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Welcome from the Central Conference Executive Board Chair

Dear Central Conference Family:

Hello! If you are like me, you might quickly flip past this first letter of the packet in favor of the meatier and much more interesting pages that follow. Which is exactly what I hope you do. By the grace and power of God, there is much going on in the Central Conference – within our churches and organizations, through our people and here at the Celebration. And these are all very deserving of your attention.



For those of you who are still reading, please allow me to welcome you to Celebration 2018, the 132nd Annual Meeting of the Central Conference, and to share a few thoughts and sentiments.

THANK YOU

...for your partnership and service, the selfless giving of your time and resources and for your commitment to your church, the conference, the denomination and the body of Christ.

ENGAGE

...in our worship and celebration, in our business meeting, in our breakout sessions, in our fellowship and with one another. If you are new to this meeting, I encourage you to meet one new person. (And we're so glad you joined us!)

PRAY

...for your brothers and sisters, for our congregations, for the conference and the denomination and for the big wide world outside our four walls.

RECEIVE

...his grace, his love, his power, his exhortation. And did I mention his grace?

I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to the Glen Ellyn Covenant Church, our gracious hosts. Your care and hospitality and the loving service of all your volunteers is so deeply appreciated.

And thanks and praise be to God. May he be honored and glorified through this time of Celebration.

In Him,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Rebecca C. Nakamura".

Rebecca C. Nakamura
Chair, Central Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church

Welcome from Glen Ellyn Covenant Church



13 March 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you for being a delegate to *Celebration '18*, the Annual Meeting of the Central Conference!

As a member of the Covenant since our founding in 1946, our congregation is delighted to host you this year. Simply put, our mission as a church is "Living God's Love." We want to BE FORMED by God's love, BELONG to a community marked by God's love, and BE PART of God's mission of love. I look forward to the opportunity to share with you one of the ways our congregation has experienced formation, belonging and mission through our partnership with two immigrant congregations who share space and ministry with us.

Formation. Community. Mission. It is my hope and prayer that you will experience each of these things as we gather to *Celebrate*. I urge you to be in prayer as you prepare for our time together: for the inspiration of God's Word, rich communion with Christ and one another, and a renewed imagination for joining the Holy Spirit in the work of the kingdom, both locally and globally.

I look forward to seeing you April 27 and 28! Until then, remember that you are God's beloved!

Grace and peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Langer".



Mike Langer, Senior Pastor
Glen Ellyn Covenant Church

Welcome from the Central Conference Ministerial Association Chair

Dear Colleagues in Covenant ministry,

It is my pleasure to welcome you on behalf of the Central Conference Ministerial Association (CCMA). The CCMA serves The Evangelical Covenant Church, the member churches and camps of the Central Conference, as well as all the ministers serving the churches of the Central Conference.



Anyone holding Covenant credentials (licensure, commission, or ordination) in our conference is a member of the CCMA, and we encourage each member to attend our Annual Meeting and Fall Retreat, as well as the Covenant's Midwinter Conference and Annual Meetings, if possible. We encourage pastors and ministers serving our churches without credentials to pursue credentialing with the Covenant, and to attend our events as well.

The CCMA is charged with three areas of care:

Caring for our Fellowship. We do this primarily through two meetings a year: our annual meeting in the spring, and our Fall retreat.

Caring for our Continuing Education. We uphold this value at each of our meetings by inviting regional and national leaders to speak to us on topics related to our lives as vocational ministers.

Caring for our Ordination. We do this by forming a Committee on Ministerial Standing (COMS) to assist ministers and our national church body in the process of securing ministry credentials.

Holding Covenant Credentials carries both privileges and responsibilities. **We attend** our Conference Meetings if possible, and send a word of greeting when we cannot. **We serve** on committees that further our common work. And **we maintain** good standing in the Covenant Ministerium, which encompasses.

- Paying dues of \$125 per year to the CCMA, which is split between our national church body and the conference;
- Completing the annual Vocational Growth Survey;
- Updating the Covenant Profile once every three years; and
- Maintaining healthy relationships with their Covenant Ministry Colleagues.

Thank you for joining us this weekend! God bless you in your service and ministry to his kingdom's goals!

In Christ Jesus,

Rick Lindholtz, CCMA Chair

Welcome from the President of the Evangelical Covenant Church



The Evangelical Covenant Church



March 2018

TO: Celebration 2018 of the Central Conference
Rev. Danny Martinez, Superintendent
Ms. Rebecca Nakamura, Conference Chair

Grace and peace to you as you gather in the bond of Christ with other churches of the Central Conference.

Each and every one of our 11 regional conferences is vital to our overall Covenant life and mission, as is your own congregation. Indeed, we talk about being 3StrandStrong: Congregation, Conference, Covenant. Our one Covenant is comprised of 11 regions with 875 congregations, with all parties partnering to go deeper in Christ and further in mission.

As I prepare to retire this upcoming summer, I want to thank the Central Conference and your church for your commitment to our three-strand partnership.

We base our collective efforts around five focused mission priorities. Together, we start and strengthen churches; make and deepen disciples; develop leaders; love mercy and do justice; and serve globally. Collectively, we are a growing, multi-generational, multi-ethnic mosaic of churches impacting more lives in more ways than at any point in our 133-year history.

Yet we know the Kingdom of God moves forward only one way: through countless faithful acts carried out by countless faithful people. And therein lies my greatest appreciation for who we are, a fellowship less intent on calling attention to itself than it is to point people to Christ. Yes, maybe we are a small obscure denomination that no one has ever heard of, but to the people we serve, we are the hands and feet of Jesus bringing and being the good news of new life and renewed hope.

And let me say a special word of appreciation for your superintendent, Rev. Danny Martinez. All our leaders, including Danny, are people of great character, competence, and Christ-honoring conviction. Pray for Danny regularly, as I hope you would for your conference and for the Covenant.

In addition to this gathering, please make it a priority for your church to be represented at the Covenant Annual Meeting, June 21-23, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. This will be an especially consequential year as we elect a new ECC president, as well as a new president for North Park University and an executive minister for our Develop Leaders priority.

Every position I have held in my 42 years of Covenant service has been a distinct honor. Thank you for your support and partnership, and may God continue to lead us into a faithful and fruitful future.

In It Together,

Gary B. Walter
President

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Delegate Orientation

Welcome to the Annual Meeting of the Central Conference churches! Each year we come together to discern God's plan for our collective ministry, and as a delegate, you have a very important role in that task.

Two Roles of a Delegate:

Participate – attend the business session, discuss the initiatives and issues, and cast your vote.

Report – note the actions taken, and update your home church on the decisions and ministries.

PARTICIPATE

Although the business session is limited to Saturday, we encourage you to be present for all the elements that will bring us together to worship, celebrate, work, learn, and share.

The individual delegate is the “building block” of the meeting. You are empowered to receive reports, approve recommendations, and to question or debate the issues. Following are tips to participation as delegate, and a brief overview of parliamentary procedure.

Tips to participation:

- Arrive on time for the business sessions.
- Listen carefully for both the relevance to your home church, and the collective movement of the ministry.
- Keep your name badge with you – this is your “credentials check” for validating your vote.
- Silence may be interpreted as consent and you have a responsibility to speak if you think something is not proper or not wise for the conference.
- During debate, comments should relate to the issue under discussion and focus on the merits of the issue, not the motives or merits of the person.

Overview of parliamentary procedure:

- Approach the microphone. A distance of two or three inches works well.
- Wait to be recognized by the moderator (in this case, the Conference chairperson serves as moderator).
- Identify yourself. Example: “Jane Doe, Antler Covenant Church, Fawn Lake, Wisconsin”.
- Address the moderator about the topic at hand, and speak clearly in your normal tone of voice.
- Conclude your comments within three minutes. You have two opportunities to speak on any one issue.

REPORT

As a representative delegate of your home church, you contribute comments and cast votes on behalf of your local congregation. It is important to report the decisions and direction of the Annual Meeting to them. Use the following ideas for reporting the news:

- Request a “ministry moment” during the Sunday worship service to share your experience and the decisions of the Annual Meeting in relevant areas of ministry.
- Author a brief article for the church newsletter.
- Prepare a bulletin insert that highlights conference ministries and meeting decisions.
- Offer to meet with your church council or board to brief them on regional activities and opportunities to participate.

A Brief Glossary of Common Parliamentary Terms

AMEND, MOVE TO. Most motions may be amended on the floor of the Meeting, particularly when they deal with the business rather than the procedures of the Meeting. All amendments must be germane to the original motion. Amendments can be made in three (3) ways: addition, deletion, or substitution. When an amendment has been seconded, it must be debated and decided, or otherwise dealt with, before the motion it seeks to amend may be further considered.

APPEAL FROM THE RULING OF THE MODERATOR. A delegate is testing the Moderator's ruling against the opinion of the Meeting. The motion to appeal requires a second. An affirmative vote by the Meeting sustains the Moderator's ruling.

BALLOT, TO ORDER THE VOTE ON A PENDING QUESTION TO BE TAKEN BY. The Bylaws and Rules specify that certain questions be decided by ballot. Questions other than these may also be decided by ballot if a majority of the Meeting concurs with a request from a delegate for it.

DIVISION OF THE ASSEMBLY. This is a vote by rising. It may be demanded by any delegate to verify a vote taken by voice or by a show of hands, or may be ordered by the Moderator when a show of hands or by voice has been "too close to call." If it is still not possible to discern the outcome visually, the Moderator may order a count by the Sergeants-at-Arms. A majority of the Meeting may also order a count.

INFORMATION, POINT OF. Asking a question about the business at hand.

MR. OR MADAME MODERATOR. The traditional form for addressing the Moderator from the floor of the Meeting.

ORDER, POINT OF. A delegate calls the Moderator's attention to a possible breach of the Rules. If the delegate is not satisfied with the Moderator's subsequent explanation, he or she may appeal if the point has been raised concerning an actual ruling of the Moderator.

PARLIAMENTARIAN. An advisor to the Moderator and Members of the Assembly on Parliamentary Law.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY, POINT OF. Asking a question about the application of the Rules in the business at hand.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE, POINT OF. A delegate believes that his or her rights or the rights of another are being infringed upon.

POSTPONE TO A CERTAIN TIME. A delegate may move to postpone the item under discussion until a later point in the Meeting. The motion requires a second and is debatable.

PREVIOUS QUESTION, MOVE THE. A motion to cut off debate on an issue which requires a second, and a two-thirds majority. An affirmative vote merely cuts off debate and is not a vote on the motion under debate.

PUTTING THE QUESTION. Taking a vote.

RECONSIDER, MOVE TO. A Motion to reconsider an item previously voted upon may be made at any time, though it may have to wait until other business has been dealt with before it can be taken up. If a majority decides that the item previously voted upon will be reconsidered, debate on it re-opens, and another vote is taken or it is otherwise disposed of, by referral, etc.) The motion to reconsider has unique characteristics: it may be made only by a delegate who originally voted with the prevailing side on the item; it may be made no later than the day following the original vote; it cannot apply to an item when provisions of it have already begun to be carried out (such as the signing of a contract); and it cannot be itself reconsidered.

REFER, MOVE TO. (Not to be confused with a motion to table.) A referred motion goes to a Board or Committee as designated by the Motion to Refer. It requires a second and is debatable.

SECOND. A seconder need not agree with the motion or vote for it. The seconder need only agree that the motion deserves the attention of the Meeting.

SUSPEND THE RULES. It is possible to suspend a rule that is standing in the way of accomplishing what the Meeting clearly wants to do either by motion or by unanimous consent. Bylaws may not be suspended unless they are in the nature of “rules of order.” This is a complex issue, with each instance subject to the interpretation and ruling of the Chair.

TABLE, MOVE TO. (Or “LAY ON THE TABLE.”) Unlike a referred motion, a tabled motion goes nowhere. No one considers it, or studies it, or does anything with it until a motion passes to “take it from the table.” If this does not happen at this Annual Meeting, the motion is dead; i.e., we could not move to “take something from the table” that was put on the table at a previous Annual Meeting.

-Adapted from “Delegate Orientation for the 2005 Covenant Annual Meeting”

Meeting Standing Rules of the Central Conference

Governing Documents

The Conference-adopted written authorities that govern the Annual Meeting of the Central Conference are the Conference Constitution and Bylaws and the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order*. The Conference Annual Meeting is additionally governed by applicable rules of the Evangelical Covenant Church and the Illinois Nonprofit Corporation Act.

Standing Rules

Robert's provides, however, that a given meeting of delegates may establish its own standing rules of order to meet its specific needs. These standing rules supplement the written authorities. The general provisions of *Robert's* apply in every situation not specifically addressed by or superseded by the standing rules or other governing documents.

1. Obtaining the Floor -- Only persons wearing appropriate credentials as delegates, advisory delegates, or resource persons may be present on the floor of the Annual Meeting or request speaking privileges. With the exception of points of order, points of personal privilege, and other such items, which require urgent attention, only those persons who approach a microphone shall be recognized by the Moderator.
2. Voting – Voting on a motion brought by a delegate will typically be by voice vote. Any delegate may request a secret ballot, which when supported by a seconding or ten percent of the delegates, will be implemented. The Moderator may call for a secret ballot at any vote.
3. Time Limits
 - 3.1. Reports that contain no proposal for action by the meeting shall be limited to five (5) minutes, including the questions period, with the exception of conference staff and the conference treasurer.
 - 3.2. Debate of any main motion, including its subsidiary motions, will be limited to thirty (30) minutes except as otherwise specified in the agenda. No amendment or other subsidiary motion to a main motion shall be allowed until after the first 10 minutes of debate of the main motion.
 - 3.3. No speech in debate may exceed three (3) minutes, though a delegate desiring to extend remarks may seek permission of the meeting to do so.
 - 3.4. Time limits may be extended for a specific period by a two-thirds majority vote.
4. Debate – Delegates may speak once to an issue, and not again on the same issue as long as someone else, who has not yet had a turn, is seeking the floor. Once a delegate has spoken a second time the delegate has used up rights of debate on that issue.
5. Submission of Motions – All main motions and amendments shall be submitted in writing to the secretary. Motions arising from the floor during the course of the approved agenda are in order as long as they pertain directly to the business at hand. All other items must be prepared in writing and submitted in advance to the Moderator who may or may not ask permission of the Meeting to add them to the agenda in the order to be received.

6. Nominations from the Floor – Persons placing names in nomination shall obtain the prior permission of the nominee and shall so state at the time of nomination. A brief biography, similar to that provided by the Nomination Commission nominated candidate(s), may be presented to the Moderator prior to the vote, and read to the delegates at the discretion of the Moderator.
7. Honorary and Advisory Delegates – Honorary delegates shall have the privilege of voice but not vote in the assembly. The Moderator may recognize resource persons designated by the Executive Board to make reports or address delegate questions.
8. Non-Business Agenda Items – With respect to the adopted agenda, the Moderator has discretion to revise the order of agenda items at appropriate times to accommodate scheduling needs and the inclusion of no-business good news updates.

Minutes from the 131st Annual Meeting of the Central Conference

CENTRAL CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING

MEETING MINUTES

Lafayette, IN April 28, 2017

Business Session #1

4-5 pm

Chairperson Dan Teefey, presiding

1. Call to Order - Chair Dan Teefey read from Hebrews 10:22
2. Greeting & Prayer: Pastor Stacey Littlefield welcomed all, prayed for our time together.
3. Welcome, Recognitions, and Acknowledgements
4. Organization of Meeting
 - Adoption of Standing Rules - MM, 2nd, MC
 - Adoption of Agenda - MM, 2nd, MC
 - Appointment of meeting committees & officers.
 - Tellers - Kirsten Wagineus, Theresa Marks, Chris Hagberg
 - Sergeant-at-Arms: Joanne Nelson, Andre Rhoden, Chad Wible, Lloyd Colar, and Steve Peterson
 - Parliamentarian: Bill Orris
 - Credentialing Committee: Norma Ramos

Coming from Exec Board, no motion needed - Accepted

5. Approval of 2016 Annual Meeting minutes - MM, 2nd, MC

6. First Credential Report

Elected Board Members - **8**
Delegates from churches - **79**
Total General - 87

Non-elected Executive Board - **2**
Guests - **2**
Covenant Organizations - **9**
Staff - **5**
General Attendees - **24**
Total Additional Attendees - 42
Total Attendees - 129
Churches Represented: 50

7. Presentations from the Evangelical Covenant Church

- **Covenant Trust** - Peter Heintzelman shared encouraging words, and invited us to pick up information from table in foyer owned by members of Covenant.
- **National Covenant Properties** - Angel Sinchi - investments and loan source; real estate training at little or no cost.

8. Introduction to **Three Strand Strong** - Cecilia Williams (ECC, Exec Minister of LMDJ);

Greetings from President Gary Walter and entire ECC staff. Thank you!
Theme: Three Strand Strong - we are in it together to advance the Gospel of Jesus Christ. (LOCAL CHURCH, REGIONAL CONFERENCE, DENOMINATION)
(Video shown)
Giving: 6.5% to Denomination (whole mission), and 3.5% to Conference
(Handout)

9. Recognition & Award Presentations - Debbie Griffiths-Samuel (CMJ) & Ken Oliver (liason to Exec Bd)

2017 Compassion, Mercy & Justice Award (nominated by Pastor Lance Davis)

Rev. Jerome & Joanne Nelson

Award Plaque will also be displayed at New Zion Covenant Church for 1 year display.

10. Introduction of Superintendent Nominee and Q and A Time Certain: 5:00 PM

- Dan Teefey explained the process of finding a nominee for Superintendent, the work of the Executive Board as Search Team. Prayer, meetings, President Gary Walter's involvement, scheduling, job description. Dispersed this job design, reception of names of nominees.

Many, many names received, secured Covenant Minister's Profiles, and began process of considering every single name, moving forward as the Spirit lead. Then, with a smaller pool of names, we invited them to interviews in January of 2017. Discernment, moving forward

Danny Martinez unanimously as the candidate for Superintendent of the Central Conference.

- Dan Teefey introduced Rev. Danny Martinez, who then shared:

3 Key Words: Participation, Contribution, Connection.
Emphasis in pastoral care

- Q and A - Topics

Camping Ministry

Diversity Unified as a conference - intentionality & relationship, caring about others
celebrating our differences

Roles - how various roles Danny has had will contribute to his work as Superintendent
Wendy's, an Import Company, starting church with elders of nursing home
youth pastor, music leader (CHET, Midwinter, local church), senior pastor

His Family - 26 yr son (getting married in July)
20 yr daughter - student
18 yr son - college
2 Cats - Jasmine & Precious

Dinner & Dessert (cupcakes in honor of Jerome), then Worship, then more dessert (Harbor Point
Ministries)

Schedule for tomorrow: 7:30 a.m. - Coffee & snacks

 8:30 a.m. - Devotions with Pastor Stacey

 9:00 a.m. - Business Session #2

MM, 2nd to adjourn meeting. "Let's Eat!" Meeting adjourned

CENTRAL CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
Lafayette, IN April 29, 2017
Business Session #2
9 am-12 pm

Chairperson Dan Teefey, presiding

- 11. Call to Reconvene - Chair Dan Teefey
- 12. Second and Final Credential Report: Norma Ramos

Elected Board Members - 8
Delegates from churches - 83
Total General - 91

Non-elected Executive Board - 2
Guests - 2
Covenant Organizations - 9
Staff - 5
General Attendees - 30
Total Additional Attendees - 48
Total Attendees - 139
Churches Represented - 58

13. Nomination Commission - Presentation & Vote - Sally Pierce presenting

2017 Ballot Election of Officers:

Alberto Galvan, Bill Orris, Laurie Schwalm - nominations closed to Exec Bd
Shalondon Christiansen, Dwight Huse, Heather Rose - nominations closed to HPM Bd

MM to approve together, 2nd, unanimous

2017 Ballot Election of Superintendent: Rev. Danny Martinez

Recommendation comes from Exec Board Search Team
No additional nominees from floor; Nominations are now closed
(Paper ballots dispersed)

14. Financial and Budgets - Keith Perkins, Central Conference Exec. Board Treasurer
(Handouts - Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Budget, Contributions From The Churches)

Contributions sheet - explained the 13-Month Calendar and reason for it.

Balance Sheet - explained Loans Payable & Accrued Liabilities amount - due in 8.5 years
this effects ending fund balance reflects this

Income Statement & Budget - trend of Contributions (downward) needs to be reversed
Our Savior - sold to city, but \$20k expenses. Had this not been
the case, we would've seen a better bottom line. We need to
increase contributions. If we were faithful to 6.5% & 3.5%, we
would easily be out of financial situation

Questions/Comments from the floor entertained -
Graduated tithe - could we encourage?
Why some churches have 0 contributions?
Giving to Larger Vision / Mission of Church

Vote on Financial Report - (comes as recommendation from Exec. Board) -
Approved by voice vote

- Moving CC offices is being considered - a church? a non-profit serving poor?
- how the churches respond to giving, new Superintendent, vision

Questions/Comments entertained from the floor
Ministry Development Expenses vs. Income - CHIC, other events

Approve Revised 2017 Budget - Recommended from Exec. Bd - voice vote - Approved

Approve 2018 Estimated Budget - Recommended from Exec. Bd - voice vote - Approved

15. Recommendations of Churches - "Report on Churches to be deleted from roster..." handout

These churches would also be presented at ECC National Annual Meeting

Centro Cristiano El Poder Del Amor - withdrawn
Community Evangelical Church - withdrawn

MM, 2nd, discussion, voice vote Approved.

Assets of closing churches - Evergreen (Rockford) - assets revert to 1st Cov
Two churches withdrawn - no assets

16. Superintendent & Staff Reports

Jerome Nelson - Service of the Conference Staff - no bills sent out to churches for assistance given gave example of ECC - Lafayette - top giving church that knows how

David Swanson - Director of Church Planting - Thank you for your cooperation to plant churches
El Buen Pastor Covenant Church - Lake Geneva, WI - partner with Anchor Cov
Kingdom Covenant - Roseland - Chicago Southside - 4 churches helping
Church Plant - Marion, IN - purchased unused Elementary School for \$10

Peter Sjoblom - Director of Congregational Vitality - Vitality pathway good for all churches; highlighted Vitality brochure. Ten Year Assessment - good feedback from early elements - Navigate, EPIC, PULSE; ONE (strategic planning) - element that was too much for average congregation to deal with. This is being reworked, and will be introduced to churches on pathway. COOP (pastoral coaching) moving forward. BRIDGE BUILDERS - intervention for "stuck" congregations.

Debbie Griffith Samuels - Director of Mission and Outreach - added to her report; LMDJ Commission work; work with churches doing ministry abroad - trip to Ghana, West Africa - partnered with School District 205 in Dalton & New Zion Covenant to commission a well in Zorko, Ghana. Another well is needed, Covenant Children's Ministries gave check for \$18,000 to assist.

Jerome Nelson - **The Church Report - 2014/15** (see handout) and Powerpoint -
What are the possibilities if our churches gave 3.5% across the Conference?

2014 - Collective budgets of Cent Conf churches was \$25 Million
If every church gave 3.5%, our budget would be \$875,000

16 out of 110 churches less than 15% of our churches give 3.0% or above.

Staff Questions: Communication & Presence will help with church involvement
Marion plant does not yet have a Covenant partner church
Assistant Superintendent ? Jerome explained the history in Central Conf.
Dan Teefey explained transition time assessment by Exec Bd.

Executive Board Members were introduced, and delegates encouraged
To speak to any of them with their questions/comments/ideas.

Suspension of Meeting. Harbor Point Ministries Annual Meeting.

~~~~~ Began 11:00 am & Concluded 12:00 ~~~~~

**Central Conference Annual Meeting Resumes**

16. Report on Election Results:

**Election of Superintendent: Rev. Danny Martinez 66 YES 0 NO Praise the Lord!**

17. Appointment of Delegates to the ECC Annual Meeting:

Comes from Executive Board:

Rebecca Nakamura & Cheryl Ek

**Voice Vote: Approved**

18. Recognition by Norma Ramos -moving to Denominational offices

- Rebecca Nakamura & Deani Jordan - presenting on behalf of the Exec. Board
- By Central Conference Staff

19. Recognition of Rev. Jerome Nelson - entering into a new call

- Staff Sharing - Debbie Griffith Samuel, Norma Ramos, David Swanson, Peter Sjoblom
- Video from Robert Owens
- Prayer of blessing over Jerome and Joanne - David Swanson

20. Old Business - none

21. New Business - none

22. 2018 132nd Annual Meeting Announcement - no place yet - looking for volunteers

23. Resolution of Appreciation - Evangelical Covenant Church of Lafayette  
Pastor Stacey Littlefield

(Read by Chair Dan Teefey; Prayer of Closing and Grace by Pastor Littlefield)

24. **Adjournment at 12:45 pm - MM, 2nd, Carried**

25. Lunch & Fellowship

# 2018 Central Conference Annual Meeting Credentials Report

|                                                      | <u>First Report</u> | <u>Second Report</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Delegates from Churches                              | _____               | _____                |
| Churches Represented                                 | _____               | _____                |
| Delegates from Boards,<br>Commissions & Associations | _____               | _____                |
| <b>TOTAL CREDENTIALLED DELEGATES:</b>                | _____               | _____                |
| Non-elected Executive Board Members                  | _____               | _____                |
| Guests                                               | _____               | _____                |
| Covenant Organizations                               | _____               | _____                |
| Staff                                                | _____               | _____                |
| General Attendees                                    | _____               | _____                |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:</b>                   | _____               | _____                |
| <b>TOTAL ATTENDEES:</b>                              | _____               | _____                |

## Delegates Allowed by Congregational Size

The number of delegates are based on the number of members in your congregation. Member congregations shall be entitled to representation as follows:

| <b>Church Members</b> | <b>Delegates</b> |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Up to 99              | 2                |
| 100 to 224            | 3                |
| 225 to 449            | 4                |
| 450 to 699            | 5                |
| 700 to 999            | 6                |
| 1000 to more          | 7                |

- Each association recognized by the Central Conference shall be entitled to one (1) delegate.
- Each affiliated corporation and institution shall be entitled to one (1) delegate.
- A church plant within the Central Conference that is not yet a member congregation may send two (2) advisors to the Annual Meeting.

# 2018 Ballot

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

*Please vote for one person in each pairing. Incumbents stand alone.*

| <b>I. EXECUTIVE BOARD*</b><br>(Three-year term)                                                                                                                     | <b>II. HARBOR POINT MINISTRIES BOARD**</b><br>(Three-year term)                                                                                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Member                                                                                                                                                              | Member                                                                                                                                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> * Dawn Jones – 1 <sup>st</sup> term<br>(Community Covenant Church, Calumet Park, IL)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> _____                 | <input type="checkbox"/> ** Erik Brorson – 2 <sup>nd</sup> term<br>(Ravenswood Evan. Covenant Church, Chicago, IL)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> _____   |
| Member                                                                                                                                                              | Member                                                                                                                                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> * Jordan Meyers – 1 <sup>st</sup> term<br>(Evangelical Covenant Church, Lafayette, IN)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> _____               | <input type="checkbox"/> ** Anne Jorgensen - 1 <sup>st</sup> term<br>(Glen Ellyn Covenant Church, Glen Ellyn, IL)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> _____    |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> * Tomas Sanabria – 1 <sup>st</sup> term<br>Vice Chair<br>(Iglesia del Pacto Evangelico, Chicago, IL)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> ** Brian Zahasky – 2 <sup>nd</sup> term<br>(Libertyville Covenant Church, Libertyville, IL)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
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\* Running for 3 year term

\*\* Harbor Point Ministries only requires one candidate for each position.

# Election of Offices – Biographies

## Executive Board Members



**Dawn Jones – Calumet Park, Illinois. Community Covenant Church.**

Dawn has been an active member of Community Covenant Church for the past 28 years. Over the years, she has served in various leadership roles. Her ministry experience includes Christian Formation Board, Trustee Board, Children’s Ministry, Youth Ministry, Sunday Discovery Superintendent, Teacher and Women’s Ministry. Dawn is married to Michael Jones and they are proud parents of one son, Timothy who is a senior in high school. Currently, she is serving alongside her husband who is the Director of Family Ministries at their local congregation.



**Rev. Jorden J. Meyers – Lafayette, Indiana. Evangelical Covenant Church.**

A familiar face to the Covenant after serving as Manager of Events with the ECC for 7 years, Jorden currently is the Connections Pastor at ECC of Lafayette. He earned his Master of Divinity from North Park Theological Seminary and Master of Nonprofit Administration from North Park University School of Business and Nonprofit Management in 2012. Born into the reformed church, he started attending Forest Park Covenant Church in Michigan where his faith became his own. He loves serving the denomination to which God has called him and being a support to the conference. He is certified with Prepare Enrich and has served the Department of Christian Formation on the Make and Deepen Disciples committee. He is married to Kellynne and they have two children, Elijah 4 ½ and Evelyn 2.



**Rev. Tomas Sanabria – Chicago, Illinois. Iglesia del Pacto Evangelico de Albany Park.**

Tomas’s second call to pastoral ministry has been at IPEAP for the past 5 plus years. He is the church’s first second-generation, bicultural and bilingual inner-city bred Latino of Puerto Rican descent. He is a bridge builder in helping Latino believers conjoin their lives to that of the Anglo-American ethos. He sees it as an opportunity to do for others what the Lord did for him. Embracing his God given gifts and talent, he values team ministry, discipleship and mentoring and is ready to serve, preach, teach, help and lead. He’s the recipient of the John Anderson Award for justice and community care work, volunteered with CAPS Anti Violence, served as Chaplain with 14<sup>th</sup> Police Dist. Clergy and currently is at Illinois Masonic Hospital since 2012. Leading a Hurricane Rescue Team to Puerto Rico in March is one of many ways he helps “chisel disciples into doers” for the sake of advancing the kingdom of God.

## **HPM Board Member Nominees 2018**

### **Erik Brorson – 2<sup>nd</sup> term of service/3-year term**



Erik Brorson is a North Park University graduate who grew up in Naperville and attended both camps. He served on summer staff at Covenant Harbor. He is co-owner of Green Home Solutions. "I have been interested in staying involved with Covenant Harbor and Covenant Point post-college as they have had such an influence in my life. I relish the opportunity to continue to be of service."

### **Anne Jorgensen – Completing 1-year appointed term; 1<sup>st</sup> term of service/3-year term**



Anne grew up attending First Covenant Church of Marinette, WI. She was very involved in the church with the youth programs and loved going to the junior and senior high retreats up at Covenant Point. While growing in her faith she always felt called to love people, to serve, and to lead. With a B.A. in political science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Anne served in the non-profit sector for roughly 10 years. Over these years she supervised after school programs and worked directly with youth and foster children with severe autism and cognitive disabilities. In 2010, Anne came to Chicago to study at North Park University and completed a master's program in non-profit administration in 2012. During that time Anne felt God also calling her into ministry in the church. Following God's leading she entered seminary at North Park Theological Seminary in 2012. Anne graduated with her Master of Divinity in the summer of 2015 and was called to Glen Ellyn Covenant Church as associate pastor in December of 2015. Anne has an adventurous spirit and loves to go off exploring new places, new things, good food, or playing with her much beloved nephews and niece.

### **Brian Zahasky – 2<sup>nd</sup> term of service/3-year term**



Brian Zahasky is the pastor of Family Life at FaithBridge Church in Racine, WI. He previously served as youth/associate pastor at Libertyville Covenant Church for eleven years. He has served as network facilitator for youth ministry in the Central Conference and is a member of the ECC's CHIC 2018 committee. Brian has an extensive history with camping ministry in both the Free Church and the Evangelical Covenant Church. Brian gave his life to Christ at Lake Beauty Bible Camp in Long Prairie, MN, and served three summers on staff there. After Lake Beauty, he served two summers at Camp Shamineau in Motley, MN, and completed his time there with a year-long internship

## Candidates for Ordination



**Jonathan Baek – OWSa**  
**Associate Pastor**  
*Glenview Korean Covenant  
Church, Glenview, IL*



**Denise A. Johnson – OWSa**  
**Chaplain**  
*Presbyterian Homes,  
Evanston, IL*



**Troy Cady – OWSa**  
**Coordinator of Child and  
Adult Formation**  
*Grace Evangelical Covenant  
Church, Chicago, IL*



**Andreton Jones – OWSa**  
**Pastor**  
*City of Hope Covenant  
Church, Bolingbrook, IL*



**Julie Jane Capel – OWSa**  
**Lead Pastor**  
*Faith United Church of Christ  
Chicago, IL*



**Elizabeth (Libby)  
Piotrowski – OWSa**  
**Co-Pastor**  
*North Park Covenant Church,  
Chicago, IL*



**Jon Dietrich – OWSa**  
**Pastor of Youth and Families**  
*Evangelical Covenant Church,  
Princeton, IL*



**Tomás Sanabria – OWSa**  
**Pastor**  
*Iglesia del Pacto Evangélico  
de Albany Park, Chicago, IL*

**OWSa** – Ordained to Word and Sacrament

## Candidates for Ordination



**Meagan Gillan – OWSa**  
Director of Women  
Ministries on the Make  
and Deepen Disciples Team  
*The Evangelical Covenant  
Church, Chicago, IL*



**Amy Smith – OWSa**  
Military Chaplain  
*(U.S. Army)*  
*Fort Drum, NY*



**Jeff Hunter – OWSa**  
Co-Pastor  
*North Park Covenant Church,  
Chicago, IL*



**Andrew Sturdy –  
OWSa**  
*In the call process*

**OWSa** – Ordained to Word and Sacrament



# Reports from the Central Conference Staff

## Danny Martinez Superintendent of the Central Conference

There have been a number of opportunities for me to meet with pastors, church leaders, and congregations. It has been a blessing to meet and get to know so many Covenanters in the Central Conference. I look forward to meeting many more in the coming year.



1. Meeting congregations and ministers
  - a. I have visited 23 churches since stepping into the superintendent position in August 2017. I have preached 14 times. Churches are listed below.
  - b. **Churches:** Resurrection CC, JEPUSA CC, Iglesia del Pacto Renacer, Immanuel CC, Iglesia del Pacto Belen, Sojourners CC, Glen Ellyn ECC, Community CC (Calumet Park), Edgebrook CC, First ECC (Peoria), Anchor CC, Christ CC (Villa Park), El Buen Pastor, First ECC Rockford, Albany Park CC, Elgin CC, New Zion CC, Hope ECC (Crystal Lake), New Community (Chicago), Ravenswood CC, Riverside CC, Covenant Community (South Bend), Millard CC, Uptown Church, Batavia Covenant, Elgin CC, North Park Covenant, Northbrook Cov, Iglesia Grace, North Park Seminary Chapel.  
**District Pastors' Gatherings:** Fox Valley Pastors' Cluster, Northern IL Pastors' Cluster, Northwest Pastors' Cluster, WILD Cluster, Latino Pastors' Cluster, Indiana Cluster, Youth Collision, Rockford Cluster dinner.  
**Installments:** David Green at Northbrook Retirement Community and Ralph Moller at Riverside CC (W. Lafayette, IN)  
**Other Events/Gatherings:** Rockford Covenant Churches (joint event), Pastors and Spouses Retreat, Latino Women's Cluster, and CHET Leadership meeting. The Men's Retreat at Covenant Point, UP; a Latino leadership event at Grace Covenant Church with over 120 leaders; Swedish Covenant Hospital Care team  
**Church Planters:** Met, assessed and pursued qualified church planters for our initiative to plant 20 new churches in the next 4 years.
  - c. Met with several Church Leadership Teams to introduce the Central Conference in their church budgets, as well as, transitions and/or consultations on staff/pastors.
  - d. Met with camp directors together and separately.
  - e. Sally Pierce and Bill Orris have gathered the Fox Valley Cluster once again and are working to make it work.
  - f. I have met with over 50 pastors regarding various issues, NPU professors, and chaplains. This includes a number of pastors that have requested to meet with me at the Central Conference office.
  - g. Met with three pastors currently under care and discipline and appeared before the Board of Ordered Ministry to intercede on their behalves. This has involved several meetings with the Develop Leaders' staff, and the Board of the Ordered Ministry for one week before and during Midwinter Conference.
  - h. Met with several pastors at Midwinter Conference over a meal and/or coffee.

2. Working with Staff

- a. Worked closely with Patty Shepherd to bring her up to date on all expectations of her role as the CC Manager. Patty is an amazing asset to us and has quickly become a staple in establishing relationships with churches, pastors, license applicants, candidates for ordination, and Covenant offices.
- b. We hold staff meetings on Wednesdays unless an event like Midwinter does not allow us to gather. We have covered all churches and their respective histories per our own experience with them. We pray for our churches as well.
- c. Worked closely with Peter Sjoblom to oversee pastor placement and vitality. He has also been instrumental in legacy churches and connections for church planting grants.
- d. Worked closely with Debbie Griffith Samuels regarding church planting, keeping the church plants accountable in terms of requirements for our church planters' reports and giving. We are enforcing our rules of contribution in order to release appropriation checks. Debbie has also been instrumental in seeking grants for children and youth ministry for our conference.
- e. We will be offering Debbie, Peter and Patty continuing training in their respective fields and beyond.
- f. Peter Sjoblom will be transitioning part time this year and eventually retire. He will help us train our new Congregational Care person. Peter has been invaluable to my transition here.

3. Financial Planning and Budgeting

- a. We have called every church that has been in the "no giving" category to engage and help pastors and their Leadership Teams to become contributors. We have greatly reduced the list.
- b. A quarterly statement is sent to each church with their giving. We provide this as we know churches have oversight from time to time.
- c. We need a Church Planting Director. We are fundraising for this new reality.
- d. We have covered payroll and most appropriations and will continue to do so by planning accordingly.
- e. We rely on the generosity of our Conference churches to meet our budget and any new fundraising will solely cover new initiatives.

4. Financial Condition and Activities

- a. We are currently steady financially thanks to the conference staff who have made an intentional effort to reach out to pastors and Leadership Teams.
- b. I have not accepted any additional financial responsibility.
- c. The staff has been careful with expenses, including reducing Midwinter costs and costs for other events.
- d. Strong intentional efforts for partner churches to continue giving at the 5% level. We are blessed to have some amazing partners that believe in the mission of our conference.

5. Communication and Support to the Board

- a. Information has gone to the board via email. Non-urgent is being communicated now.
- b. Moving forward to Celebration 2018. Board members to fundraise for our celebration.
- c. I will continue to follow up to what a Board member does:
  - i. A board member is connected – visits churches on behalf of the CC
  - ii. A board member participates – fully engaged in CC events
  - iii. A board member contributes – fund raises and/or connects us to possible benefactors.
- d. Our Celebration 2018 will be a time of encouragement. In agreement with the Ministerium, we have great guests for preaching and workshops, great times of worship planned and a big effort to communicate good news in order to make it a celebration.

6. Ends focus of grants and contracts  
We are working on several grant requests for church planting and youth at risk.
  
7. Non-Conference Commitments
  - a. COS – Council of Superintendents
  - b. MHIPE – Advisor for Latino Ministry nationwide
  - c. CWR – Advisor for grants

Despite the workload, I am excited to be in the Central Conference for such a time as this. God has given us a good staff. I am humbled by the task, and challenged by many folks, who have become cheerleaders and partners in ministry. We have indeed many great people in our conference, doing great ministry, impacting many lives. Representing the Conference in our denominational meetings, church conflict resolutions, care for pastors, partnering with upcoming ministers, recognizing talent, is an honor.

There is one additional item I would like to address. We have recognized seven church planters ready to start whenever we have the funds available. This is amazing given the fact that church planters are scarce.

Sincerely,

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Pastor Danny  
Superintendent of the Central Conference

**Debbie Griffith Samuels**  
**Associate Superintendent of the Central Conference**

**Compassion Mercy and Justice Commission** – Ministry Grants were awarded to Central Conference Churches totaling over \$9,000.00. Churches reached out into their communities by offering various youth summer events, Community food pantry and Prison Ministry Initiatives. The 2017 Central Conference Compassion Mercy and Justice Award was presented to Reverend Jerome Nelson of New Zion Covenant Church in Dolton Illinois. As Director of Church and Society, Reverend Nelson and the Commission established the Conference Ministry Grants which have blessed many of our churches outreach ministries. As Superintendent from 2005 thru September 2017, in addition to shepherding Conference Pastors and Churches he encouraged, supported and affirmed churches engaged in Compassion and Justice Ministries. I am grateful for the hard work and commitment of commission members; Drusilla McClelland, Lance Davis, Mark Tao, Kelley Gray and Ken Oliver. We wished a fond farewell to Ms. Meztli Gonzalez with hugs and blessings as she marries.



**Church Planting** – I now have the pleasure of working with two of our Church Plants. Pastor David Washington of Kingdom Covenant Church in Roseland and Pastor Gregorio Martinez of Iglesia del Pacto Evangelico El Buen Pastor in Lake Geneva, WI. Monthly go over their goals and discussed how I could assist and pray for them. I have reached out to several conference churches to gather with some of our current planters during Celebration to hear how God is moving in our Church Planting Community. It is my prayer that as relationships are built these partners will offer financial support to offset the cost of planting in the conference.

**Committee on Ministerial Standing (COMS), Seminary Interviews and Central Conference Nominating Committee** - It has been a gift being a part of the COMS team over the past 9 years. We have the opportunity to interview Bi-Vocational and Ordination Candidates. As a result of our interviews this year we have 12 candidates on their way to Ordination in June. The Seminary Senior Interviews went quite well as we listened to 8 seniors share their call to ministry. Sally, Daniela and I are hard at work as the Nominating Committee looking at candidates to fill open positions on the Central Conference Executive Board.

**Other Ministry Activities in 2017** – Provided Spiritual Direction and Mentor sessions throughout the year. Liaison for Hispanic Ministries and attended the Hispanic Worship, Baptism Service at Covenant Harbor. In July travelled to Ghana West Africa for the Commissioning Ceremony of the water borehole for the boy's section of the school campus. Attended Western District Cluster meetings, working with CHIC 2018 Liaison Edgar Torres and conducted several site visits for CMJ grant recipients. I continue to Pastor Fellowship Christian Church providing Pastoral Counseling, Pre-marital counseling, Spiritual Direction, Baptisms, Bible Study, sometimes Preaching, Mentoring and Counseling to members, attendees and community.

Blessings, Rev. Debbie Griffith Samuels

**Peter Sjoblom**  
**Associate Superintendent of the Central Conference**

As the Apostle Paul signs off on his letter to the Church in Philippi he challenges the folks, *“whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy, think on these things”*.



When asked how we know we are making progress in the movement of Congregational Vitality in the Central Conference I find that “how we talk about our church” changes as we see the Spirit of God more active in our congregations.

Over the last decade, through Congregational Vitality, we have presented 107 workshops in more than 70 congregations. 26 Churches have participated in Navigate, intentionally working through aspects of vitality for their own congregations. 16 of our churches have taken the PULSE survey, allowing the results to help a church address next steps.

This past year I have noticed that congregations which address their situations identifying strengths rather than weaknesses, positives over deficits, actually enter into a more creative and open space to think through a hopeful future.

This year we have served the vital interests of the Central Conference continuing to present Vitality workshops, meeting with Leadership Teams, assisting in clarifying church conflict and anxiety. 3 New Churches engaged the Vitality pathway through Navigate.

I’ve participated with 13 pastoral search teams this year. I mention this cause these times represent important transitions and are a key investment in the vitality of our churches. I’ve also had the privilege of officiating the installation of 8 pastors in churches throughout the conference.

This past year, on the national level, I worked with a team to create a new process in ministry planning called “Dream Again”. In March we rolled out this new creation with Faith Covenant Church in Wheaton.

Also in March I participated in teaching at the “First Call Retreat”, a national gathering of pastors who are entering their first call to a congregation. The Central Conference brought five, the most pastors represented at this retreat of all the conferences. These 5 pastors and their congregations will be a special focus of our work this year.

I have also worked with other colleagues in putting together training for Transitional Pastoral Ministry as we develop a new initiative for a more involved interim ministry between called clergy in local congregations. This is going to be an important ministry in the life of all our churches in the future.

So, as we look into the future we can say with the Apostle Paul, that we are looking at a more hopeful and positive energy led by the Holy Spirit, engaging our more noble aspects as our churches grow in health and mission.

Blessings,

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Peter Sjoblom

# Reports from Boards, Committees and Commissions

Beth Fredrickson  
Harbor Point Ministries



*Connecting Camps & Churches*

## Partnered with you

Camp is for campers – yes, it is. And, camp is where future leaders are formed. This is a particularly important component of camping ministry for our owner churches. As we serve your congregations, we minister to campers and we support development of the next generation of Christian leaders. These young people become our pastors, missionaries, lay leaders, and community and business leaders.

We've known all along that young people who serve on staff at camp develop skills and attributes that prepare them for life and leadership, and now we have data to back that up. Recent research by the Wheaton College Graduate School is confirming that camp staff grow and develop in significant ways as a result of their service at camp.



Camp ministry uniquely forms young leaders because it is experiential, dynamic and immersive, and because staff are well-trained, cared-for and supervised. Research results show that working at a Christian camp develops young people in key areas of:

- Teamwork
- Leadership
- Spiritual growth
- Emotional intelligence

Importantly, many of our staff at Covenant Harbor and Covenant Point were also campers at our camps, or other Christian camps. Their ongoing personal and spiritual growth is linked to camping ministry – and to the ministry of your local church. Our aim is to support and serve you in local ministry. Together, we are creating experiences and moments that open doors for the Holy Spirit to work in young lives.

## Thank you

As you participate in the Central Conference and HPM annual meetings this year, please listen for the ways we serve our owner churches. If your congregation is not yet active with camping ministry, we invite you to connect with us! We value our owner congregations and want to join with you in making and deepening disciples.

Thank you for praying for us, providing financial support, sharing volunteers, sending youth campers, sending staff, participating in camp experiences, and inviting others to come to camp. We are eager to serve your local congregation and support your local ministry.

In partnership with you,

Beth Fredrickson  
Executive Director, Harbor Point Ministries

## **Sally Pierce** **Nominating Commission**

The primary task of the Nominating Commission is to identify and invite people from within our conference who are called to serve on the Executive Board and the Harbor Point Ministries Board. When that is accomplished, candidates are then slated by the Commission and presented for the vote at the Annual Meeting of the Central Conference. Once again we are celebrating a full ballot for this year's gathering and the commitment of all officers, members of the board and chairs of permanent commissions.



Serving on the Nominating Commission are Daniela Flores, Debbie Griffith-Samuels and Sally Pierce. Since our conference is so blessed with diversity on several levels, we have many people to draw from as we seek representation across generations and ethnicities, lay and clergy, male and female, on our boards and commissions. We also seek to have representation from each of the districts throughout the entire conference, and look for diversity of professions among our churches.

The Nominating Commission maintains a list of persons who have a passion and a willingness to serve as well as leadership skills. These are people that have been recommended by you, the members of our Central Conference churches, as well as by those already serving on boards and commissions, and from our conference staff. We always welcome recommendations for our running list and value the names you provide. Since there are only a certain number of openings on our boards each year, we can only use those persons who fit the demographics needed in any particular year. The need to build such a list is not only necessary for the process of assembling the annual ballot but also for us to be prepared for interruptions of a term when life changes occur and a term must be completed by another person. Such was the case in 2017 for several of our past members. The board is grateful to those who came forward to serve the remainder of a term: Jordan Meyers, Dawn Jones and Pete Erickson. It also involved a change of status for our officers, as Rebecca Nakamura stepped up as Chair and Deani Jordan as Vice Chair. They did it well! And both our new and existing board members have joyfully welcomed our new Superintendent and kept moving forward in the flow of the Holy Spirit! God is truly amazing and proves that when He calls, He equips and empowers those who follow Him.

Thank you for your prayers and support to the on-going work of recruiting new members. You are an important part of this process. On the Central Conference website, ([www.centralconf.org](http://www.centralconf.org)), you will find a listing of the boards and commissions currently serving, as well as the present chairs of those groups. In addition, on the website is a volunteer application that can be downloaded, filled out and mailed to the Central Conference office. You can also receive an application by calling or writing the Central Conference office.

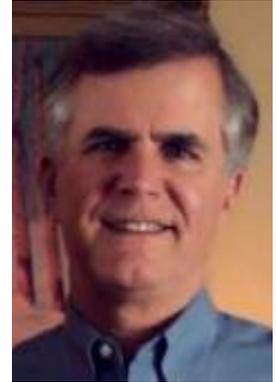
Blessings as we continue to serve together,

Sally Pierce  
Chair

**Rick Lindholtz**  
**Evangelism Commission**

Report to the  
Central Conference Annual Meeting 2018  
and the  
Central Conference Ministerial Association Annual Meeting 2018

I am encouraged by the new initiatives that are offered by our church body through the **Make and Deepen Disciples** Mission Priority, and grateful for the Central Conference's participation. **Make and Deepen Disciples** provides the ministry of **Evangelism**, and last year, we were blessed to have as our guest at the Central Conference Annual Meeting **Beth Seversen**, who serves The Covenant as **Director of Evangelism**.



- ✓ **Learn more about the Covenant's Evangelism Strategies at [covchurch.org/evangelism](http://covchurch.org/evangelism)**

A number of Covenant Pastors have attended **Amplify**, a conference focused on Evangelism and sponsored by the Billy Graham Center for Evangelism at Wheaton College and the Mission America Coalition. Amplify featured an **Organic Outreach Intensive** attended by many of those Covenant Pastors who attended.

- ✓ **Learn more about Organic Outreach at [organicoutreach.com](http://organicoutreach.com)**

**Amplify** will be held again June 26-28, at Highpoint Church, Naperville IL. I encourage Covenant Pastors to attend, and encourage their churches to underwrite the cost of their pastors' attendance.

- ✓ **Learn more about Amplify 2017 at [amplifyconference.tv](http://amplifyconference.tv)**

In the early fall 2016, a two-year **cohort** of Covenant Pastors began. The cohort brings these pastors together for study, learning, prayer and accountability as we seek to raise the evangelism temperature in our lives, our congregations, and our conference. The cohort is one of eight cohorts in Covenant Churches across the US, involving some eighty Lead Pastors – approaching 10% of all Lead Pastors in our church body.

The Evangelism cohort lays a good foundation for building into our churches a culture of reaching people who need to hear the message of new life through Jesus Christ. I encourage Covenant Pastors to contact Beth Seversen's office if you would like to participate in a cohort. Contact me if your church would like to benefit from a one-day outreach training event.

- ✓ **Learn more about Evangelism cohorts at [covchurch.org/evangelism/lead](http://covchurch.org/evangelism/lead)**

By now, I hope your church has heard about, and has perhaps taken some steps in the **BLESS Intentional Evangelism Initiative**. This strategic plan invites Christians to engage with unbelieving friends through these simple steps:

**B**     **Begin with Prayer**

**L**     **Listen with Care**

**E**     **Eat a meal together**

**S**     **Serve in Love**

**S**     **Share your story of faith in Jesus**

✓     **Learn more about the [BLESS Missional Practices](https://covchurch.org/bless) at [covchurch.org/bless](https://covchurch.org/bless)**

Rick Lindholtz  
Chair

# Report from the Central Conference Ministerial Association

Report to the  
Central Conference Annual Meeting 2018  
and the  
Central Conference Ministerial Association Annual Meeting 2018

The Central Conference Ministerial Association (CCMA) is made up of Pastors and ministers holding credentials (ordination, commission, licensure) in The Evangelical Covenant Church.

The CCMA is led by an Executive Committee elected by its membership. The Executive Committee leads the CCMA as together **we provide care in three specific ways:**

**We care for the Fellowship** of Covenant Pastors and Church Ministry Staff, predominantly by planning two events each year: an Annual Meeting in late April, and a Fall Retreat in early October.

**We care for the Continuing Education** of Covenant Pastors by providing time at each of our gatherings to invite local and national leaders to speak to us on subjects pertaining to our vocational calling.

And **we care for the ordination** of Covenant Pastors in part by forming a Committee on Ministerial Standing (COMS) from the members of our association. These members interview Pastors as they move towards final, permanent credentialing. As a body, the CCMA votes to recommend these pastors as they move through the process of credentialing.

**Pastors** who hold credentials in the Central Conference of The Evangelical Covenant Church (licensed, commissioned or ordained) **are members of the CCMA**, with privileges and responsibilities. In order to maintain “good standing”, pastors are **asked to do these four things:**

- **Pay dues** of \$125 per year to the CCMA, which is split between our national church body and the conference (churches can make this payment on behalf of their pastors, as part of a compensation package component such as “Conference and Continuing Education”);
- **Complete the Vocational Growth Tool** annually (under the resources tab at [covconnect.covchurch.org](http://covconnect.covchurch.org));
- **Update their Covenant Profile** once every three years; and
- **Maintain healthy relationships** with their Covenant Ministry Colleagues, especially through regional gatherings.

Our Ministerial Association met twice in 2017. Our first gathering took place April 27-28, 2017 in Lafayette, Indiana. **Dr. Boaz Johnson**, Professor of Biblical and Theological Studies at North Park University, led those in attendance through an experiential learning opportunity through the



ancient Passover Feast of the Old Testament people of God. Our gathering went on to conduct our Annual Meeting at that time.

Our second gathering was our Annual Retreat, which is designed to benefit Lead Pastors, Staff Pastors and Ministers, and Spouses of those in ministry. It took place October 2-4, 2017, at Covenant Harbor in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. This retreat featured **Rev. Byron Spradlin**, founding director of Artists in Christian Testimony International and founding Chair of Jews for Jesus, teaching on the topic **“Surviving your Public Ministry by Resetting your Private Worship”**.

The Ministerial Association will gather again for a **Fall Retreat for Covenant Lead and Staff Pastors October 1-3, 2018**. Pastors, watch for “Save the Date” information. Church leaders and members, encourage your pastoral staff to attend and be enriched.

Rick Lindholtz  
Central Conference Ministerial Association Chair

## Report from Women Ministry of the Central Conference

Women Ministries has gone through many changes since I began participating. I came on as a Coach, which excited me. I was excited to encourage women in their churches to strengthen local women ministries.



The wall I came up against was the word “ministry.” Once God used me to share with women, it was in roles they were already in. From feeding the hungry, to going to shelters, to providing toiletries and personal care items, clothing etc. This is ministry. Praying for one another or simply listening to one another. Add the word “Leader” and panic sets in. Most women are in leadership roles in their churches, but are humble and say, I am just helping. This is exactly who Jesus is to us, our Helper.

We have engaged young adults and our Hispanic sisters, engaging them in fellowship at our Fall Retreats and Spring Gatherings. We have been bringing Pastors, leaders, Spiritual Directors together. Ava, which is helping women heal, has grown in the Central Conference and nationally under Yvonne DeV Vaughn.

The main focus for 2018 is to encourage one another. To encourage women to embrace the vision to Start and Strengthen Churches, Develop Leaders, who grow leaders and make disciples who Make and Deepen Disciples.

Thelma E. Lawson  
President of Women Ministry of the Central Conference

**REPORT ON CHURCHES TO BE REMOVED FROM THE ROSTER  
OF THE EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH**

**Name of the Church:** Chicago Woori Church

**Location (City, State):** Schaumburg, Illinois

**Reason for removal from roster:**     Closed                     Withdrawn  
                                                          Dismissed                     Merger

**Number of members:** 6

**Year joined the Covenant:** 2014

**Peak membership (approximately):** 245

**Reason leading to removal from the roster and comments:**

The six church members that remained decided to seek other churches to attend. The church rented a meeting space and decided to close in February 2018.

We thank God for the faithfulness and service of all those who shared in the mission of Chicago Woori Church.

Signed by  \_\_\_\_\_  
(Conference Superintendent)

Date \_\_\_\_\_ April 9, 2018 \_\_\_\_\_





# Reports from Church Plants

## REAL Community Covenant Church Marion, Indiana

REAL Community Covenant Church is a multiethnic, multiclass church plant in Marion, Indiana. We began our soft launch of weekly services in October of 2016. In the summer of 2017, we signed our Covenant agreement. Our location is in the center of the city. One of the amazing stories about REAL Community is that we purchased a 34,000 sf building for ten dollars.



Over the past year we have spent a lot of time developing the core group of the church through Bible study, fellowship, prayer, & evangelism. We have also been intentional about being good neighbors in our neighborhood through community meals, prayer walks, neighborhood clean-up, and neighborhood block parties. There has been a lot of intentional listening within our community as well. Although many of us are from Marion it is still important to understand that we don't know everything. Another significant aspect is the patience that is required in planting a multiethnic church that is working through justice and reconciliation. There is much to learn about one another through this and if you go too fast you will lose the vision of the beloved community that God has placed within our body. Our community has witnessed enough tokenism in the church that people are waiting to see if we value difference or if this is assimilation hiding in color. We are growing and are praying about our second service. Currently we have over seventy adults and twenty-five kids. We are hoping to get our sanctuary finished so that we can keep it at one service, but the lack of funds may force us to move to a second service for now.

We have had five baptisms over the last year and a half, along with six new commitments to follow Christ. Our youth are being disciplined through Bible study and work projects where they are learning about scrapping metal, landscaping, and construction. We are taking a holistic approach to our discipleship due to the fact that many of our youth in the church and community come from families where fathers are absent. We must be a church that addresses the whole person. God cares for souls and physical bodies and desires good things for everyone. Celebrate Recovery is part of our ministry as well.



Prayer request:

1. Raise \$350,000 to finish our building. (We currently have commitments for \$200,000.) This will open up so many more opportunities for us to minister in our context.
2. Worship leader – my wife has been coordinating worship for the last year, but she is no worship leader. She is a faithful servant.
3. Children’s ministry leader – we have a faithful group of men who are rotating children’s ministry, but we need a children’s leader for our next generation.
4. Evangelism – when evangelism stops becoming a focus we cease to be the church. This is also the greatest tool for discipleship. May evangelism be at the heart of every believer within our congregation.

Submitted by:

Pastor Andrew Morrell, Church Planter



# Reports from Church Plants

## Kingdom Covenant Church Chicago, Illinois

Dear beloved, it is a joy to journey in God's mission as a Covenant church planter. It has been an arduous journey but very rewarding. I'm pleased to share about the amazing things God is doing. Through our work in the church and the community we were able to lead 115 people to profess faith in Christ last year. **The following are some key highlights of 2017**



### Discipleship

Our men's discipleship group met bi-weekly during the spring for Bible study and community outreach. We studied 1 Corinthians and afterwards did prayer walks and shared the gospel with people in the community. Our church held an 8-week discipleship class on Sunday mornings before worship. This Foundation Class focused on teaching the faith through the book of Romans. During the summer, we held another eight-week class on Understanding the Gospel.

### Evangelism and Community Outreach

We are very intentional about being present in the community. In 2017, our congregation engaged in many evangelistic and outreach opportunities. Every fourth Saturday of the month our church travel two hours south of Chicago to provide spiritual support to inmates at Lincoln Correctional Center in Lincoln, IL. We provide chapel services, prayer support and Bible studies for the inmates. Last year we held a Christmas Eve service and over 70 inmates received a signed copy of Pastor Washington's book as a gift. In 2017, our church ministered at the 95th Red Line Station. The Red Line is a high crime area in our city. In fact, in a one-square mile radius of our location there were more than 100 shootings and 9 murders that occurred within a three-month span. However, we believe light should go to the dark places, so we went to share hope in Christ. Also during the summer, we spent 9 consecutive weeks of prayer walks throughout some of the toughest areas in the community on Mondays at 7pm.

### Special Events

In 2017 Kingdom held some significant events. Our first communion service was in January and our first baptism service in August. We baptized a father and son. Also at the end of the summer we held a Back to School event for the community. We fed over 100 people, provided recreational fun for the children and youth and gave out 145 book bags filled with school supplies. In April, we held our pastoral installation service. In May, Pastor David A. Washington launched his book entitled "**Kingdom Church: A People Committed to the King's Agenda.**" A portion of our church's story was published in this book. It was a wonderful time of edification and a reminder of our call as a church. On September 10, 2017, we celebrated our first-year anniversary. God is faithful. We ended 2017 with our "Each One Reach One" service. We encouraged members to invite people in their circles of influence to worship on New Year's Eve. We reached a record attendance of over 145 people in Sunday worship.

## Community Recognition

In 2017, Kingdom Covenant Church was nationally recognized for our work in the Roseland Community. The Gospel Coalition released an article highlighting our church and spiritual journey. You can read the article published by the Gospel Coalition through the following link.

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/how-one-former-gang-leader-is-reaching-chicagos-most-dangerous-neighborhoods>

The Covenant Companion also published an article about our church and its journey in their 2017 September/October publication. You can read that story on the link below.

<http://covenantcompanion.com/2017/10/02/reimagine-that-church-planting-a-chance-at-redemption/>

## Mission Friends

Attendance decrease during the summer months translated to income decrease for Kingdom. It was a very difficult time for us. Cuts had to be made and there was an intense struggle to keep important ministries going. Without help from churches willing to join us on this mission, we would not have survived. Support and companionship came from various churches like the Community Covenant Church of Calumet Park, IL, who allowed us use of their facility for meetings and events free of charge. We are very grateful. *The ECC of Princeton, IL, Winnetka ECC of Wilmette, IL and ECC of Glen Ellyn, IL* contributions helped us not only to survive the summer but enabled us to support others in our community. In July, our church teamed up with Covenant Churches to share a Sankofa Journey. Members of Kingdom partnered with members of Winnetka ECC, while Pastor David Washington partnered with Pastor Derek Boggs of ECC of Princeton on the same Sankofa. It was a rich experience. In 2017, we also connected with the ECC of Glen Ellyn who contributed winter supplies to help us support students with inadequate clothing for the frigid winter. Through their generosity, we supplied 125 packets of socks, scarfs, hats, and gloves to students in need. This is how churches in the suburbs and rural areas are having an impact in the inner-city. To God be all of the glory!

## New Worship Location

In November of 2017 Kingdom was blessed to move from our former worship facility into a facility that worked better for us. When the Salem Baptist Church of Chicago reached out to us about the opportunity of using one of their buildings, we knew it was an answer to our prayers. Our team no longer spend laborious hours setting up and breaking down heavy equipment. We now worship on Sundays at 10am at **10909 S. Cottage Grove, Chicago, IL 60628**. God is making His presence known and we see evidence of that He's at work among us.

Submitted by:

Pastor David A. Washington, Church Planter



# Reports from Church Plants

## Iglesia del Pacto Evangélico Jerusalén (Jerusalem Covenant Church) Streamwood, Illinois

*Grace and peace to you from Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on this 132th annual meeting at Celebration 2018 of the Central Conference from your daughter, Jerusalem Covenant Church. We pray for God's continuance of blessings upon our Superintendent Danny Martinez, a great man of God, and Central Conference Staff and all Churches of the Central Conferences.*



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

It is by the grace of God that Jerusalem Church is still standing after nearly 5 years since our merciful Father and Lord called my wife, Erica Galvan, and myself to this ministry. I am humbled to write you for our 2018 annual report on behalf of Jerusalem Church.

This journey has been amazing, and tough, but above all it has been full of God's grace. In the beginning I struggled many times when I was going through many different obstacles as a church planter, not knowing what to do. But today I know what to do, I pray, keep silent and wait on God. I finally understood that miracles come when you pray, when you keep silent and let God do His work.

I have realized that the obstacles that I was afraid of in the beginning are the obstacles that I needed, if we wanted to grow. For it is through these obstacles that God has shaped not only Jerusalem Church but myself as a Pastor. So now I rejoice when the obstacles come for I know that God is again about to do something amazing with Jerusalem.

In this year of ministry, the abundant love of our Almighty Lord has been keeping us going and walking us toward the promise land. I know that God has a special purpose with us. God is planting this church to be a place of God's presence, a place of forgiveness, a place to be open to anybody that is willing to accept Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Today, I am happy to report to you that Jerusalem:

- Is still doing ministry and partnership with a healthy relationship in the Lutheran facilities
- Has a clear understanding of the mission of the Kingdom of God
- We are walking in God's direction with a healthy and growing membership
- We currently have Sunday School at 9:45 am, followed by our Worship Service at 10:45 am. Every Wednesday we have our prayer service at 7:00 pm.

- We have solid and healthy Christian Education
- Jerusalem has strong, responsible and committed leaders
- The financial structure and life of the church is solid and strong. We have a solid budget, year to year, as you can see in our appropriation reports, the Finance Board carefully manages God's resources, to bless its members and the community.

All this, is thanks to God, thanks to you, and thanks to all the church members. I would like to honor and give a special thanks to Jerusalem's leaders, it is through them that the church is growing and moving. Thanks to German Parga, our President, Elizabeth Orellana, our treasurer, Atom Mota, our church secretary, Francisco Herrera, our superintendent of Christian Education, our amazing worship leader, Ruthy Orellana, our men's leader, Arturo Vargas, our women's leader, Erica Galvan, our deacons, and all our members and visitors that make Jerusalem Covenant Church possible.

Thank you Superintend Danny Martinez for your support, thank you Central Conference churches for your support, for your generosity and more importantly for your prayers. I want you to know that we highly appreciate your prayers. We are still standing thanks to God and thanks to your prayers.

In Christ, your humble servant,  
 Pastor Alberto Galvan, Church Planter

*(PS: if you are considering planting a church or want to know how it feel to be in a church plant, feel welcome to join us anytime. I would be our honor to host you and to welcome you.)*



# Contributions from Central Conference Churches

| FY17 CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS<br>12 Months (Feb 2017 thru Jan 2018) |                                           | Feb - Jan<br>FY 2017 | (12 mos)<br>Feb - Jan<br>2016 | (13 mos)<br>Fiscal YR<br>2016 | AMOUNTS RECEIVED<br>(Annual totals for past years) |        |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| State & City                                                    | Church Name                               | 2017                 | 2016                          | 2016                          | 2015                                               | 2014   | 2013   |
| <b>ILLINOIS</b>                                                 |                                           |                      |                               |                               |                                                    |        |        |
| Batavia                                                         | Batavia Ev Covenant Church                | 4,563                | 4,074                         | 4,265                         | 4,594                                              | 5,272  | 5,676  |
| Belvidere                                                       | Evangelical Mission Covenant Church       | 3,000                | 3,000                         | 3,000                         | 2,500                                              | 2,500  | 2,500  |
| Bolingbrook                                                     | City of Hope                              |                      | 100                           | 100                           | -                                                  | 300    | -      |
| Blue Island                                                     | Mission Covenant Church                   | 200                  | 500                           | 500                           | 200                                                | 250    | -      |
| Calumet City                                                    | St Peter's Faith Health Covenant Church   | 275                  | 300                           | 300                           | 200                                                | -      | -      |
| Calumet Park                                                    | Community Covenant Church                 | 6,000                | 6,000                         | 6,000                         | 6,000                                              | 6,000  | 6,000  |
| Campton Hills                                                   | Country Evangelical Covenant Church       | 2,550                | 3,200                         | 3,200                         | 3,200                                              | 3,350  | 3,200  |
| Carpentersville                                                 | Iglesia del Pacto Evangelico Renacer      |                      | 3,000                         | 3,000                         | 2,500                                              | 2,000  | 1,000  |
| Champaign                                                       | Berean Covenant Church                    | 460                  | 120                           | 120                           | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Chicago                                                         | Albany Park Covenant Church               | 1,200                | 1,200                         | 1,200                         | 1,100                                              | 725    | 900    |
| Chicago                                                         | Assyrian Evangelical Covenant Church      |                      |                               | -                             | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Chicago                                                         | Atonement Covenant Church                 |                      | 100                           | 100                           | 50                                                 | 50     | 369    |
| Chicago                                                         | Beverly Evangelical Covenant Church       | 3,000                | 3,000                         | 3,000                         | 4,000                                              | 3,000  | 3,000  |
| Chicago                                                         | Calvary Covenant Church                   |                      |                               | -                             | 924                                                | 1,100  | -      |
| Chicago                                                         | Cross Fellowship, Inc (CLOSED)            | Closed               | Closed                        | Closed                        | 5,283                                              | -      | 1,000  |
| Chicago                                                         | Edgebrook Evangelical Covenant Church     | 5,600                | 5,475                         | 5,475                         | 5,600                                              | 5,575  | 6,018  |
| Chicago                                                         | Gospel Way Evangelical Covenant Church    |                      |                               | -                             | 300                                                | 1,000  | -      |
| Chicago                                                         | Grace Evangelical Covenant Church         | 6,250                | 6,000                         | 6,000                         | 6,000                                              | 6,000  | 6,000  |
| Chicago                                                         | Iglesia Del Pacto Evangelico Belen        | 5,595                | 7,246                         | 7,246                         | -                                                  | 7,169  | 12,285 |
| Chicago                                                         | Iglesia Del Pacto Evangelico Grace        | 200                  |                               | -                             | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Chicago                                                         | Iglesia Del Pacto Evangelico Peniel       | 3,005                | 3,879                         | 3,879                         | 4,769                                              | 2,959  | 2,750  |
| Chicago                                                         | Iglesia Del Pacto Vida Plena (closed)     | 500                  | 300                           | 800                           | -                                                  | 950    | 600    |
| Chicago                                                         | Immanuel Evangelical Covenant Church      | 500                  | 500                           | 1,000                         | -                                                  | 500    | 2,250  |
| Chicago                                                         | Jesus People USA Covenant Church          | 1,590                | 253                           | 253                           | 215                                                | 465    | 291    |
| Chicago                                                         | Kingdom Covenant Church                   | 504                  | 637                           | 637                           | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Chicago                                                         | New Community Covenant Church             | 23,849               |                               | -                             | 11,228                                             | 10,000 | 20,356 |
| Chicago                                                         | New Community Cov_Bronzeville             | 8,820                | 7,616                         | 9,244                         | 4,884                                              | 5,776  | 2,990  |
| Chicago                                                         | Nineth Hour Covenant Church               |                      |                               | -                             | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Chicago                                                         | North Park Covenant Church                | 23,749               | 21,680                        | 24,521                        | 19,117                                             | 22,769 | 24,849 |
| Chicago                                                         | Oakdale Covenant Church                   |                      |                               | -                             | 2,000                                              | -      | 2,000  |
| Chicago                                                         | Ravenswood Evangelical Covenant Church    | 2,500                | 2,100                         | 2,100                         | 2,000                                              | 2,695  | 2,000  |
| Chicago                                                         | Resurrection Covenant Church              | 5,375                | 5,000                         | 5,000                         | -                                                  | 2,823  | 7,879  |
| Chicago                                                         | The House Covenant Church                 |                      |                               | -                             | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Chicago                                                         | Thrive Ev Covenant Church                 | Closed               | Closed                        | Closed                        | 786                                                | 530    | 357    |
| Crest Hill                                                      | Good Shepherd Evangelical Covenant Church | 3,468                | 4,833                         | 5,250                         | 4,000                                              | 4,000  | 4,000  |
| Crystal Lake                                                    | Hope Evangelical Covenant Church          | 8,676                | 9,478                         | 9,478                         | 7,311                                              | 8,582  | 7,039  |
| De Kalb                                                         | Hillcrest Covenant Church                 | 3,600                | 3,600                         | 3,600                         | 3,600                                              | 3,600  | 3,924  |
| De Kalb                                                         | Rock Covenant Church                      |                      |                               | -                             | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Dolton                                                          | New Zion Christian Fellowship Church      | 3,000                | 4,500                         | 4,500                         | -                                                  | 3,500  | 3,500  |
| Elgin                                                           | Evangelical Covenant Church               | 3,600                | 3,500                         | 3,500                         | 3,250                                              | 3,000  | 3,500  |
| Evanston                                                        | Sojourner Covenant Church                 | 2,343                | 2,259                         | 2,259                         | 2,903                                              | 3,133  | 3,369  |
| Flossmoor                                                       | Friends 4 Life Covenant Church            |                      |                               | -                             | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Franklin Park                                                   | St Paul's Evangelical Covenant Church     | 500                  | 500                           | 500                           | 500                                                | 250    | -      |
| Galesburg                                                       | Covenant Church                           | 10,562               | 9,947                         | 11,054                        | 8,795                                              | 10,664 | 10,435 |
| Glen Ellyn                                                      | Glen Ellyn Evangelical Covenant Church    | 32,025               | 36,000                        | 36,000                        | 35,500                                             | 34,000 | 33,000 |
| Glenview                                                        | Glenview Korean Covenant Church           | 1,200                | 1,000                         | 1,100                         | 1,200                                              | 1,100  | 1,200  |
| Hinsdale                                                        | Evangelical Covenant Church               | 45,132               | 37,322                        | 37,322                        | 38,247                                             | 33,961 | 31,081 |
| Libertyville                                                    | Libertyville Covenant Church              | 16,500               | 20,625                        | 20,625                        | 16,500                                             | 16,500 | 16,500 |
| Libertyville                                                    | Redeemer Life                             | 3,599                | 3,922                         | 4,483                         | 6,108                                              | 6,249  | 9,741  |
| Lincolnwood                                                     | Community Evangelical Church              |                      |                               | -                             | -                                                  | -      | -      |
| Machesney Park                                                  | North Park Evangelical Covenant Church    | 600                  | 650                           | 650                           | 600                                                | 600    | 600    |
| Matteson                                                        | City of Truth                             |                      |                               | -                             | 1,267                                              | 1,031  | 909    |
| Moline                                                          | Elim Covenant Church                      | 4,507                | 4,000                         | 4,000                         | 5,049                                              | 5,138  | 5,049  |
| Moline                                                          | First Covenant Church                     | 3,700                | 4,400                         | 4,400                         | 4,040                                              | 4,080  | 4,800  |
| Morton Grove                                                    | St. Luke's Christian Community Church     | WITHDREW             | WITHDREW                      | WITHDREW                      | WITHDREW                                           | 1,500  | 900    |
| Mount Prospect                                                  | Northwest Covenant Church                 | 20,735               | 15,232                        | 17,308                        | 14,398                                             | 12,739 | 23,294 |
| Naperville                                                      | Naperville Evangelical Covenant Church    | 20,414               | 16,249                        | 16,249                        | 17,669                                             | 19,693 | 25,266 |
| Northbrook                                                      | Lakeview Covenant Church                  | 3,750                | 3,750                         | 3,750                         | 3,750                                              | 3,500  | 3,250  |
| Northbrook                                                      | Northbrook Evangelical Covenant Church    | 10,100               | 10,000                        | 10,000                        | 10,000                                             | 9,500  | 9,400  |
| Oak Lawn                                                        | Trinity Evangelical Covenant Church       | 2,100                | 2,100                         | 2,100                         | 2,100                                              | 2,100  | 2,100  |
| Oak Park                                                        | Fellowship Christian Church               | 1,200                | 2,100                         | 2,300                         | 1,650                                              | 500    | -      |
| Orland Park                                                     | Hope Covenant Church                      | 4,062                | 2,888                         | 4,463                         | 1,575                                              | 3,150  | 3,150  |
| Palatine                                                        | Deergrove Covenant Church                 | 12,755               | 13,200                        | 14,400                        | 12,390                                             | 9,225  | 14,765 |
| Palatine                                                        | New Life Covenant Church                  | 2,600                | 3,000                         | 3,000                         | 2,800                                              | 2,792  | 3,001  |
| Paxton                                                          | Evangelical Covenant Church               | 2,500                | 2,500                         | 2,500                         | 1,500                                              | 3,375  | 2,500  |
| Peoria                                                          | First Covenant Church                     | 1,320                | 1,320                         | 1,320                         | 1,320                                              | 1,320  | 1,200  |
| Princeton                                                       | Evangelical Covenant Church               | 16,681               | 12,390                        | 12,390                        | 13,215                                             | 11,855 | 11,413 |

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**12 Months (Feb 2017 thru Jan 2018)**

| State & City                   | Church Name                            | Feb - Jan                     | (12 mos)       | (13 mos)       | AMOUNTS RECEIVED               |                |                |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                |                                        | FY 2017                       | Feb - Jan      | Fiscal YR      | (Annual totals for past years) |                |                |
|                                |                                        | 2017                          | 2016           | 2016           | 2015                           | 2014           | 2013           |
| Rockford                       | Bethesda Evangelical Covenant Church   | 10,000                        | 10,000         | 10,000         | 10,000                         | 10,000         | 10,000         |
| Rockford                       | Broadway Covenant Church               | 6,680                         | 6,350          | 6,350          | 6,699                          | 6,830          | 7,220          |
| Rockford                       | Evergreen Ev Cov Church (closed 2016)  | Closed                        | 50             | 50             | 273                            | 204            | 273            |
| Rockford                       | First Evangelical Covenant Church      | 13,650                        | 15,000         | 20,850         | 17,550                         | 23,400         | 26,000         |
| Schaumburg                     | Chicago Woori Church                   |                               | 200            | 200            | 500                            | 500            | -              |
| Schaumburg                     | Covenant Church Of Schaumburg          | 4,442                         | 4,000          | 4,000          | 4,000                          | 4,000          | 4,000          |
| Stillman Valley                | Valley Evangelical Covenant Church     | 2,271                         | 2,492          | 2,700          | 1,251                          | 4,587          | 8,413          |
| Streamwood                     | Iglesia Del Pacto Ev Jerusalem         | 2,584                         | 2,623          | 3,150          | 2,670                          | 1,886          | -              |
| Villa Park                     | Evangelical Covenant Church            | Merged with Christ Cov Church |                |                |                                |                | 2,358          |
| Villa Park                     | Christ Covenant Church                 | 150                           | 1,523          | 1,523          | -                              | 4,000          | 6,625          |
| Wheaton                        | Faith Evangelical Covenant Church      | 13,260                        | 14,365         | 14,365         | 13,098                         | 12,936         | 12,800         |
| Wilmette                       | Winnetka Evangelical Covenant Church   | 20,534                        | 22,027         | 22,869         | 21,185                         | 29,021         | 29,700         |
| <b>SUBTOTAL FOR ILLINOIS:</b>  |                                        | <b>424,085</b>                | <b>395,174</b> | <b>415,497</b> | <b>385,911</b>                 | <b>411,760</b> | <b>460,544</b> |
| <b>INDIANA</b>                 |                                        |                               |                |                |                                |                |                |
| Donaldson                      | Evangelical Covenant Church            | 900                           | 1,125          | 1,200          | 900                            | 900            | 825            |
| Bloomington                    | Sacred Heart Ev Covenant Church        |                               |                | -              | 1,000                          | 3,000          | 1,500          |
| Gary                           | Church Of Gary Covenant Church         | 120                           |                | -              | -                              | -              | -              |
| Indianapolis                   | Hope Evangelical Covenant Church       | 3,997                         | 4,260          | 4,260          | 3,960                          | 4,170          | 3,425          |
| Lafayette                      | Evangelical Covenant Church            | 39,312                        | 37,244         | 41,357         | 37,202                         | 43,760         | 42,779         |
| Marion                         | REAL Community                         | 2,874                         |                |                |                                |                |                |
| Portage                        | Evangelical Covenant Church of Portage | 1,380                         | 1,380          | 1,380          | 1,150                          | 1,380          | 1,380          |
| South Bend                     | Evangelical Covenant Church            | 5,364                         | 6,411          | 7,094          | 7,165                          | 5,940          | 6,955          |
| West Lafayette                 | Riverside Covenant Church              | 19,495                        | 21,631         | 24,997         | 19,170                         | 16,755         | 16,316         |
| <b>SUBTOTAL FOR INDIANA:</b>   |                                        | <b>73,442</b>                 | <b>72,051</b>  | <b>80,288</b>  | <b>70,547</b>                  | <b>75,906</b>  | <b>73,180</b>  |
| <b>MICHIGAN</b>                |                                        |                               |                |                |                                |                |                |
| Foster City                    | Mission Covenant Church                | 800                           | 800            | 800            | 800                            | 400            | 600            |
| Gladstone                      | United Evangelical Covenant Church     | 1,872                         | 4,189          | 4,769          | 5,596                          | 6,627          | 6,677          |
| Iron Mountain                  | First Covenant Church                  | 5,542                         | 6,757          | 7,210          | 5,270                          | 6,673          | 5,239          |
| Iron River                     | Grace Covenant Church                  | 5,583                         | 4,583          | 5,000          | 5,000                          | 4,999          | 9,000          |
| Ishpeming                      | Mission Covenant Church                | 222                           | 117            | 117            | 130                            | -              | 1,359          |
| Menominee                      | Community Covenant Church              | 600                           | 600            | 600            | 600                            | 1,334          | 2,004          |
| Norway                         | Evangelical Covenant Church            | 5,000                         | 4,800          | 4,800          | 4,800                          | 4,565          | 4,500          |
| Skandia                        | Community Covenant Church              | 800                           | 800            | 800            | 800                            | 800            | 800            |
| Stephenson                     | Bethlehem Covenant Church              | 305                           | 341            | 367            | 331                            | 476            | 648            |
| Stephenson                     | Lost Lake Covenant Church              |                               | 300            | 300            | 300                            | 300            | 600            |
| Wallace                        | Bethel Mission Covenant Church         |                               | 300            | 300            | -                              | -              | -              |
| <b>SUBTOTAL FOR MICHIGAN:</b>  |                                        | <b>20,724</b>                 | <b>23,587</b>  | <b>25,063</b>  | <b>23,627</b>                  | <b>26,174</b>  | <b>31,427</b>  |
| <b>MISSOURI</b>                |                                        |                               |                |                |                                |                |                |
| Florissant                     | Christ Covenant Church                 |                               |                | -              | 1,200                          | 1,200          | 1,600          |
| Kirkwood                       | Community Covenant Church              | 2,171                         | 3,201          | 3,492          | 3,492                          | 3,492          | 7,900          |
| Saint Louis                    | Outpour                                | 653                           | 405            | 537            | 556                            | 615            | -              |
| <b>SUBTOTAL FOR MISSOURI:</b>  |                                        | <b>2,824</b>                  | <b>3,606</b>   | <b>4,029</b>   | <b>5,248</b>                   | <b>5,307</b>   | <b>9,500</b>   |
| <b>WISCONSIN</b>               |                                        |                               |                |                |                                |                |                |
| Beloit                         | Redeemer Evangelical Covenant Church   | 2,300                         | 1,300          | 1,300          | 1,450                          | 1,525          | 1,300          |
| Boulder Junction               | Community Church                       | 2,500                         | 3,750          | 3,750          | 2,500                          | 1,250          | 3,950          |
| Elkhorn                        | Millard Community Church               | 5,000                         | 5,000          | 5,290          | 1,040                          | 1,667          | 8,552          |
| Green Bay                      | Bay Evangelical Covenant Church        | 2,887                         | 6,922          | 6,922          | 257                            | 565            | -              |
| Lake Geneva                    | Anchor Covenant Church                 | 4,248                         | 3,907          | 5,951          | 1,659                          | 4,828          | 1,438          |
| Lake Geneva                    | El Buen Pastor Covenant Church         | 100                           |                |                |                                |                |                |
| Madison                        | Arbor Covenant Church                  | 2,000                         | 2,000          | 2,000          | 2,000                          | 2,000          | 2,000          |
| Madison                        | Fountain of Life                       | 1,000                         | 6,000          | 6,000          | 4,000                          | 1,500          | -              |
| Milwaukee                      | Evangelical Covenant Church            | 3,970                         | 2,932          | 2,932          | 3,260                          | 3,260          | 3,260          |
| Milwaukee                      | Harvest Center Ministries              | 1,513                         | 755            | 880            | 957                            | 1,014          | 1,134          |
| Park Falls                     | Evangelical Covenant Church            |                               |                | -              | -                              | -              | -              |
| Sheboygan                      | Zion Covenant Church                   | 2,500                         | 1,000          | 3,500          | -                              | 2,500          | 2,500          |
| <b>SUBTOTAL FOR WISCONSIN:</b> |                                        | <b>28,018</b>                 | <b>33,565</b>  | <b>38,524</b>  | <b>17,123</b>                  | <b>20,109</b>  | <b>24,134</b>  |
| <b>GRAND TOTALS:</b>           |                                        | <b>549,093</b>                | <b>527,983</b> | <b>563,401</b> | <b>502,456</b>                 | <b>539,255</b> | <b>598,785</b> |

% change over prior year: 4.00% 12.13% -6.82% -9.94% 2.96%

NOTE: Several churches regularly give additional financial support to other Conference ministries.

# Financial Reports

## The Central Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church FY2017 INCOME STATEMENT & BUDGETS February 1, 2017 - January 31, 2018

|                                        | Fiscal<br>2017 | FY2017<br>Budget | YTD<br>Variance | FY2018<br>Original<br>Budget | FY2018<br>Revised<br>Budget | FY2019<br>Annual<br>Budget |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>REVENUE</b>                         |                |                  |                 |                              |                             |                            |
| Contributions                          | 572,320        | 575,133          | (2,814)         | 575,133                      | 621,550                     | 641,550                    |
| Denominational Support                 | 68,518         | 34,207           | 34,311          | 34,207                       | 65,000                      | 65,000                     |
| Interest & Investment Income           | 2,479          | 3,400            | (921)           | 3,400                        | 2,000                       | 2,000                      |
| Ministry Development Event Income      | 1,886          | 2,800            | (914)           | 2,800                        | 76,000                      | 1,500                      |
| Other Income                           | 14,303         | 25,800           | (11,497)        | 25,800                       | 10,000                      | 10,000                     |
| <b>Total REVENUE</b>                   | <b>659,505</b> | <b>641,341</b>   | <b>18,165</b>   | <b>641,341</b>               | <b>774,550</b>              | <b>720,050</b>             |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                        |                |                  |                 |                              |                             |                            |
| Church Plants                          | 131,405        | 90,998           | 40,407          | 90,998                       | 166,000                     | 166,000                    |
| Church Revitalization                  | 10,230         | 10,400           | (170)           | 10,400                       | 2,200                       | 2,200                      |
| Congregational & Pastoral Support      | 9,742          | 18,000           | (8,258)         | 18,000                       | 8,600                       | 8,600                      |
| Connecting                             | 2,015          | 4,000            | (1,985)         | 4,000                        | 2,625                       | 2,625                      |
| Salaries & Wages                       | 366,769        | 377,626          | (10,857)        | 377,626                      | 382,702                     | 386,542                    |
| Staff Expenses                         | 35,609         | 21,550           | 14,059          | 21,550                       | 39,800                      | 39,800                     |
| Occupancy Expenses                     | 60,066         | 66,750           | (6,685)         | 58,350                       | 63,826                      | 63,826                     |
| Fixed Asset Expense                    | 11,490         | 12,600           | (1,110)         | 12,600                       | 11,000                      | 8,500                      |
| Other Operational Expenses             | 18,013         | 23,574           | (5,561)         | 23,574                       | 14,500                      | 14,500                     |
| Ministry Development Expenses          | 1,414          | 4,200            | (2,786)         | 4,200                        | 76,500                      | 5,000                      |
| Misc Expense - General                 | 333            | 1,400            | (1,067)         | 1,400                        | 500                         | 500                        |
| Misc Expense - Annual Mtg              | 10,643         | 9,400            | 1,243           | 9,400                        | 13,500                      | 13,500                     |
| Board & committee Expenses - General   | 4,351          | 4,600            | (249)           | 4,600                        | 4,600                       | 4,600                      |
| Conf Exp- Denom Annual Mtg & MidWinter | 11,658         | 8,500            | 3,158           | 8,500                        | 8,500                       | 8,500                      |
| Exec Board Delegates to ECC Annual Mtg | -              | -                | -               | -                            | 3,000                       | 3,000                      |
| Conf Exp - Conf Annual Mtg             | 1,692          | 2,000            | (308)           | 2,000                        | 2,000                       | 2,000                      |
| Misc Exp - Ministers Crisis Fund       | 2,000          | 2,500            | (500)           | 2,500                        | 2,000                       | 2,000                      |
| Depreciation Schedule                  | 13,885         | 14,209           | (323)           | 14,209                       | 715                         | 715                        |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                  | <b>691,316</b> | <b>672,307</b>   | <b>19,009</b>   | <b>663,907</b>               | <b>802,568</b>              | <b>732,408</b>             |
| <b>OTHER INCOME/EXPENSE</b>            |                |                  |                 |                              |                             |                            |
| Gain on sale of asset - General        | 33,255         | A                | 33,255          | -                            | 200,000                     | 200,000                    |
| <b>Total OTHER INCOME/EXPENSE</b>      | <b>33,255</b>  | <b>-</b>         | <b>33,255</b>   | <b>-</b>                     | <b>200,000</b>              | <b>200,000</b>             |
| <b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>           | <b>1,445</b>   | <b>(30,966)</b>  | <b>32,411</b>   | <b>(22,566)</b>              | <b>171,982</b>              | <b>187,642</b>             |

# Financial Reports

**The Central Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As of 1/31/2018**

|                                                   | Fiscal Year<br>01/31/2018 | Last Year<br>01/31/2017 | Variance         |          |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|----------|
| <b>Assets</b>                                     |                           |                         |                  |          |
| <b>Operating Funds</b>                            |                           |                         |                  |          |
| Petty Cash                                        | 143                       | 137                     | 6                |          |
| Operating Account                                 | 39,691                    | (12,331)                | 52,022           |          |
| Money Market                                      | 25,328                    | 1,300                   | 24,028           |          |
| Deposits in Transit                               | 7,594                     | -                       | 7,594            |          |
| <b>Total Operating Funds</b>                      | <b>72,756</b>             | <b>(10,894)</b>         | <b>83,649</b>    | <b>F</b> |
| <b>Investments</b>                                |                           |                         |                  |          |
| Church Demand Investment Account                  | 100,568                   | 207,195                 | (106,627)        |          |
| <b>Total Investments</b>                          | <b>100,568</b>            | <b>207,195</b>          | <b>(106,627)</b> | <b>F</b> |
| <b>Fixed Assets</b>                               |                           |                         |                  |          |
| Automobile                                        | -                         | 13,175                  | (13,175)         | <b>G</b> |
| Furniture, Fixtures & Computer Equipment          | 70                        | 550                     | (480)            |          |
| Other Tangible Property                           | 179                       | 410                     | (231)            |          |
| <b>Total Fixed Assets</b>                         | <b>249</b>                | <b>14,134</b>           | <b>(13,885)</b>  |          |
| <b>Notes &amp; Mortgages Receivable</b>           |                           |                         |                  |          |
| Loans Receivable - Darin Young-Scholer New Church | 7,972                     | 10,372                  | (2,400)          |          |
| <b>Total Notes &amp; Mortgages Receivable</b>     | <b>7,972</b>              | <b>10,372</b>           | <b>(2,400)</b>   |          |
| <b>Other Assets</b>                               |                           |                         |                  |          |
| Prepaid Asset                                     | 3,363                     | -                       | 3,363            |          |
| Prepaid Insurance                                 | 6,871                     | 4,977                   | 1,894            |          |
| <b>Total Other Assets</b>                         | <b>10,234</b>             | <b>4,977</b>            | <b>5,257</b>     |          |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                               | <b>191,778</b>            | <b>225,784</b>          | <b>(34,006)</b>  |          |
| <b>Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>               |                           |                         |                  |          |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                                |                           |                         |                  |          |
| Accounts Payable                                  | 22,819                    | 15,836                  | 6,984            |          |
| Loans Payable & Accrued Liabilities               | 134,113                   | 176,548                 | (42,435)         | <b>H</b> |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                          | <b>156,933</b>            | <b>192,384</b>          | <b>(35,451)</b>  |          |
| <b>Fund Principal</b>                             |                           |                         |                  |          |
| Fund Balances- Undesignated (Gen Unrestricted)    | 4,061                     | 20,021                  | (15,960)         |          |
| Fund Balances- Temporarily Restricted             | 25,476                    | 8,071                   | 17,405           |          |
| Fund Balances-Ministers Crisis Fund               | 3,963                     | 3,963                   | -                |          |
| Fund Balances-Kingdom Growth                      | 1,345                     | 1,345                   | -                |          |
| <b>Total Fund Principal</b>                       | <b>34,846</b>             | <b>33,401</b>           | <b>1,445</b>     |          |
| <b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>         | <b>191,778</b>            | <b>225,784</b>          | <b>(34,006)</b>  |          |
| BEGINNING BALANCE WITH CURRENT YEAR ADJUSTMENTS   | -                         | -                       | -                |          |
| NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)                             | 33,401                    | 106,426                 | (73,025)         |          |
| ENDING FUND BALANCE                               | <b>34,846</b>             | <b>33,401</b>           | <b>1,445</b>     | <b>J</b> |

# Central Conference Districts

## Chicago North

Assyrian ECC – Chicago  
Edgebrook ECC – Chicago  
Grace ECC – Chicago  
Iglesia Albany Park – Chicago  
Iglesia Belen – Chicago  
Iglesia Grace – Chicago  
Immanuel ECC – Chicago  
Jesus People USA Cov. – Chicago  
New Community – Chicago  
North Park Covenant – Chicago  
Ravenswood ECC – Chicago  
Resurrection Cov – Chicago  
River City Covenant – Chicago  
Uptown Church – Chicago\*  
Sojourner Covenant – Evanston  
Winnetka ECC – Wilmette

## Chicago South

Atonement Covenant - Chicago  
Beverly ECC - Chicago  
Calvary Covenant - Chicago  
Community Cov. - Calumet Park  
Friends4Life Cov. - Flossmoor  
Gospel Way ECC - Chicago  
Iglesia Douglas Park - Chicago  
Iglesia Peniel – Chicago  
Kingdom Covenant – Chicago\*  
Mission Covenant - Blue Island  
New Community Bronzeville – Chicago  
New Zion Christian – Dolton  
Oakdale Covenant - Chicago  
St. Peter's Faith Health Cov – Calumet City, IL  
The City of Truth Cov – Oak Lawn  
The House Covenant - Chicago  
The Ninth Hour Cov - Chicago  
Trinity ECC - Oak Lawn

## Lake Shore

Glenview Korean – Glenview  
Lakeview Cov. - Northbrook  
Northbrook ECC-Northbrook  
Northwest - Mt. Prospect  
Peacemakers Korean Cov Church – Elk Grove Village

## Fox Valley

Batavia Covenant – Batavia  
Chicago Woori Church - Schaumburg  
Country ECC – Campton Hills  
Covenant Church of -Schaumburg  
DeerGrove Covenant - Palatine  
ECC - Elgin  
Hillcrest Covenant - DeKalb  
Hope ECC - Crystal Lake  
Iglesia Jerusalén – Streamwood\*  
Iglesia Renacer - Carpentersville  
New Life - Palatine  
The Rock Covenant - DeKalb

## Northern Illinois

Bethesda ECC - Rockford  
Broadway Cov. - Rockford  
Ev. Mission Cov. - Belvidere  
First ECC - Rockford  
North Park ECC – Machesney Pk  
Valley ECC - Stillman Valley

## Western Illinois

Covenant - Galesburg  
ECC - Princeton  
Elim Covenant - Moline  
First Covenant - Moline  
First Covenant - Peoria

## Western Suburban

Christ Cov Church – Villa Park  
City of Hope - Bolingbrook  
ECC - Hinsdale  
Faith ECC - Wheaton  
Fellowship Christian-Oak Park  
Glen Ellyn ECC - Glen Ellyn  
Good Shepherd ECC - Crest Hill  
Hope Covenant - Orland Park  
Naperville ECC - Naperville  
St. Paul's ECC – Franklin Park

## Indiana

Berean - Champaign, IL  
Church of Gary - Gary  
Covenant Community – South Bend  
ECC - Donaldson  
ECC - Lafayette  
ECC - Paxton, IL  
ECC of Portage  
Hope ECC – Indianapolis  
Real Community – Marion\*  
Riverside - West Lafayette  
Sacred Heart ECC – Bloomington

## Great Lakes-MI/WI

Bethel Mission Covenant - Wallace  
Bethlehem Covenant - Stephenson  
Community - Boulder Junction  
Community Cov. - Menominee  
Community Covenant - Skandia  
ECC - Norway  
ECC - Park Falls  
First Covenant - Iron Mountain  
Grace Covenant - Iron River  
Lost Lake Covenant - Stephenson  
Mission Covenant - Foster City  
Mission Covenant Church - Ishpeming  
United ECC - Gladstone

## St. Louis

Christ Covenant - Florissant  
Community Covenant - Kirkwood  
Outpour - St. Louis

## Southern Wisconsin

Anchor Covenant - Lake Geneva  
Arbor Covenant - Madison  
Bay ECC - Green Bay  
ECC - Milwaukee  
El Buen Pastor – Lake Geneva\*  
Fountain of Life - Madison  
Harvest Center – Milwaukee  
Libertyville Covenant-Libertyville, IL  
Millard Community – Elkhorn  
Redeemer ECC – Beloit  
Redeemer Life – Libertyville, IL  
Zion Covenant - Sheboygan

## \* Church Plant

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## **Glen Ellyn Covenant Church Area Restaurants**

### Alfie's Inn

Casual American eatery for burgers, ribs & other basics in medieval-themed digs.  
425 Roosevelt Rd, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-858-2506

### A Toda Madre

Imaginative, market-fresh takes on regional Mexican favorites.  
499 N Main St, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-474-0969

### Barone's Family Style Restaurant

Casual staple serving thin-crust, pan & stuffed pizzas, pasta, sandwiches & Italian entrees.  
475 Pennsylvania Ave, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-858-0555

### Blackberry Market

Cafe/market with a healthy slant.  
401 N Main St, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-474-9149

### Bombay Joes Gastropub

Indian fusion  
462 N Park Blvd #120, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-888-502-5102

### Bricks Wood Fired Pizza – Wheaton

Local pizzeria chain serving wood-fired Neapolitan pies & sandwiches.  
103 E Front St, Wheaton, IL 60187  
1-630-784-4620

### Ivy Restaurant

Modern American chophouse serving steaks, seafood & pasta in a relaxed, upscale setting.  
120 N Hale St, Wheaton, IL 60187  
1-630-665-2489

### Javi's Burritos

Carry out – Pick up - Delivery  
544 Crescent Blvd, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-474-0980

### Made in Italy Express

Deli  
546 Crescent Blvd, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-469-6131

### Made in Italy Trattoria

Authentic Italian restaurant  
476 Forest Ave, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-469-4146

### Mai Thai

Modest/small family-run eatery serving traditional, spiced-to-order Thai cuisine.  
140 N Main St, Wheaton, IL 60187  
1-630-510-3680

### Maize + Mash

American restaurant  
430 N Main St, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-547-2540

### Portillo's Hot Dogs

American restaurant chain that specializes in serving Chicago-style food.  
235 North Ave, Glendale Heights, IL 60139  
630-690-9380

### Steamboat

Southern style barbecue  
322 E Geneva Rd, Wheaton, IL 60187  
(630) 665-6227

### Thipi Thai

Thai restaurant featuring traditional fare.  
530 Crescent Blvd # A, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
1-630-469-9001

### Wok 'n Fire

Local Pan-Asian chain.  
120 E Liberty Dr, Wheaton, IL 60187  
1-630-665-1440