyon
2023 Proposed Budget Vote-
Rev. Mike Potter, Business Committee Chair
Presentation and Ratification of Ordination
Candidates - Rev. Joshua Brandt,
Credentials Chair
Unfinished Business
Lifetime Achievement
Rev. Dick Latham
Reverends Leo and Janell Robinson
Outstanding Service Award
Rev. Carl Baker
Rev. Jaime Cervantes
Rev. David Perry
15 years serving in the same congregation
In Tribute Recognition -
Rev. Joshua Brandt, Credentials Chair
Dedication of Ordination Candidates -
Rev. Joshua Brandt, Credentials Chair

9:45 Adjourn Business Session
Minister Sheila Granger, Chair

10:00 Worship- Rev. Dr. Leslie Barnes
Message- Rev. Dr. Kimberly Majeski
Ballrooms B, C, D, E, and F

11:45 Dismissal

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General Assembly of the Church of God in Michigan
Statement of Membership

- A. The pastor of each congregation within the state of Michigan.

B. The members of all the recognized ministries and committees of this organization.

C. The associate pastors/ministers called by each congregation on a full-time or part-time basis.

D. One layperson chosen as an official representative by each Michigan Church of God congregation with an average weekly attendance to 100; two laypersons from each congregation with an average weekly attendance of 101-500; three laypersons from each congregation with an average weekly attendance of 501-1000; and four
- laypersons from each congregation with an average weekly attendance of 1,001 and above.

E. All others who are registered in the current Yearbook of the Church of God or have served as past chairs of the Michigan General Assembly, and who reside in Michigan and worship in Church of God congregations in Michigan.

F. One delegate as appointed by each recognized Camp Meeting Association within the state.

Rev. Mark Richardson



Rev. Mark Kevin Richardson was born and raised in Akron, Ohio. He is the son of Harrison and Josephine Richardson. He is a first-generation Church of God member, and minister, having grown up in the Catholic Church. He was educated in Akron through graduation from Archbishop Hoban High School. He attended Mount Union College, in Alliance, Ohio, graduating in 1979, with a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting, with a minor in Communications. Upon graduation, he worked for the IBM Corporation, from 1979 through 1983. While working in the computer industry from 1985 through 1996, Rev. Richardson developed as a lay minister under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Dr. Ronald J. Fowler in Akron. When his job required relocation to Maryland, from 1989 through 1991, he continued to develop as a lay minister under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Marc Farmer, of the Oakland Mills Church of God in Columbia, Maryland. Upon his relocation back to Akron in 1992, he resumed his development under Rev. Fowler. Rev. Richardson was ordained in 1994, at the Arlington Church of God.

He came to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ under the ministry of Rev. Dr. Ronald J. Fowler, of the Arlington Church of God, in Akron, Ohio, in 1981. He experienced the call on his life for Pastoral Ministry in late 1983, and began the process of preparation for ministry immediately. After a brief time of study at the Anderson University School of Theology, Rev. Mark returned to Akron to develop in ministry while returning to work in the computer industry for Digital Equipment Corporation.

In 1996 he answered the call to his first pastorate, the Lincoln Avenue Church of God in Pittsburgh, PA, where he was the Senior Pastor until July 2002. From 2002 until September 2019, Rev. Richardson served as the founding Senior Pastor of the New Life Church of God, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a thriving congregation reaching into Pittsburgh and its eastern suburbs. During his time in Western Pennsylvania, he served in the state ministry, as a member and chair of the Credentialing Services Team, and as Team Leader of the Church Health Team. Rev. Richardson also served as a member of the Ministries Council of Western Pennsylvania Ministries. For nearly two years from June 2012 through January 2014, Rev. Richardson served as a Co-Director of Leadership Development and Church Multiplication with Church of God Ministries in Anderson, Indiana, working for the General Director of Church of God Ministries. From October 2016 through August 2019, Rev. Richardson served as the Chair of the General Assembly of WPA Ministries of the Church of God and Chair of the Ministries Council. Beginning in September 2019, and continuing currently, Rev. Richardson is the State Pastor for the Church of God in Michigan. He currently serves as the Secretary of the Trustee Board of the Servant Solutions Pension Board of the Church of God. In addition, Rev. Richardson is a board member of the Church of God Foundation and Vice-Chair of the Regional Pastors Association of the Church of God.

Rev. Jeremy Dixon



Pastor Jeremy Dixon has served as an associate and now Lead Pastor for over 20 years at the Center of Hope in Inglewood, California. Known for his approachable demeanor, and common sense approach to Kingdom living he has the unique ability to connect with individuals from all walks of life.

Pastor Jeremy's particular blend of humor, inspiration and sound biblical grounding has opened doors for him to be a guest facilitator and a sought after speaker for churches, conferences, and conventions both nationally and internationally. Articulate, passionate, and driven; Jeremy is one of the emerging voices proclaiming God's desire to establish His Kingdom in the market place.

Married to Adrienne Dixon, they have the joy of parenting four wonderful children, Kennedy, Micah, Roman and Jordyn.

Rev. Dr. Kimberly Majeski



Dr. Kimberly Majeski has been in full-time preaching ministry for more than twenty years. She is an ordained pastor in the Church of God, Anderson, Indiana. After nearly two decades as a professor of Biblical Studies, Kimberly now serves as the Executive Director of Christian Women Connection, leading women around the globe to serve the church and build up the kingdom. Kimberly's scholarship is featured on the History Channel, A&E, and in many books, articles, and publications. She lives at the heart of the justice movement as an activist and the founder of Stripped Love, non-profit serving victims of sex trafficking.

A widely sought-after preacher, in 2019, Kimberly launched the Preacher Girl School, a dynamic online women's preaching clinic. She now convenes the Arise Academy with the same charisma and enthusiasm. Kimberly is married to Kevin and mama to Max; she loves to golf, shop, and laugh until she cries.

Rev. Dr. Leslie Parker Barnes



Dr. Leslie Parker Barnes is a native of Akron, Ohio. She graduated from Akron Public Schools and continued her education at Bowling Green State University. After receiving an Associate Degree in Applied Business she furthered her education at the McCreary Center for Black Religious Studies receiving a diploma in Black Religious Studies. She then went on to obtain a Master of Divinity degree from Ashland Theological Seminary and received her Doctorate in Worship from the Robert Webber Institute for Worship Studies in June of 2017.

Leslie Parker Barnes, Founder and Executive Director of Youth Excellence Performing Arts Workshop, has been with YEPAW since 1990, encouraging youth, through the arts, to pursue lifestyles of excellence. In 2006, she was the recipient of The Akron Beacon Journal's Extraordinary Woman Crystal Award in recognition of her service to youth. She is a graduate of the 2008 class of Leadership Akron. In 2010, she was recognized by the Women's Endowment Fund for her extraordinary commitment to social justice through her service to thousands of youth. In 2012 she received the Margaret Clark Morgan Impact Award for Imagination in her service with youth. In 2014 she received the Harold K. Stubbs Humanitarian Award for Social Action.

Dr. Barnes is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. and serves as the Minister of Praise & Worship Arts at Arlington Church of God in Akron. Leslie is married to Ted Barnes and they have four children, Rochelle, Rachel, Theo, Kimberly and a grandson, Trey Immanuel Barnes.

Minutes | 101st General Assembly of the Church of God in Michigan

Annual Business Meeting Session 1; November 5, 2021

9:00 am Welcome: State Pastor Rev. Mark Richardson opened the 101st General Assembly.

Worship: Alma First Church of God and Millington Church of God.

Message: State Pastor Rev. Mark Richardson, "Going Forward Together", Ephesians 4:1-7

Worship: Alma First Church of God and Millington Church of God.

Benediction: Rev. Mark Richardson, State Pastor

welcomed the members of the 101st General Assembly of the Church of God in Michigan.

The Chair presented the Agenda printed on the inside cover of the 2021 Annual Report. He noted that any proposed changes to the Agenda must be made to the Business Committee.

The Chair read the Statement of Membership for voting members from Article IV of our By-Laws and page 3 of the Annual Report. A quorum was achieved.

The Chair read the Vision and Mission Statements of the Church of God in Michigan printed on the back cover of the Annual Report.

The Chair called attention to the Bylaws Revision Resolution on Meetings on Page 17 of the Annual Report. These two proposals would allow online

Annual Business Meeting Session 1; November 5, 2021

10:46 am The Chair, Rev. Dr. David Aukerman, called the first Business Session to order and

or virtual General Assembly meetings and voting. They are submitted to the General Assembly for approval tomorrow during the second Business Session.

The Chair introduced this weekend's Conference speakers, State Pastor Mark Richardson, Rev. Jim Lyon General Director of Church of God Ministries, and Bishop Timothy J. Clarke. Their biographies are on pages 4-5 of the Annual Report.

The Chair recognized former State Pastor Rev. Dr. William Jones; Regional Pastors Rev. David Colp (Southwestern), Rev. Jim Horn (Northeastern), Rev. Al Grant (Southeastern), and Rev. John Mellish (Northwestern) on pages 38-39; former Regional Pastor Dave Perry; Rev. Jim O'Bold and Jeff Jenness of Servant Solutions who are sponsoring today's lunch; and encouraged the Assembly members to visit the Ministry booths in the Lobby. The booths include Warner Camp, St. Louis Camp, Michigan Singers, Cultivate, Children's Ministry, Vision Ministries, Servant Solutions, and Anderson University.

The Chair introduced Rev. John Mellish as the Parliamentarian and Rev. Dr. John Miller as the Head Teller for this General Assembly.

The Chair noted the Minutes of the 2020 General Assembly on pages 4-5 of the Annual Report, which have been peer reviewed and submitted for approval. M/S/C Review Committee/Rev. Kevin Tippin/Approved the 2020 General Assembly Minutes.

The Chair ceded the floor to Rev. Mark Richardson, State Pastor.

Rev. Richardson directed the Assembly to the State Pastor Report on page 9 of the Annual Report. Heartfelt thanks were extended to the staff members Rev. Jerry Lyon, Becky Adams, Goldie Kurtzhals, and Connie Graham; the current Regional Pastors, and past Regional Pastors Rev. Dave Perry, Rev. Dr. John Davey, and the late Rev. Dr. Herbert Banks; the Board of Directors, Committees, Teams, Pastors, and Congregations of the Church of God in Michigan.

State Pastor Richardson highlighted the need for investment in leadership through the new Institute for Servant Leadership, Leadership Focus, Trellis support and potential hub-church site in Michigan, and church planting. Big Rapids Church Planters Rev. Mark and Heather Robb were introduced.

State Pastor Richardson called attention to the 2022 Ballot and Biographies as well as honoring those Ministry/Committee Members completing their terms on pages 18-25 of the Annual Report.

State Pastor Richardson reviewed the General Assembly Finances including the proposed 2022 Budget. The financial condition of the Church of God in Michigan is strong. Congregational giving has remained strong throughout the covid pandemic.

The proposed 2022 Budget was submitted to the General Assembly for approval tomorrow at the second Business Session.

State Pastor Richardson thanked previous State Pastors Rev. Dr. William Jones and Rev. Dr. Gerald Nevitt. He also recognized Rev. Bill Miller, retired Pastor and Church of God in Michigan staff, who passed away this morning.

The State Pastor ceded the floor back to the Chair.

Videos were presented for each of the five Credentials Candidates who have completed the requirements for ordination and noted on page 35 of the Annual Report. They are David Johnson, Teaching Pastor at New Creation in Flint; David Mulherin, Pastor at Hilltop Church of God, Flint; Keli Oldham, Missionary, Commerce Township; Emily Potter, Youth Minister, TriPoint Church of God, Alpena; and Suhailah Talibah, Pastor at Lake Street Church of God, Pontiac.

The Chair introduced the new Pastorates and Associate Pastorates listed on page 7 of the Annual Report and asked that the Assembly recognize them. They are Joshua and Laura Brandt, Pennway Church of God, Lansing; Nathanael Lyon, Hope Community Church, Niles; and Madonna Snyder, First Church of God, Three

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Rivers.

The Chair ceded the floor to Harold Lockley, Business Committee Chair.

Brother Lockley introduced the responsibilities of the Business Committee in assembling the business and ballot for the General Assembly. He reminded the Assembly that any proposed changes to the Agenda be brought to the Business Committee no later than 2:00 pm today.

Brother Lockley introduced the candidates being presented for ratification on the ballot as listed on page 18 of the Annual Report. Their biographies appear on pages 19-25 of the Report. Ballots were distributed to the voting members and then collected by the tellers for counting.

Brother Lockley ceded the floor to the Chair.

The Chair offered a prayer for the Servant Solutions sponsored lunch to follow.

12:00 pm The Chair dismissed the Business Meeting until it reconvenes tomorrow, Saturday, November 6 at 8:30 am.

Annual Business Meeting Session 2 November 6, 2021

8:30 am The Chair, Rev. Dr. David Aukerman, called the second Business Session to order.

The Chair ceded the floor to Rev. Jerry Lyon, Church Health Minister for his Report on page 10 of the Annual Report. Rev. Lyon prioritized being "make disciples who make disciples".

360: Attendance was 200+ at the Fall 360 Leadership Conference at Clarkston. 360 will return to its Spring format at South Church in Lansing on March 19, 2022.

Mission 120: Looking for a few more churches who want to participate.

Big Rapids Church Plant: Rev. Mark and Heather Robb were introduced and will be at the Registration table to discuss the new work there.

Rev. Lyon ceded the floor back to The Chair.

The Chair advised the Assembly that all candidates appearing on the ballot yesterday had been ratified.

There were no questions regarding the 2022 Budget proposal submitted to the General Assembly during the first Business Session. The ballots were cast by the voting members and collected by the tellers. The 2022 Budget was approved.

There were no questions regarding the Bylaws resolution on Page 17 of the Annual Report to allow online or virtual General Assembly meetings and voting. The ballots were cast by the voting members and collected by the tellers. The Bylaws revisions were approved. There are five Credentials Candidates who have completed the requirements for ordination and noted on page 35 of the Annual Report. They are David Johnson, Teaching Pastor at New Creation in Flint; David Mulherin, Pastor at Hilltop Church of God, Flint; Keli Oldham, Missionary, Commerce Township; Emily Potter, Youth Minister, TriPoint Church of God, Alpena; and Suhailah Talibah, Pastor at Lake Street Church of God, Pontiac.

The voting members were asked to cast ballots to either approve the ordination of each candidate or to express their strong reservation. It is only necessary to sign the ballot if expressing strong reservations. The tellers collected the ballots for counting. All candidates were approved.

The following Ministers who are licensed and have been placed in the process for ordination are listed on pages 36 of the Annual Report: Jesse Hargett, Youth Director, Clarkston Community Church, Clarkston and Alexander Young, Associate Pastor, Calvert Park Community Church, Burton.

The voting members were asked to cast ballots to either approve the initiation of the ordination process for each candidate or to express their strong reservation. It is only necessary to sign

the ballot if expressing strong reservation. The tellers collected the ballots for counting. All candidates were approved.

100+ Year Anniversary Celebration:

Retired State Pastor Rev. Dr. William Jones reviewed the history of the Church of God in Michigan including past State Pastors and staff. Equip the local congregation to extend the kingdom of God. Equipping, encouraging, supporting, and protecting.

State Pastor Rev. Mark Richardson reviewed the solid foundation of the Church of God in Michigan including its' reputation and influence in the Church of God movement.

State Pastor Mark Richardson recognized the following achievements in ministry as noted on page 34 of the Annual Report:

The Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Rev. Dr. William Jones and Rev. Theron Kersey who represent nearly 100 years of ministry in the Church of God in Michigan.

Becky Adams was recognized for her outstanding service to the Church of God in Michigan.

The Outstanding Service Award was presented to Rev. Leo Robinson II, Rev. Mark Staton II, and Rev. Erin Taylor for their work in their congregations and communities.

25 Years of Ministry in Michigan: Rev. Dr. John Davey, Rev. David Lunn, Rev. Gregory Prather, Rev. Lori Woodmore, and Rev. Steven Starks.

15 Years Serving at the same Congregation:
Rev. George Villarreal

Rev. Mike Harris was recognized for this service as Senior Pastor at the Howell Church of God. He is leaving pastoral ministry to become a counselor at Focus on the Family in Greenville.

State Pastor Mark Richardson ceded the floor to Rev. Michael Harris, the Chair of the Credentials Ministry.

In memoriam, the Assembly recognized the Ministers who served the King of Heaven have passed away in the last year, listed on Page 34 of the Annual Report: Rev. Mary Dorothy Gillespie, Rev. Roger Christiansen, Rev. Dr. Herbert Banks, Rev. Sarah Palmer, Rev. Robert Hazen, and the Rev. Dr. Donald O'Leary. While remembering each, Rev. Harris asked that those who were impacted by their ministry and service stand in their honor. Rev. Harris then asked for a moment of silence and then offered a prayer in memory of them.

Rev. Harris recognized the members of the Credentials Ministry.

Rev. Harris recognized Jesse Hargett, Youth Director, Clarkston Community Church, Clarkston and Alexander Young, Associate Pastor, Calvert Park Community Church, Burton who are licensed and have been placed in the process for ordination.

Rev. Harris invited the five Credentials Candidates, noted earlier, who have completed the requirements for ordination to come forward for anointing and prayer.

Rev. Michael Harris ceded the floor Church Health Minister Rev. Jerry Lyon. Rev. Lyon introduced a video from MALU, which adjourned the second Business Session of Assembly at 9:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Salisbury

Chair Emeritus and Acting Secretary

Minutes Read and Certified by:

Rev. Emily Clark, Rev. Andrew Lyle, and

Rev. Dale Turner

New Pastorates



Jody Coon
Gabi and Wendy
TriPoint Church of God, Mio



Mark Staton, II
New Creation Church of God, Flint



Mark Robb
Mark and Heather
Connect Church, Big Rapids



Robert Tramel
From left to right, Sophia - Daughter, Me, Sam - Son in law, Paisley
- Daughter, Margo, my wife and Chloe - Daughter
Crossroads Church of God, Howell

New Associate Pastorates



Chance Adams
First Church of God,
Saint Joseph



Cameron Kreager
Noah, Jennifer, Avery, Cameron
Pennway Church of God, Lansing



Trevor Moody
Hope Community Church, Niles



JJ Perry
Jennie and JJ
Cora, Gabe, and Anna
Millington Church of God, Millington

Ministry Reports

State Pastor's Report - Rev. Mark K. Richardson



always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.” 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NKJV). The time is right for Revival! In fact, that word, “Revival” has been radiating in my spirit, for over two years. Revival can happen in our time just as it has in other dark times throughout history. The key is, we must want it and be willing to pursue it completely. We must be willing to put our differences aside and come together in the cause of Christ to win the lost. Thus, we share with you our theme for 2023 that will hopefully position us to effectively help lost and hurting people, to find and follow Jesus Christ.

Welcome

On behalf of the Church of God in Michigan, Sharon and I welcome you to this 102nd meeting of the General Assembly of the Church of God in Michigan. I am very thankful for the blessing of serving as your State Pastor. I continue to be thankful for you and your congregations, as well as you leaders who make such a difference in the Kingdom of God. The Church of God in Michigan is a stellar ministry across the Church of God, and that is because of you.

The Challenge We Face:

Over the next several years, the Church will continue to be assaulted and challenged to compromise our Message and Mission to embrace the culture, and its ever-darkening whims. With all of the craziness around us, and the subsequent attacks on the true Message of the Gospel, we are determined to live out the exhortation of the Apostle Paul to “...be steadfast, unmoveable,

2023: Reinvigorating Our Roots to Grow Richer Fruit

From our earliest days as a movement, there have been some foundational things that define who we are. They are in our roots, but sadly we have allowed the roots to be tangled and thus they have lost some of their vitality to grow fruit. We need to reclaim what we have allowed the enemy to steal from us. Some of our foundational roots are unity and holiness. There are many more, and we need to reinvigorate these roots. We also need to add some Holy Spirit fertilizer to them to grow the fruit they were given to us to grow. Our focus scripture is taken from the parable of Jesus Christ concerning a fig tree that was unfruitful, spelled out in Luke 13:6-9. We are excited to have two multi-generational Church of God leaders sharing with us, in Rev. Dr. Kimberly Majeski and Rev. Jeremy Dixon. We are also excited that Rev. Dr. Leslie Barnes will be sharing in Music and Worship, adopted into the Church of God through the mothering and mentoring of Rev. Dr. Cleo Myricks.

She is now raising generations of Church of God leaders in her own family and the church. We hope that you will be blessed with this great time of connection and forward-looking, as we press into revival in the Church of God. Your loving interaction and worship will be the defining difference.

Heartfelt Thanks:

The job of State Pastor is made so much easier and more fulfilling through your commitment, service, and care. There aren't enough ways to encompass the gratitude and love I have for you. Thank you to all who serve our congregations, our state teams, and our campgrounds. Thank you for all that you do and your consistent and highly appreciated giving to the state ministries. Because of you, we are able to impact so many people and congregations throughout the state, and in other places around the world. I specifically offer heartfelt thanks to Becky Adams for the incredible work she does for us all. The commitment of excellence she has, and her tireless work ethic makes all of our jobs so much easier. Also, thank you to Goldie Kurtzhals for continuing to serve the Church of God in Michigan through her excellent administration of the Credentialing and Leadership Focus processes. She also helps with special projects through the year, especially contract negotiations and registrations. Indeed, this very event venue comes together through her great work. Thank you to our other staff members, Rev. Jerry Lyon, our Church Health Minister, and Connie Graham, our Director of Youth Ministry. They serve with a love and passion for the church and the ministries in which they are entrusted. I

want to especially thank Connie Graham publicly, as she is retiring following next year's Michigan Student Leadership Institute. There are so many young people that have been enriched through your efforts with our Youth. Thank you to Rev. John Mellish, Rev. Jim Horn, Rev. David Colp, and Rev. Al Grant, our Regional Pastors. They help to connect our congregations with the ministries of the Church of God in Michigan. Thank you to all of those who have served on teams through the past years, especially those whose service terms are expiring. You are a blessing. Finally, thanks to our Board and all our state team leaders for the wonderful work you do for our pastors, congregations, and the state ministries. I and the Church of God in Michigan are better because of you.

I hope you are enriched through this General Assembly and encouraged to press into a truly successful 2023, Reinvigorating Our Roots to Grow Richer Fruit.

360 Ministry Leadership Conference March 18, 2023

THE INCREDIBLE CAUSE!
Luke 19:10

**South Church, Lansing
micog.org/360lc**

Church Health Minister Report - Rev. Jerry Lyon



This year's General Assembly theme is spot on! We need some reinvigorating!

Our focus scripture reminds us,

"WE AREN'T GIVING UP...NOT GIVING IN...THE PLAN IS TO BEAR FRUIT!"

I'm certain many pastors, and not a few church leaders, over the last couple of years, have thought about a geographic move, about a hop, skip, and a jump to another work or ministry situation. Maybe looking for a place where it isn't so hard to, "bear fruit." The thought of another church or ministry that won't want as much from me or where conflict doesn't exist, can be very enticing, but not likely realistic. To be sure, lately, it's been a tough "row to hoe." For some, down right exhausting is how it's been, and for others, it's produced incredible fruit, but at a cost. I want to say to you, ***"DON'T CUT THE TREE DOWN! THERE'S STILL FRUIT TO BEAR, IF WE'RE WILLING TO CHANGE!"*** This, my friends, is the challenge. Do something different and look for a new harvest of fruit!

In 2022, we completed of our Mission 120

Initiative; a tri-state work to see the implementation of disciple making pathways in 120 churches in Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan. MICOOG had 26 pastors participating from 23 of our local churches! Disciple making is key to being a healthy, vital congregation. For many, this has been an invigorating time. For others, somewhat frustrating as it has challenged the status quo. Disciple making IS discipleship, and it is the root of the work of the church -- producing the fruit we truly must see. Well done to those who've persevered. Fruit will come!

Our 360 MLC is another area in which we

continue to see fruit! On March 19th, 2022, we had a fantastic gathering as we returned to the South Church facility in Lansing, Michigan. The day was so encouraging and well received. There was much enthusiasm for and a desire to see the power of the Holy Spirit move upon our lives for the work of the ministry of the church. Such a great day of training and fellowship.

A refreshed and enthusiastic team is looking for ways to bring to life our next focus theme for our **2023 "360 MLC" - THE INCREDIBLE CAUSE! - Luke 19:10,** "...to seek out and save people who are lost." Be sure to mark your calendars for, **Saturday, March 18th, 2023!** We'll keep working at invigorating the roots of the Church of God in Michigan through our 360 Ministry Leadership Conference.

CONNECT CHURCH, Big Rapids, is a reality!

Some very real and very exciting fruit is being born. The work and vision of Pastor Mark and Heather Robb for a congregation in Big Rapids, Michigan, was officially launched on Saturday, September 17th. This new church plant has been in the works for a one and a half years for the Robb's and the Church of God in Michigan. Launch night was a great moment for CONNECT CHURCH with 85+ in attendance. Pastor Mark Robb has cultivated many relationships within the Big

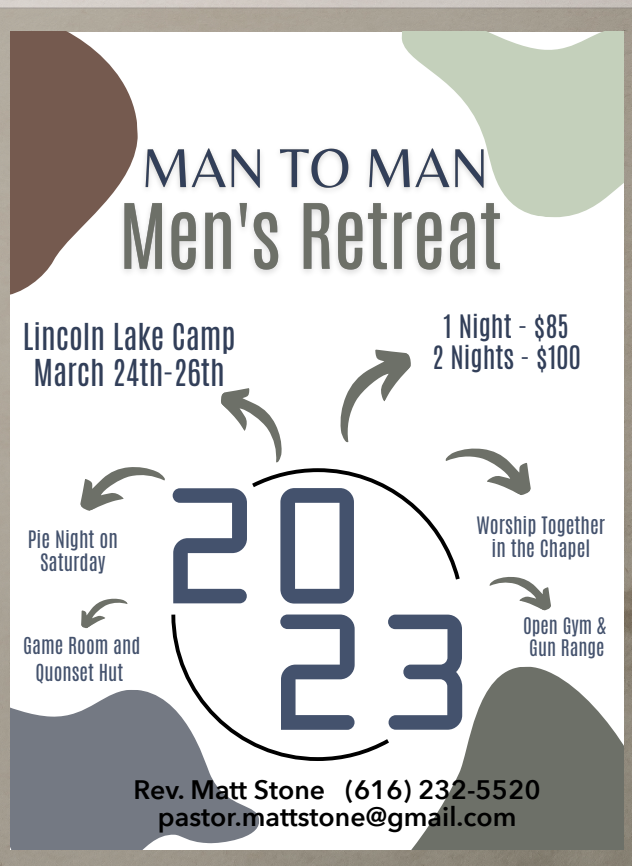
Rapids community. From business owners to the local shelter director, to other ministries and pastors, Mark has established his presence in Big Rapids. We look forward to seeing **MORE fruit** from our partnership with the Robb's and their vision for planting churches in Michigan.

Finally, in the coming months, MICOG state office leadership will be redefining, redesigning, and clarifying the role of our Church Health Ministry.

Over the past few years, we've experienced dramatic changes in our world, the culture around us, as well as within the life of the local church. Those changes have created unique challenges. We want our Church Health Ministry to reflect a response in services that will better meet those challenges and the future needs of the local church.

To those Ministry members who have served in previous years, thank you for your faithfulness during those times. To the current Church Health Ministry chair, and all those members who have been serving in this current season of uncertainty and in a rapidly changing church landscape, thank you for hanging in there with us. Currently, the Church Health Ministry is on an undetermined hiatus, per the request of our State Pastor. Please continue to contact the Service Center/State Office regarding challenges your church may be experiencing and let us look with you for ways to bear fruit!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jerry Lyon, Church Health Minister



Credentials Ministry Report - Rev. Joshua Brandt, Chair



The Credentials Team is deepening our understanding of our purpose and authority. Through clarifying our purpose, we are learning that credentials can be the way we love leaders and churches. The Credentials Team partners with leaders who are in the

credentials process. It is our honor to walk with candidates during their three-year journey through Leadership Focus.

We are charged with holding our leaders and churches to the high standards in our Credentials Manual. This can lead to challenging conversations and decisions. It also means that we celebrate with church plants and welcome churches who desire to join us in the Movement.

Your Credentials Team is comprised of leaders who evidence our state's wealth of wisdom, experience, and diversity. As Chair, I am privileged to work with Carl Baker (Secretary), Terry Bernard, Bob Confer, Chariese Matthews, Ron Nuckles, and Mark Richardson (State Pastor, non-voting ex-officio member). Mike Harris resigned from the Team earlier this year as his new ministry assignment made it difficult for him to continue this work. We are all thankful for his time as Chair and for how he moved our work forward.

You may not be aware that the State Pastor is not directly involved in the work of Credentials in many state ministries. I am thankful for the investment Mark Richardson makes in the lives of leaders in Michigan. I have witnessed him go over Theological Statements with candidates so they can fully understand their theology and calling. Mark is strengthening leaders who will impact our churches for decades to come.

The Credentials Ministry is recommending three individuals for ordination by our General Assembly this year. In addition, we have 26 individuals currently in the credentials process.

As we celebrate with those who are being ordained, let me encourage you to be praying for a harvest of leaders. The Credentials Team and I are convinced that we need to ordain 15 leaders a year to maintain the number of leaders needed in our churches and 25 to grow and plant churches where needed. This would lead to over 75 men and women in the ordination process.

I am asking each ordained pastor in Michigan to pray for ten leaders by name over the next three months whom they can encourage to enter the ordination process. Will you join me in this prayer?

If you have questions about the work of Credentials, don't hesitate to contact me. I know that the Credentials Manual and Leadership Focus can be overwhelming. We will work together to find clarity and a path forward.

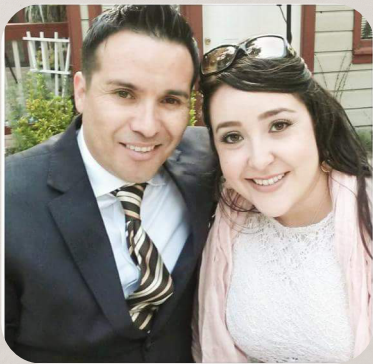
The Credentials Team is humbled by the assignment given to us by the General Assembly. Thank you for entrusting us with this work.

Leaders Currently in the Ordination and Licensed Process

Martonio Backstrom	Stephen Ivy (I)	George Schwemle (I)
Jaime Cervantes (O)	Kevin Keeder	Michael Severn
Caleb Claybaugh	Mike Mazurek	Josie Sposito
Billy Cornstubble (I)	Cecil Mickens	Andrew Thompson (O)
Patrick Gilbert (I)	Trevor Moody	Jon Wallace
Sheila Granger	Patricia Norvell	Derek Whitacre
Rachel Green (I)	Jonathan Oldham	Jaqueline Williams
Jesse Hargett (I)	Miosha Robinson	Alexander Young (I)
Cleveland Howell III (I)	Veronica Roesly (O)	

O = Presented to the General Assembly for Ordination I = Licensed

Ministers Who Have Completed the Requirements for Ordination



Jaime Cervantes:
Jaime and Icela
Campus Pastor, First Church
of God, in Benton Harbor



Veronica Roesly:
Co-Pastor, Barryton
Church of God, Barryton



Andrew Thompson:
Lori and Andrew
Chaplain, Compass Hospice with Beacon
Memorial Hospital, South Bend, Indiana

Licensed Ministers Placed in the Process for Ordination



Rachel Green:
Rachel and Joe
AJ (13), Dylan (9), Eli (6)
Worship Director, Front Desk Administration,
First Church of God, St. Joseph



Stephen Ivy:
Carrol and Stephen
Pastor, Ministering at Heart of God
Ministries, Detroit



Cleveland Howell III:
Cleveland and Esther
Servant, Southwestern Church of
God, Detroit



George Schwemle:
George and Gina
Office Manager at
Riverside Park
Church of God,
Livonia



Trevor, George Jr, and Garrett Schwemle

Pastoral Health Ministry Report - Rev. Jeff Eckman, Chair



The Pastoral Health Ministry considers it a great privilege to walk alongside our pastors and their families to encourage and inspire them in the work that they do to help our Churches grow stronger and accomplish kingdom objectives.

We continue to plan and support the following events to promote the health and growth of our pastors:

- **Ministers Retreat** - The Ministers Retreat is being planned for January 30-February 1 at Gull Lake Ministries conference center. Our theme this year will be "Still on the wall" from Nehemiah 2:17-18. Our speaker will be Handel Smith, Executive Director, US and Canada Strategies at Church of God Ministries - Anderson, Indiana, and Lead Pastor at Celebration Church at Arrow Heights. We will also have times of worship and fellowship together as well.
- **Ministry Wives Retreat** - The Ministry Wives Retreat was held on September 16-18 at St. Francis Retreat Center. The speaker was Rev. Janell Robinson, and the theme was "Ministry Wives - Rooted in Christ" - Colossians 2:6-10. Worship was led by Jakisha D. Robinson and Mrs. Jen Foss.

These ongoing ministries still serve our pastors:

- **Lifelong Learning Matching Funds** - Churches can contribute \$150 (or more if they choose) per year for their pastors, and we match up to \$150. These funds can be used for training related to ministry, including the yearly Ministers Retreat. We have decided to add wording to our policy that will allow us to consider Ministers with a connection to the Church of God who are either between churches, or are pursuing ministry

outside of the local church such as Chaplaincy to be able to contribute to this fund directly. Each application such as this will be considered on a case to case basis by the Pastoral Health Team as an exception to our base policy. As more of our ministers serve in non traditional ministries we believe that it is still important to support them in this way, as long as they strive to maintain a connection to the Church of God in Michigan.

- **Ministry to Ministers** - The ability to get confidential counseling for our pastors and their families has made a huge impact in the health of our pastors and their families. This year, in addition to our traditional approach, we are adding, a partnership with Full Strength Network (fullstrength.org) which allows us to purchase licenses for our credentialed pastors and ministers, and a spouse or teens living within the home. It includes online access to fully accredited counselors and coaches in a fully confidential manner. We have purchased 10 licenses to get us started and will be evaluating the effectiveness of this resource to determine whether we will offer it in addition to our traditional counseling, or possibly instead of our traditional counseling going forward.
- **Ministry Renewal Endowment Grants** - We have approved three grants, Each for \$1000.00. Two were to help cover additional education and training and one was to aid in a time of rest and recuperation.
- **Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Programs** - These programs offer training that is vital to Pastors seeking to do a better job Caring for people whatever they might be going through. Funds are available to those who apply and meet the criterion and are disbursed based on several criterion. Pick up a CPE Brochure from the state office for more information.

We have also had ongoing discussion about SHAPE type groups and the need for our pastors to be more connected with each other throughout the state. WE WOULD COVET YOUR SUGGESTIONS concerning what type of groups would compel you to participate, and what you might need from a monthly or bimonthly meeting of pastors, either in person, or via zoom. We recognize that the most successful groups of this nature tend to be organic and grow up out of relationships, but we would still like to do everything in our power to create an environment in which they can grow. PLEASE SEND US YOUR THOUGHTS AND SUGGESTIONS.

The Lifetime Achievement Awards for this year will be awarded to Dick Latham, and Leo and Janell Robinson. The Outstanding Achievement Awards will be awarded to Rev. Dave Perry, Rev. Carl Baker, Rev. Jaime Cervantes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pastoral Health Ministry

Jeff Eckman (Chair), Mary Lockley (Secretary), Portia Davis Mann, Carron Odokara, Sheryl Thompson, Suhailah Talibah, John Mattern, and Mark Richardson-State Pastor

Youth Ministry Report - Rev. Emily Potter, Chair



The past year has continued to be a developing one for Michigan State Youth Board activities. As churches rebuild their youth groups post covid shutdowns, attendance for events continues to fluctuate. The hope of the Youth Board is that over time we will see

some gains, little by little. However, we are committed to evaluating current programs in place and adjusting as necessary to be good stewards of state resources.

Our Board has met several times by Zoom and once in person, gathering around tables to discuss the future of youth ministry and how to reach youth who have faced unimaginable hurdles over the last two years. We can't expect to do youth ministry like years before, as times and teens have changed.

Meeting in person allowed us to have the opportunity to discuss ideas and find out which resources will better serve the youth leaders of Michigan and their students. Timely, honest conversations gave us the opportunity to get to know each other in a way Zoom does not. Going back to the basics encouraged us to dig deep into the world youth are living in now, which is, indeed, unprecedented. As we adjusted our own expectations and listened to personal perspectives, it allowed the group to relate to one another in a deeper way. When reminding ourselves of the "why" of youth ministry, the "how" can be clarified.

God's Word will never return void (Isaiah 55:11)! As we move forward in state youth ministry, let's be encouraged to think creatively, grow in our knowledge, and preach the Gospel, first and foremost. There will be hurdles to overcome, but we follow the One who will always make a way. Please continue to pray for the Youth of Michigan as we strive to serve them.



Ministry of Presence with Youth

Central to the Ministry of Presence is the thought of "Being With". Youth Pastors and Leaders must develop this practice well. The love and presence of God is embodied as we are with

teens in all their moments of joy and crisis! We are challenged to come alongside them where they are, speaking God's Word to them and sharing their burdens. Youth ministry is praying with and for youth, comforting them, discipling, and holding them accountable.

Honestly, sometimes this makes us uncomfortable. We have to stand with people in the midst of anxieties, and fears and pray that we are addressing situations appropriately. But, when God calls us to serve, He calls us to come alongside youth and become a part of their lives. He uses us to hold each other up and to help them grow in their walk with Christ!

Churches- please pray for those that spend time with the youth of your congregation and community. It's needed!

Update on State Youth Ministry

State Youth Convention (SYC) - micog.org/syc

SYC will be held **November 11-13, 2022** at the First Church of God in St. Joseph. Groups will once again stay in area hotels. Kelsie Newman will help create a great worship experience for the students, along with the First Church student band. John Michael Hinton (JMH) will speak for the weekend. He is a well-known illusionist and will amaze the audience. Youth and leaders will

participate in various projects to give back to the community Saturday afternoon and going to the YMCA Saturday night after worship for a great recreation time! Registration is online at micog.org in the youth section. All information is on the state website - micog.org/syc.

State Youth Winter Retreat - micog.org/youthwinterretreat

We are only two months away from the **January 6-8, 2023** Winter Retreat, which will be held at Timber Wolf Lake Young Life Camp in Lake City. Terry Blackford, pastor in New Albany, Indiana, and former youth pastor in Michigan, will be our speaker. Cameron Kreager, the Worship Pastor at Pennway Church of God in Lansing, will lead us in worship. The Task Force is planning great sport tournaments, small group activities and many opportunities for spiritual growth! Registration is online at micog.org in the youth section. Registration, all downloads, and information is available at micog.org/youthwinterretreat.html.

360 Ministry Leadership Conference

(Youth Leaders' Enrichment Opportunity) - micog.org/360lc

The Youth team is planning Youth and Leader sessions for the March 18, 2023 event, with the theme of *"Evangelism."*

Youth leaders, whether paid or volunteer, newer to student ministry or those more experienced, value the opportunity to learn and share together. During the State 360 Ministry Leadership Convention, we will have a full day of teaching and discussion on pertinent youth and leader topics. There will also be sessions for Youth, as well.

Michigan Student Leadership Institute (MSLI) -

micog.org/msli

The MSLI Task Force is currently planning the 21st MSLI, which will be at the Floyd CHOG in Midland for **April 21-22, 2023**. All three years of the program will be available.

Camping at Warner Camp

(From Kelley Dendel) - warnercamp.com

Warner Camp Summer 2022 was EPIC with 343 Summer Campers!

- 21% (72 scholarships were given) were helped with scholarships totaling a record amount @ \$18, 350.
- 22 summer staff were hired for the summer - one Marketing Intern and one new Health Officer to assist and learn from our long-standing camp nurse Rita Nicholson. 10 volunteer Spiritual Directors (not all at once of course)
- Many Baptisms took place in Lester Lake plus more that were scheduled to take place at the student's home church.
- We celebrated the four major holidays during the summer/fall months family camp style. Each weekend had its own flare of activities from family campfires to High Adventure activities, with all four being well attended.
- Our Campground was full at Camp Meeting, needing to use overflow. Rev. David Colp was our speaker for the week with Chad Harlan and crew as our worship leader. Camp meeting held our Kick off to "Life to the Full" initiative. This imitative will be shared in more detail at the General Assembly.
- Guest group activity is picking up. With new groups and returning guests, it's a busy fall. We have also had the opportunity to partner with a nice group of pastors who have been

seeking a place of respite for a few days. Warner Camp is honored to be a place that our leaders can come, relax, renew, refresh and simply disconnect for a short time.

For further information - warnercamp.com, 269-434-6844.

Michigan Singers - michigansingers.org

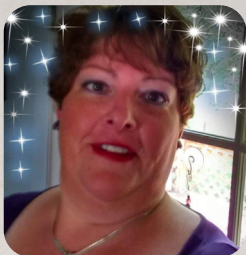
The choir had a great summer tour and are thankful to the churches that welcomed and blessed them. They are very grateful for the contributions that the state ministry makes to the ongoing ministry of MI Singers, enabling them to continue training and disciple students. They are trying to rebuild numbers that were lost during the COVID year. The 2022-23 season started Oct. 1 with their first rehearsal. Additional singers are welcome and needed.

Information on joining the group, and all about Michigan Singers, michigansingers.org. For other questions, contact tamsuefors@hotmail.com

The State Youth Team continues to discuss and pursue and implement ideas for:

- the best venues and times of the year and other details for the major state youth events
- a possible leaders' retreat in the near future
- contacting leaders for encouragement and possible mentoring
- researching and developing a "hands on" tool for leaders, parents, students and other regions that will assist in the ministry to teens

Christian Women Connection - Theresa Cross, Acting CWC President



This year has been difficult for the Christian Women's Connection in Michigan. Prior to the St. Louis Camp meeting in August, we met several times to determine the fate of the CWC Cottage on the campgrounds.

We were concerned that more funds were being used for the insurance and upkeep on the cottage than were going to support the missions for which the group was founded.

After several meetings with our state board of women and the leadership of the campground at St. Louis we have decided to turn the Cottage over to the campground. They took over ownership on September 1, 2022. We came to an agreement that we will retain use of the cottage for three weeks in August each year, the week

prior to camp meeting, the week of and the week following to ensure enough time to set up displays and pack things back away. Also that a designated storage area will be built within the Cottage for the safe keeping of historical records, scrap books and items donated to the CWC from our missionaries.

We also are concerned with the declining enrollment in the Christian Women's Connection. Membership numbers are down, and the Board of Directors has positions which have not been filled. We are currently in need of a President, Vice President, a Financial Director, and a Parliamentarian.

Please be praying for the Lord's hand in these matters.

Thank you,
Theresa Cross, Acting President

2022 Leadership Directory - Board of Directors



Sheila Granger
Chair

Board Of Directors

Sheila Granger, Chair; Tad Mellish, Vice-Chair; Tom Bader, Joshua Brandt, Theresa Cross, Jeff Eckman, Cathy Ganus, Lucius Hayward, Doug Irving, Emily Potter, Wendell Thompson, Mark Richardson, David Aukerman, ex-officio.



Tad Mellish
Vice-Chair

2022 Leadership Directory - Ministries and Committees

Church Health Ministry

Tom Bader, Greg Capsel, Jaime Cervantes, Matthew Chesney, Rhyen Glezman, Jerry Lyon, Church Health Minister, Mark Richardson, staff.

Credentials Ministry

Joshua Brandt, Chair; Carl Baker, Terry Bernard, Robert Confer, Michael Harris, Chariese Matthews, Ronald Nuckles, Mark Richardson, staff.

Pastoral Health Ministry

Jeffrey Eckman, Chair; Portia Davis-Mann, Mary Lockley, Carron Odokara, John Mattern, Suhailah Talibah, Sheryl Thompson, Jerry Lyon, Church Health Minister, Mark Richardson, staff.

Youth Ministry

Emily Potter, Chair; John Davis, Jesse Hargett, Trevor Moody, Brian Spitters, Mark Staton II, Ex-officio: Ken Forsman, Michigan Singers; Kelley Dendel, Warner Camp; Ben Kreider, MSLI; Connie Graham, Director of Youth Ministry, Mark Richardson, staff.

360 Ministry Conference Task Force

April Crump, Rhyen Glezman, David Johnson, Debb Lyon, Jerry Lyon, Sharon Richardson, Mark Richardson, staff.

Personnel Committee

William Jones, Kimme Nuckles, Mike Stone, Jerome Willis, Mark Richardson, staff.

Audit Committee

Vance Kupisch, Jaela McQuillan, Paul Myers, Chris Walker, Mark Richardson, staff.

Program Committee

Tad Mellish, Chair; Dwight Fontenot, Nathanael Lyon, David Rails, Erin Taylor, Mark Richardson, staff.

Business Committee

Alruthus Dulin, Theron Kersey, Michael Potter, Matthew Stone, Robert Tramel, Mark Richardson, staff.

Youth Convention Task Force

Ralene Dungan, Tori Eckman, Adam Rentas, Jenny Salas, Jim Sirks, Brian Spitters, Jessica Staton, Dan Steenbergh, Connie Graham, Director of Youth Ministry, Mark Richardson, staff.

Children's Ministry Task Force

Clyde Beaver, Sheryl Blake, Becky Rodriguez, William Shepard, Mark Richardson, staff.

Michigan Student Leadership Institute (MSLI)

Ben Kreider, Chair; Jim Sirks, Kevin Tippin, Connie Graham, Director of Youth Ministry, Mark Richardson, staff.

Youth Winter Retreat Task Force

Tony Casey, Krystal Kotesky, Mike Mazurek, Alex Merren, Connie Graham, Director of Youth Ministry, Mark Richardson, staff.

2023 Ballot and Honoring Ministry/Committee Members

Completing Terms

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CHAIR:

Sheila Granger 2022

VICE CHAIR:

Tad Mellish 2022

SECRETARY:

Jeff Salisbury 2024 (Resigned)

MEMBERS -

Lucius Hayward 2022-2

Wendell Thompson 2022-1

MINISTRIES

CREDENTIALS MINISTRY

Joshua Brandt 2022-0

Chariese Matthews 2022-1

YOUTH MINISTRY

Trevor Moody 2022-0

Brian Spitters 2022-1

Dante Rodriguez 2023-1 (Resigned)

PASTORAL HEALTH MINISTRY

John Mattern 2022-2

COMMITTEES

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Vance Kupisch 2022-1

Jaela McQuillan 2022-1

Christine Walker 2022-2

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Alruthus Dulin 2022-2

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Kimme Nuckles 2022-2

Mike Stone 2022-2

2023 Biographies



Charles Nebus - Board of Directors, Vice-Chair

Chuck retired in 2020, after 46 years of joyful and fulfilling service in Law Enforcement. He served six years as the Director of Public Safety for Police and Fire Services in Farmington, and for 10 years as the Police Chief in Farmington Hills. Chuck is a graduate of the Michigan State Police and FBI National Academies. He is a former police academy instructor and regular panel member at the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, New Police Chief School. He is the past president of the Oakland County and Southeast Michigan Chiefs of Police. Chuck and his wife Roberta met in high school and have been happily married for 46 years. They attend Farmington Hills Church of God, have two sons, and two grandchildren. Chuck recently served as the Chair of the church’s Pastoral Search Committee. He is currently authoring a book on Christian Leadership and seeks a future serving in God’s Kingdom.



James Matt - Board of Directors, Secretary

James Matt is the Bi-Vocational Pastor who has been serving as the Senior Pastor at Bethany Church of God in Sterling Heights, Michigan for the last 20 years. He has a business degree and a biblical degree from Rochester University, and a Master in Christian Ministry from Anderson University. James is also working on his doctorate in Leadership Transformation from Ashland Theological Seminary. James is married to his wife Beth for over 43 years, and has three adult children, Laurie, Sarah and Samuel along with nine grandchildren.



Wendell Thompson - Board of Directors

Wendell Thompson has been the senior Pastor at First Church of God in Romeo, Michigan since 2012. He was ordained in 1998 and served as the assistant pastor at Holbrook Avenue prior to going to Romeo. Where he also taught Sunday School and ushered. Wendell is also currently the President of The Genesee County Area Ministers. Wendell has been married for 33 years to Sheryl.

They have a blended family of five children, four grandchildren and one great grandchild and is a certified handler of a therapy dog. He and Sheryl have been participating in Mission trips since 2000 and also lead a senior Bible study group at a senior facility in Flint. Wendell loves the Lord and ministering to God's people.



Ed Whitaker - Board of Directors

My name is Ed Whitaker and I've lived my entire life east of Ithaca, Michigan. I was born on a farm and following High School, spent two years in the military. After that, I began farming for the next 25 years. During this time, I was State Representative for a Seed Corn Company, served ten years on the Michigan Corn Growers Board, and served as a Township Supervisor for many years.

In the early 1990's I started a company called "Quality Equipment" specializing in transportation of farm equipment. I've attended the Edgewood Church of God nearly all my life, where I have served as both Board Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Through the church, I have participated in seven work missions including a trip to Alaska, Alberta Canada and Barbados.

The last ten years I have been both Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the St. Louis Church of God Campground.



Joshua Brandt - Credentials Ministry

Joshua Brandt has committed his life to help leaders become who God created them to be. His experiences in 27 years of ministry have allowed him a unique perspective on what it means to lead a church in this season. While he is focused on church leaders, Joshua also believes that helping churches fully understand the power available through Holy Spirit, the depth of Scripture, and the importance of healthy systems creates an atmosphere for spiritual health.

Through serving on Credentials teams for nearly a decade, Joshua has witnessed how these moments are instrumental in the care and development of our pastors. His involvement with the national Committee on Credentials has allowed him to witness the struggles and victories that leaders are experiencing throughout the Movement. In short, Joshua believes that credentials should be focused on caring for our pastors and churches.

Joshua and Laura celebrated 25 years of marriage this summer and are parents to three adult daughters. Joshua serves as Lead Pastor of Pennway Church of God in Lansing, Michigan.



Chariese Matthews - Credentials Ministry

Rev. Chariese Matthews is the Associate Pastor and networks in leadership at the South Side Church of God, in Pontiac, where her husband, Rev. Shelton E. Matthews, is the Lead Pastor. The experiences they have shared in ministry together, have been overwhelming. Rev. Matthews was raised in the Michigan area at the Southwestern Church of God. Rev. Chariese received formal training for ministry from local Bible Colleges, in the Michigan area. Receiving her "Bachelor of Theology" and "Masters in Ministry" from the California School of Ministry, Detroit Campus. Never has she regretted preparation for the mandate to handle the "Gospel." Through her youth and young adult years at Southwestern, she learned to love God's people, to lead by example from the truth in his "Word," and to be loyal to the Lord, as King in her life. She says, "It's awesome to be reminded of each blessing God has given, as the results of answering this call to the ministry of proclaiming the Gospel." She and her husband celebrated 45 years of marriage in August. They reside in Pontiac, Michigan and have pastored the South Side Church for the past 35 years, this November. They have three adult children and nine grandchildren, who are their pride and joy!



Tim Broyles - Pastoral Health Ministry

Tim was ordained in 2006 in the Indiana Ministries of the Church of God where he worshipped and served many years at Church at the Crossing in Indianapolis. He moved to the Ann Arbor area in 2017 to join the ministry team at Dexter United Methodist Church. Tim says, "I see my role as anything to help adults take the next step in their spiritual journey. This may start with getting a warm welcome in their first visit to church, to participating in Sunday classes or home groups, in-depth Bible studies, or to using their gifts to serve in the church. Nothing excites me more in ministry than seeing people grow in their understanding of God's grace and work in their lives." Tim's ministry to the Church of God has also included being on the board of two church plants and being involved in a SHAPE cluster. He has a heart the wellbeing of pastors and ministry partners.



Trevor Moody - Youth Ministry

My name is Trevor Moody. I was born and raised in Dayton, Ohio until 2021 when I moved to Niles, Michigan to pursue Student Ministry. I went to Sinclair Community College where I received my Associates in History, and then completed two Internships through Intern Academy for Student Ministry. I have a passion for students as well as photography and videography!



Heidi Rysko - Youth Ministry

My husband and I have lived in Charlotte, Michigan for four years, since he became the pastor of South Cochran Church of God.

We have been married for 21 years and have five teenagers. Our oldest three children are 19, then a 17yr old and a 15yr old.

I work full time at Charlotte High School as an Administrative Assistant. I am also attending college full time through Mid-America Christian University, where I plan to get my masters in counseling.



Veronica Roesly - Youth Ministry

I am Pastor Veronica Roesly. I have been married to Pastor Gerald Roesly for twenty-nine years this year. I have two beautiful children and one amazing daughter-in-law. I have my Bachelor of Christian Ministry and my Master of Ministry through Mid-America Christian University. I am in the process of my Master of Divinity through Anderson University and my Doctorate in Ministry through South University. I have been in ministry since 2007 and ministry in the Church of God Anderson since 2012. My life passion is to walk alongside God's people, preparing them for what God has called them to do through Engaging God's people, Empowering them to step out, Equipping them with the tools to succeed, and Employing them into God's kingdom for His purpose. It is my honor and privilege to work alongside the youth of Michigan.



Robin Cook - Audit Committee

My background includes the following: I have an associates degree in accounting, and a SHRM certification in HR. I was the firm administrator for 25 years for an accounting firm in Okemos, Michigan and then spent the last five years of my career as an HR associate in a larger accounting firm. Both firms were audit based firms. I have attended Pennway Church of God for more than 40 years and am currently their financial administrator. I am married to Wayne and we have two adult children and seven grandchildren.



Mary Hirakis - Audit Committee

Mary Hirakis spent her entire life at North Avenue Church of God in Battle Creek, where she now serves as Executive Pastor. After retiring as Staff Accountant for the City of Battle Creek, she was encouraged to become ordained. Her ministry now is state-wide in helping boards meet legal and ethical standards. She is organized and detail-oriented, and she offers a lifetime of experience in leadership roles within her community and congregation.



Vance Kupish - Audit Committee

Vance Kupisch has attended the West Court Street Church of God in Flint since he was a teenager. He and his wife Carrie were married at West Court 60 years ago, this year, by Herb Thompson. Vance is a Registered Land Surveyor and started work as a co-op student in his senior year in high school and retired 41 years later as part owner. He has held the position as treasurer at West Court for many years along with other professional organizations on the state and local area. Vance has also served on the Youth and Church Extension Committees for the State Assembly.



Jaela McQuillan - Audit Committee

Jaela McQuillan is the platelet program manager for Versiti Blood Centers, a nonprofit blood center with a five state service footprint. Jaela enjoys camping and hiking with her husband, Nicholas, and two kids, Arlo and Sylvie. She has been honored to serve on the Audit Committee for the last three years.



Julie Wiseman - Business Committee

My name is Julie Allen Wiseman, Pastor Julie to the people of Eagle Ridge Church of God. I am originally from Dayton, Ohio, and graduated from a Christian college in Illinois. I later moved to Michigan and have been there for most of my adult life. I was ordained in 2000 and am currently the Associate Pastor of Administration and Worship at Eagle Ridge Church of God in Midland. I am also blessed to work with our missionaries, Tim and Colleen Stevenson in support of the TAPP program that trains people in Uganda in Micro-home based industry, along with working on the Midland Regional Human Trafficking Task Force.

I have three children and their wonderful spouses along with seven beautiful grandchildren. I recently lost a grandson to a tragic accident. He was my daughter's middle child. This loss has impacted our family greatly. We rely on God's help every day to move forward since this loss.

At Eagle Ridge, I am challenged to constantly be on the look-out for who God was bringing up in the church. I love to give young people in our church the opportunity to develop the gifts that God has given them.



Alruthus Dulin - Personnel Committee

Alruthus Dulin is a retired banker. She spent 40 years working mainly in Retail Banking. Her primary responsibility was Customer Service; interacting with customers and responding to their financial needs. The last ten years of her banking career were spent in Administration, including Banking Operations, Branch Administration and Human Resources. As a human resources consultant, her duties included advising and supporting managers in personnel matters, including employee performance reviews and salary reviews. She retired in 2010. Alruthus has been a member of Metropolitan Church of God since 1988 where she has served as treasurer of the CWC (WCG), as a choir member, scholarship committee member and as a volunteer in the Church's Credit Union. She serves as treasurer of Ministers and Laity United. She enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren, traveling and reading both fiction and non-fiction. She is a "news junkie" and enjoys following and being informed about American politics.



Greg Gordon - Personnel Committee

Greg Gordon CCA is the Executive Pastor of Operations at First Church of God in Saint Joseph, Michigan. He has served there as COO and CFO for 23 years. Prior to working at the church, Greg managed Point O' Woods Country Club for 19 years and Whirlpool Corporation's managerial training center for two years. He is a Certified Church Administrator (CCA). He has served on the Board of The Church Network (TCN) (formerly called The National Association of Church Business Administration). He enjoys golf, fishing, family, and friends. Greg is married to his high school sweetheart Paula. They have one son named Taylor.

General Assembly Finances

Revenue

	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Unrestricted						
General Budget	340,000.00	348,086.71	340,000.00	259,650.40	76.37%	340,000.00
Interest – CDs, MM, etc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Loan Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Total Unrestricted	\$340,000.00	\$348,086.71	\$340,000.00	\$259,650.40	76.37%	\$340,000.00

	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Temporarily Restricted						
Benevolence/Disaster Relief	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,640.00	0.00%	0.00
Michigan Kingdom Builders	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Regional Pastors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Youth Ministry	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	200.00	0.00%	0.00
Church Multiplication	8,000.00	9,699.57	8,000.00	14,142.94	176.79%	\$8,000.00
Ministry to Ministers	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Transformations	15,000.00	15,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	100.00%	7,000.00
Other Income	0.00	42,610.36	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Lifelong Learning	3,500.00	3,750.00	3,500.00	3,600.00	102.86%	\$3,500.00
Total Temporarily Restricted	\$26,500.00	\$72,059.93	\$18,500.00	\$29,582.94	159.91%	\$18,500.00

	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Investments						
Land Contract principal	275,036.01	13,653.68	275,036.01	16,705.69	6.07%	6,156.08
Land Contract Interest	14,545.00	12,993.87	2,224.24	1,691.73	76.06%	2,224.24
Revolving Loan Fund Endowment Interest	480.00	387.07	245.00	48.35	19.73%	245.00
Promissory Notes Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
General Budget Investments	10,000.00	14,456.06	10,000.00	-50,699.28	-506.99%	10,000.00
Total Investments	\$300,061.01	\$41,481.68	\$287,505.25	-\$32,253.51	-11.22%	\$18,625.32

Total Budget Revenue	\$666,561.01	\$461,628.32	\$646,005.25	\$256,979.83	39.78%	\$377,125.32
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Registrations	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
360 Ministry Leadership Conference	12,000.00	5,238.23	12,000.00	7,039.75	58.66%	12,000.00
Ministers Retreat	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	4,495.00	224.75%	4,000.00
Ministry Wives Retreat	4,000.00	2,835.00	4,000.00	3,260.00	81.50%	4,000.00
Youth Winter Retreat	40,000.00	727.95	40,000.00	23,258.00	58.15%	40,000.00
State Youth Convention	16,000.00	18,419.67	16,000.00	82.00	0.51%	16,000.00
MI Student Ldrshp Institute	4,000.00	2,255.00	4,000.00	1,330.00	33.25%	4,000.00
Annual General Assembly	40,000.00	30,540.75	40,000.00	16,540.00	41.35%	40,000.00
Other Events/Registrations	2,000.00	750.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00%	2,000.00
Total Registrations	\$120,000.00	\$60,766.60	\$120,000.00	\$56,004.75	46.67%	\$122,000.00

Property Management	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Gain/Loss Sale of Property	0.00	-7,540.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Big Rapids Rent	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Cash receipts church dissolutions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Property Sale	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Total Property Management	\$0.00	-\$7,540.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00

Endowments	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
B. Gale Hetrick Memorial	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Ministry Renewal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
New Works Fellowship	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Older Adult	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Pastoral Family Enrichment	0.00	100.00	0.00	230.00	0.00%	0.00
Revolving Loan Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Revolving Loan Principal	4,630.00	5,494.98	3,200.00	6,975.58	217.99%	0.00
Endowment Investments	20,000.00	31,259.20	20,000.00	-134,211.08	-671.06%	20,000.00
Life Insurance Annuity	0.00	561.36	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Total Endowments	\$24,630.00	\$37,415.54	\$23,200.00	-\$126,600.50	-545.69%	\$20,000.00

Designated Assets	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
B. Gale Hetrick Memorial						
Endowment	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Ministry Renewal Endowment	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
New Works Endowment	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
General Fund Investments	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	40,000.00	0.00%	0.00
Total Designated	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	0.00%	\$0.00

Total Revenue	\$861,191.01	\$552,270.46	\$789,205.25	\$226,384.08	28.69%	\$519,125.32
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Expense

	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Church Health Ministry						
Institute for Servant (iSL and ASL)	2,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	0.00%	4,000.00
Transformations	15,000.00	15,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	100.00%	7,000.00
Healthy Growing Churches	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	100.00%	12,500.00
Mission 120	5,000.00	2,503.93	2,500.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Church Health Admin.	1,500.00	299.66	1,000.00	253.68	19.98%	1,000.00
Church Health Minister	6,500.00	3,704.90	5,000.00	4,989.09	99.78%	5,500.00
Total Church Health	\$40,000.00	\$31,508.49	\$29,500.00	\$22,242.77	75.40%	\$30,000.00

	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Pastoral Health Ministry						
Lifelong Learning	2,000.00	1,392.22	2,000.00	7,144.16	357.21%	2,000.00
Spiritual Direction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Scholarships	1,200.00	1,000.00	2,500.00	1,615.00	64.60%	2,500.00
Pastoral Health Admin.	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,490.00	99.33%	1,500.00
Total Pastoral Health	\$4,700.00	\$2,392.22	\$6,000.00	\$10,249.16	170.82%	\$6,000.00

	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Youth Ministry						
Children's Ministry Task Force	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	1,541.90	77.10%	2,000.00
Youth Camp Scholarships	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00%	3,000.00
MI Singers Honorarium	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	100.00%	3,000.00
Student Scholarships	1,500.00	1,100.00	1,500.00	190.00	12.67%	1,500.00
Youth Ministry Development	1,800.00	1,252.81	1,800.00	808.21	69.60%	1,800.00
Youth Ministry Admin.	1,700.00	1,653.87	1,700.00	2,018.63	118.74%	1,700.00
Total Youth Ministry	\$13,000.00	\$10,006.68	\$13,000.00	\$7,558.74	58.14%	\$13,000.00

	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Credentials Ministry						
Ministerial Dvpmt Seminar	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Background Checks	1,000.00	460.88	1,000.00	724.33	72.43%	1,000.00
Interim Ministry	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00%	500.00
Leadership Focus	5,000.00	5,400.00	5,000.00	1,500.00	30.00%	5,000.00
Credentials Administration	3,500.00	2,392.80	3,500.00	1,682.13	48.06%	3,500.00
Total Credentials Ministry	\$10,000.00	\$8,253.68	\$10,000.00	\$3,906.46	39.06%	\$10,000.00

Assembly Operations	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Ministry Promotion	4,000.00	4,127.37	5,000.00	5,871.35	117.43%	5,000.00
Benevolence/Compassion	1,000.00	817.28	1,000.00	7,879.10	787.91%	1,000.00
Regional Pastors	40,000.00	36,273.29	40,000.00	27,996.48	69.99%	40,000.00
Legal Services	4,000.00	567.30	4,000.00	715.00	17.88%	4,000.00
Audit Review	9,000.00	8,950.00	9,500.00	8,950.00	94.21%	9,500.00
Books/Supplies	1,000.00	239.83	1,000.00	267.18	26.72%	1,000.00
General Assembly Admin.	16,500.00	8,999.56	16,500.00	17,691.52	107.22%	16,500.00
Bad Debt Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Investment Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00%	1,000.00
Total Assembly Operations	\$76,500.00	\$60,974.63	\$78,000.00	\$69,370.63	88.94%	\$78,000.00

Personnel	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Salaries						
State Pastor	61,110.00	61,110.00	65,922.00	49,441.50	75.00%	75,110.00
State Pastor Housing	35,125.00	35,125.20	35,125.00	26,343.90	75.00%	36,850.00
Church Health Minister	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	7,500.00	75.00%	10,000.00
Office Staff	20,000.00	12,480.00	20,000.00	9,828.00	49.14%	14,520.00
Finance/Media Director	55,152.00	55,152.00	57,910.00	43,432.47	75.00%	64,164.00
Total Salaries	\$181,387.00	\$173,867.20	\$188,957.00	\$136,545.87	72.26%	\$200,644.00
Benefits						
Pensions-Admin	10,700.00	10,585.80	11,200.00	8,336.34	74.43%	\$12,320.00
Pensions-Clerical	6,100.00	6,066.72	6,400.00	4,777.56	74.65%	7,060.00
Social Security Admin.	7,500.00	8,757.36	9,600.00	6,820.65	71.05%	10,100.00
Employer's FICA Expense	4,500.00	4,219.11	4,500.00	3,322.53	73.83%	4,920.00
Disability Ins-State Pastor	1,500.00	1,098.30	1,500.00	1,098.30	73.22%	1,500.00
Professional Development	6,000.00	2,975.87	6,000.00	896.00	14.93%	6,000.00
Total Benefits	\$36,300.00	\$33,703.16	\$39,200.00	\$25,251.38	64.42%	\$41,900.00

Office	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Office Supplies	3,000.00	520.83	3,000.00	462.78	15.43%	3,000.00
Mobile	1,200.00	1,126.55	1,200.00	765.97	63.83%	1,200.00
Postage	1,500.00	803.09	1,500.00	1,048.80	69.92%	1,500.00
Information Technology	7,000.00	5,895.45	7,000.00	3,256.27	46.52%	7,000.00
Hospitality Supplies	3,500.00	701.94	3,500.00	363.39	10.38%	3,500.00
Total Office	\$16,200.00	\$9,047.86	\$16,200.00	\$5,897.21	36.40%	\$16,200.00

Overhead	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Insurance	6,000.00	6,196.27	6,000.00	4,648.81	77.48%	6,000.00
Utilities	4,000.00	3,097.67	4,000.00	2,455.41	61.39%	4,000.00
Building and Grounds	25,000.00	4,760.90	25,000.00	6,253.80	25.02%	25,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance	2,500.00	2,560.72	2,500.00	1,914.80	76.59%	3,500.00
Fuel Purchased	3,000.00	3,138.64	3,000.00	3,227.34	107.58%	4,000.00
Total Overhead	\$40,500.00	\$19,754.20	\$40,500.00	\$18,500.16	45.68%	\$42,500.00

Property Management	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Big Rapids Property	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Other Property	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	10,000.00
Total Property Management	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$10,000.00

Total Budget Expenses	\$418,587.00	\$349,508.12	\$421,357.00	\$299,522.38	71.09%	\$448,244.00
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Registrations	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
360 Ministry Leadership Conf.	16,500.00	12,849.43	17,000.00	16,593.34	97.61%	17,000.00
Ministers Retreat	14,000.00	14,499.55	14,000.00	19,030.87	135.93%	16,000.00
Ministry Wives Retreat	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	2,517.95	62.95%	4,000.00
Youth Winter Retreat	40,000.00	35,559.42	40,000.00	24,006.99	60.02%	40,000.00
State Youth Convention	16,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	502.68	3.14%	16,000.00
MI Student Ldrshp Institute	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	1,325.86	33.15%	4,000.00
Annual General Assembly	60,000.00	4,787.32	60,000.00	498.45	0.83%	60,000.00
Total Registrations	\$154,500.00	\$67,695.72	\$155,000.00	\$64,476.14	41.60%	\$157,000.00

Designated Assets	Annual 2021 Budget	Actual YTD Dec 31 '21 (100%)	Annual 2022 Budget	Actual YTD Sept 30 '22 (75%)	Percent of Budget	Proposed 2023 Budget
Ministry Renewal Endowment						
- CPE Scholarship	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	66.67%	1,500.00
- Ministerial Marriage Enrichment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
- Ministry to Ministers	6,000.00	3,495.00	6,000.00	7,560.00	126.00%	6,000.00
- Ministry Renewal Endowment	2,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	50.00%	2,000.00
- Ministry Wives Retreat	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00%	3,000.00
General Budget Investments						
- Church Transformations	35,000.00	28,490.88	35,000.00	16,122.59	46.06%	35,000.00
- Church Multiplication	35,000.00	37,029.46	111,000.00	77,202.62	69.55%	101,000.00
- Vehicle Purchase	25,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Total Designated	\$107,500.00	\$100,015.34	\$158,500.00	\$104,885.21	66.17%	\$148,500.00

Total Revenues	\$861,191.01	\$552,270.46	\$789,205.25	\$226,384.08	28.69%	\$519,125.32
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Total Expenses	\$680,587.00	\$517,219.18	\$734,857.00	\$468,883.73	63.81%	\$753,744.00
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General Assembly of the Church of God in Michigan-Investments

2022	Balance as of January 1	Fund/Transfer/ Withdraw	Balance as of September 30
General Budget Account	293,642.07	(40,000.00)	202,942.79
Revolving Loan Fund Account (core endowment principal: \$231,785.92) 2021 Revolving Loan principal payments reinvested \$0.00	254,039.39		205,707.55
Total with Ameriprise Financial, Inc.	\$547,681.46	(\$40,000.00)	\$408,650.34

Aspirean Wealth

B. Gale Hetrick Memorial Endowment (core endowment principal: \$67,087.49)	73,422.55		61,312.77
Ministry Renewal Endowment (core endowment principal: \$200,000.00)	249,725.59		208,734.30
New Works Fellowship Endowment (Multiplication) (core endowment principal: \$126,786.30)	158,341.98	(22,000.00)	112,504.68
Older Adult Endowment (core endowment principal: \$50,000.00)	54,476.21		45,532.15
Pastoral Family Enrichment Endowment (Annuity) (core endowment principal: \$100,000)	10,356.01		10,356.01
Total with Aspirean Wealth	\$546,322.34	(22,000.00)	\$438,439.91

PNC Financial Services Group

	Balance as of January 1	Fund/Transfer/ Withdraw	Balance as of September 30
Checking (General) non-interest	82,858.72		56,225.54
Money Market (Endowments)			
B. Gale Hetrick Memorial Endowment	15,510.87	(14,535.87)	975.33
Ministry Renewal Endowment	24,863.37	(6,281.52)	18,583.40
New Works Fellowship Endowment	16,538.70	0.00	16,540.01
Total Money Market (Endowments)	\$56,912.94		\$36,098.74
Total	\$139,771.66	(\$20,817.39)	\$92,324.28
Total Cash and Investments	\$1,233,775.46	(\$82,817.39)	\$939,414.53

2022 Endowment Expenses

B. Gale Hetrick Memorial	
Ministers Retreat	\$19,030.87
Ministry Renewal	
CPE Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Ministerial Marriage Enrichment	\$0.00
Ministry to Ministers	\$7,560.00
Ministry Renewal Endowment	\$3,000.00
Ministry Wives Retreat	\$2,517.95
New Works Fellowship	
Church Transformations	\$16,122.59
Multiplication	\$77,202.62
Total	\$126,434.03

Endowment Funds Available for Granting

Monies at PNC Bank Money Market Account

September 30, 2022 | \$36,098.74

B. Gale Hetrick Memorial - \$975.33

Ministry Renewal - \$18,583.40

New Works Fellowship - \$16,540.01

General Assembly of the Church of God in Michigan - September 30, 2022

Endowment Investments

\$644,147.46

Ministry Renewal Endowment

32% \$208,734.30

Revolving Loan Fund Endowment

32% \$205,707.55

Pastoral Family Enrichment Endowment

2% \$10,356.01

Older Adult Endowment

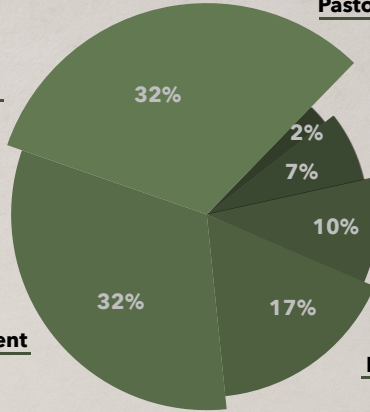
7% \$45,532.15

B. Gale Hetrick Memorial Endowment

10% \$61,312.77

New Works Fellowship Endowment

17% \$112,504.68



Asset Fund Allocation

\$939,414.53

Permanently Restricted

46% \$435,413.16

Unrestricted

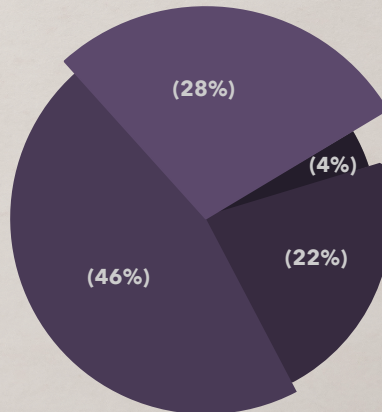
28% \$259,168.33

Temporarily Restricted

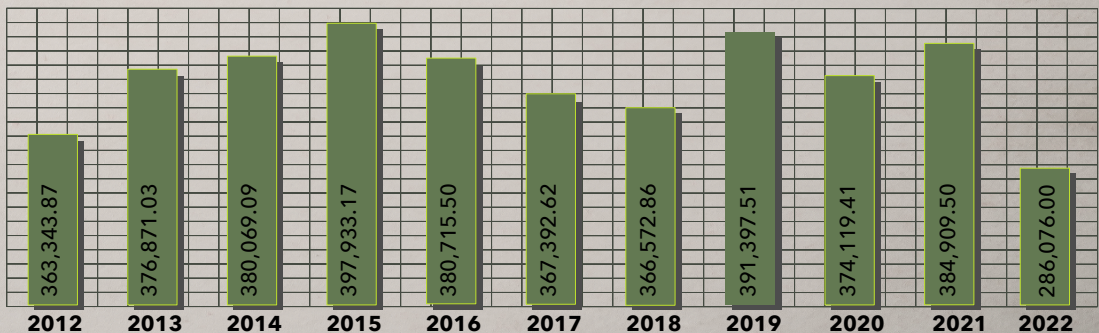
4% \$36,098.74

Unrestricted Board Designated

22% \$208,734.30



Congregational Giving



Statements of Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis
For the Years Ended 2017-2021

Statement Of Financial Position

December 31	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Assets					
Current Assets	1,729,369	1,568,531	1,532,955	1,570,895	1,557,588
Property and equipment	48,517	73,872	76,359	67,560	79,670
Property-multiplication	56,000	0	0	0	0
Prepaid Expenses	8,174	9,735	8,042	5,205	10,595
Total Assets	\$1,842,060	\$1,652,138	\$1,617,356	\$1,643,660	\$1,647,853
Liabilities & Net Assets					
Liabilities:					
Current Liabilities	5,872	7,131	7,689	666	666
Other Liabilities	15,629	9,052	20,699	3,213	14,346
PPP loan payable	-	-	-	41,100	-
Total Liabilities	\$21,501	\$16,183	\$28,388	\$44,979	\$15,012
Net Assets					
Without donor restrictions, undesignated - available for current operations	1,061,456	884,166	849,356	832,273	833,584
Without donor restrictions, designated - quasi-endowment funds	189,071	195,544	189,687	201,102	201,665
Without donor restrictions, designated - other funds	28,057	15,553	8,896	22,565	48,037
Total net assets without donor restrictions	\$1,278,584	\$1,095,263	\$1,047,939	\$1,055,940	\$1,083,286
With donor restrictions	541,975	540,692	541,029	542,741	549,555
Total Net Assets	\$1,820,559	\$1,635,955	\$1,588,968	\$1,598,681	\$1,632,841
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$1,842,060	\$1,652,138	\$1,617,356	\$1,643,660	\$1,647,853

This financial information was extracted from the reviewed financial statements of the General Assembly of the Church of God in Michigan. This does not include all disclosures normally associated with financial statements prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The complete financial statements for the General Assembly, including footnotes and the report of our accountants at Maner Costerisan are available to review upon request by email, micog@micog.org.

Lifetime Achievement



Rev. Richard Latham



Revs. Leo and Janell Robinson

Outstanding Service Award



Rev. Carl Baker



Rev. Jaime Cervantes



Rev. David and Jeannie Perry

Fifteen Years Serving at the same Congregation



Rev. David Colp

Kasee (Daughter in law), Jacob, Crystal, David, Caleb



Rev. Jerry Lyon

In Tribute to Michigan Church of God Ministers



Rev. Philip Palmer
November 11, 2020



Rev. William A. Miller
November 5, 2021



Rev. Dr. Gerald G. Nevitt
December 7, 2021



Rev. Paul Pakizer
December 22, 2021



Rev. Jerry Webb
January 9, 2022



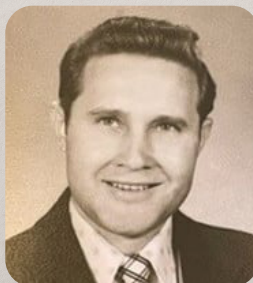
Rev. F. Herbert Smith
January 22, 2022



Rev. Philip L. Darling
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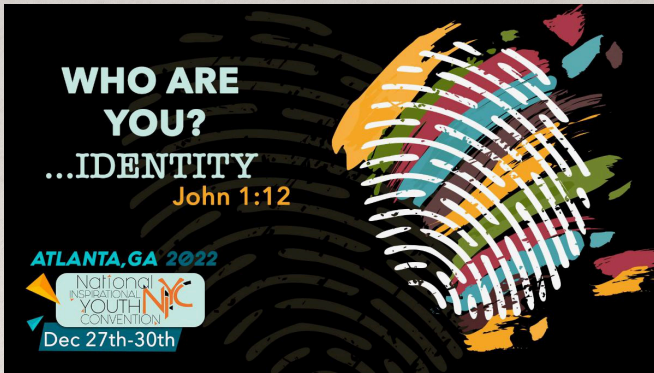
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