

Part VIII

STATISTICS

REPORT FROM THE CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN

This report is the amalgamation of the year end statistical reports provided to the Annual Conference by each of the Florida churches. While providing accurate data is first the responsibility of the local church, the District AAs carefully review each year-end statistical report for accuracy and reasonableness before releasing them to the conference for further review. I especially want to thank each member of the district staff who worked so hard to provide accurate information and the skilled conference staff as well.

Each year as church staff changes, the accumulation of accurate data becomes more suspect. While this report cannot fully reflect the effectiveness of the mission and ministry of the church, it is utilized by many and is the basis for decisions made at every level in the connection.

I would be remiss if I didn't raise up Gretchen Hastings, Managing Director Connectional Relations, Cynthia Truemper and Katie McNichol. Without their attention to detail and tireless commitment none of this could be possible.

Milton E. Wilson, Year Ending December 31, 2010

NOTE: Every quadrennium the Committee on Official Forms and Records meets and re-evaluates the statistical forms and makes changes as needed. Two-thousand nine (2009) was the beginning of a new quadrennium that will be in effect from 2009-2012. Many significant changes were made to the 2009 year-end statistical report which included the removing of questions, adding new questions and changing the wording of a question. Because of this, line numbers and questions for 2010 data will not necessarily line up with previous years.

For a more detailed comparison of the changes, as well as answers to questions about how the data is used and who uses it, please visit the statistics section of the General Council on Finance and Administration website (www.gcfa.org/stats.html) and click on "*Comparisons of New Statistics Forms to the Previous Version*" under the heading "*What has changed?*" or "*A Guide to the Users of Local Church Statistics Gathered*" under the heading "*Who uses this data?*"

STATISTICAL TABLES - NEW THIS YEAR! All local church statistical information collected for the year 2010 is now available to all local churches in an Excel spreadsheet. Local churches can access the Excel spreadsheet through their local church log-in via the Conference Website (www.flumc.org). The Excel spreadsheet is laid out by district, with a recap of district and conference totals. Having it in an Excel spreadsheet will enable users to search and sort the data as needed. All local church statistical information collected for the year 2010 is also available in PDF format on the Conference website (www.flumc.org) and the 2010 CD Rom Journal for easy printing.

In an effort to reduce printing and mailing costs, and to provide the data in a more useable format, you will not find the traditional pages of statistical tables printed here in the Journal. A printed copy of all local church statistics has been provided to the General Council on Finance and Administration, the General Commission on Archives and History, and several printed copies are kept at the Conference Center.

Included in the following pages are statistical highlights for the year 2010.

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Summary of Statistics By Year

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2009-2010 Change (#)	2009-2010 Change (%)
Total Membership at End of Year	334,053	331,806	329,018	326,272	321,849	317,716	310,711	302,497	294,935	294,479	(456)	(0.155%)
Members Received-Profession of Faith	9,512	8,679	8,212	8,233	7,751	7,693	6,897	6,683	6,514	6,055	(459)	(7%)
Members Received-Affirmation*	1,516	1,985	2,134	1,475	1,908	2,272	2,299	2,527	1,532	1,295	(237)	(15%)
Members Received-Transfer from Other UMC	6,236	5,795	5,733	5,182	5,522	5,687	3,812	3,933	3,413	3,059	(354)	(10%)
Members Received-Transfer from Other Denomination	4,193	3,566	3,761	3,421	3,388	3,161	1,699	2,609	2,244	1,857	(387)	(17%)
Members Removed-Charge Conference	7,418	7,152	7,478	6,546	8,148	7,154	9,267	9,768	6,707	7,557	850	13%
Members Removed-Withdrawn	3,312	3,585	4,271	3,418	3,694	4,999	4,230	3,858	2,904	2,652	(252)	(9%)
Members Removed-Transfer other UMC	4,100	4,347	4,249	3,723	4,354	3,604	3,812	2,848	2,867	2,247	(620)	(22%)
Members Removed-Transfer other Denomination	2,596	2,025	1,722	2,598	1,735	1,796	1,699	1,566	1,270	1,206	(64)	(5%)
Members Removed-Death	5,216	5,163	4,908	4,772	4,616	4,558	4,262	4,237	4,206	4,146	(60)	(1%)
Average Attendance-Weekly Worship	166,817	163,860	161,375	161,401	156,803	155,181	151,354	144,149	146,855	142,177	(4,678)	(3%)
Number Baptized	5,964	5,637	5,780	5,150	4,813	5,323	4,657	4,207	4,389	3,942	(447)	(10%)
Church School-Average Attendance	56,079	56,775	57,693	52,111	50,127	49,412	47,135	45,018	41,985	40,858	(1,127)	(3%)
UMM-Membership	11,909	11,307	10,622	9,951	10,158	9,733	9,605	8,955	8,251	8,022	(229)	(3%)
UMW-Membership	31,215	31,043	29,125	27,048	26,468	25,459	23,746	21,742	20,815	19,362	(1,453)	(7%)

*This figured included corrections to the previous year's data until 2009. In 2009 the corrections to the previous year's data was broken out as a separate question. That figure was 2,277. This helps explain the large decrease from 2008 to 2009.

Church Membership

This table shows the number of churches in each district with membership at the end of 2010 in the size of the categories as indicated.

District	0-100 Members	101-250 Members	251-500 Members	501-750 Members	751-1,000 Members	1,000- 2,000 Members	Over 2,000 Members
AC	5	14	23	6	3	9	3
EC	19	21	17	4	5	11	4
GC	5	18	18	10	4	10	2
NC	38	28	13	3	4	4	1
NE	19	27	17	7	4	5	2
NW	39	26	13	2	0	0	3
SC	15	27	17	8	3	3	5
SE	15	26	19	5	1	5	1
SW	11	19	14	7	8	6	2
Totals	166	206	151	52	32	53	23

Average Worship Attendance

This table shows the number of churches in each district with an average worship attendance during 2010 in the size of the categories as indicated.

District	0-50 Worshipers	51-125 Worshipers	126-250 Worshipers	251-375 Worshipers	376-500 Worshipers	501-1,000 Worshipers	Over 1,000 Worshipers
AC	6	15	17	9	9	7	0
EC	11	28	13	8	8	11	2
GC	2	21	21	10	2	9	2
NC	37	28	14	2	3	5	2
NE	23	29	17	5	3	2	2
NW	40	28	11	0	3	0	1
SC	16	26	17	8	2	5	4
SE	14	24	24	5	3	1	1
SW	4	22	17	6	8	7	3
Totals	153	221	151	53	41	47	17

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2010 Highest Church Membership			
District	Church Name (Pastor)	Total Professing Members at End of 2010	
EC	St Luke's-Orlando (Rev William S Barnes)	4,972	
SC	First-Lakeland (Rev W David McEntire)	4,637	
GC	St Paul-Largo (Dr Albert G Blomquist)	3,968	
NC	Trinity-Gainesville (Rev Dan G Johnson)	3,888	
NW	Killearn-Tallahassee (Rev Robert G Tindale)	2,870	
NE	Mandarin-Jacksonville (Rev Deborah A McLeod)	2,820	
SC	Van Dyke-Lutz (Rev Matthew S Hartsfield)	2,768	
AC	Suntree-Melbourne (Rev John B Hill)	2,646	
EC	First-Winter Park (Rev Robert B Bushong)	2,477	
AC	First-Stuart (Rev R Phillips Short Jr)	2,468	
EC	First-Orlando (Rev Gary A Spencer)	2,441	
NW	Trinity-Tallahassee (Rev E Wayne Curry)	2,327	
SC	First-Brandon (Rev Jamie Westlake)	2,278	
SW	Englewood-Englewood (Rev David W Baldrige)	2,277	
NE	Beach-Jacksonville Beach (Rev Gerald L Sweat)	2,264	
SE	Christ-Ft. Lauderdale Campus (Rev Phil H Roughton)	2,214	
SC	St Andrew's-Brandon (Rev Robert M Gibbs)	2,174	
EC	First-Kissimmee (Rev Robert M Wooten Sr)	2,163	
NW	Saint Paul's-Tallahassee (Rev J Clarke Campbell-Evans)	2,162	
AC	Trinity-Palm Beach Gardens (Rev Durwood O Foshee III)	2,145	
2010 Highest Church Membership Change Percentage (churches over 2 years old with increase in membership of 10 or more)			
District	Church Name (Pastor)	# Change	% Change
NE	Asbury - Orange Park	134	51.15%
EC	First - Pine Hills	94	50.81%
SC	Highlands - Lakeland	43	39.81%
SW	Trinity - Ft Myers	12	34.29%
SC	Trilby	14	30.43%
SW	First - Avon Park	24	26.37%
NE	Franklinton - Fernandina Beach	6	26.09%
SC	Community - San Antonio	23	25.56%
GC	Mariner - Spring Hill	95	23.23%
NW	New Life - Tallahassee	16	22.86%
SE	Riverside - Miami	10	22.73%
NC	Wildwood	65	21.89%
GC	New Hope - Istachatta	11	19.30%
SC	Springhead - Plant City	9	18.37%
SE	Wesley Chapel - Ft Lauderdale	10	18.18%
NW	Sardis - Monticello	7	17.95%
EC	Barnett Memorial - Enterprise	6	17.65%
NC	Anthony	23	16.67%
EC	First Hispanic - Kissimmee	15	16.13%
SC	Grace - Plant City	5	16.13%

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2010 Highest # Participants in Christian Formation Groups		
District	Church Name (Pastor)	Total Participants
SW	Grace - Cape Coral (Rev Jorge A Acevedo)	3,229
NE	Beach - Jacksonville Beach (Rev. Gerald Sweat)	2,935
SC	First - Lakeland (Rev W David McEntire)	2,804
SC	Van Dyke - Lutz (Rev Matthew S Hartsfield)	2,374
EC	St Luke's - Orlando (Rev William S Barnes)	2,359
NC	Trinity - Gainesville (Rev Dan G Johnson)	1,662
SC	St Andrew's - Brandon (Rev Robert M Gibbs)	1,612
NW	Killlearn - Tallahassee (Rev Robert G Tindale)	1,455
SC	Lake Magdalene - Tampa (Rev Richard A Nussel)	1,442
SC	First - Brandon (Rev Jamie Westlake)	1,385
GC	Heritage - Clearwater (Rev David L Landers)	1,356
AC	St Peter's - Wellington (Rainer G Richter)	1,250
EC	University Carillon - Oviedo (Rev Joseph R MacLaren,	1,216
AC	First - Boca Raton East Campus (Rev Kenneth M	1,181
NC	Morrison - Leesburg (Rev John W Harrington)	1,161
NE	CrossRoad - Jacksonville (Rev George H Sprague III)	1,153
NW	Saint Paul's - Tallahassee (Rev J Clarke Campbell-Evans)	1,126
SW	N Naples (Rev Ted L Sauter)	1,120
NC	New Covenant - The Villages (Rev Donald P Hanna)	1,114
SE	Christ - Ft. Lauderdale Campus (Rev Phil H Roughton)	1,063
2010 Highest Average Sunday School Attendance		
District	Church Name (Pastor)	Average Attendance
SE	Christ-Ft. Lauderdale Campus (Rev Phil H Roughton)	1,052
EC	St Luke's-Orlando (Rev William S Barnes)	786
NC	Trinity-Gainesville (Rev Dan G Johnson)	785
SC	Van Dyke-Lutz (Rev Matthew S Hartsfield)	730
SC	Lake Magdalene-Tampa (Rev Richard A Nussel)	473
NE	Mandarin-Jacksonville (Rev Deborah A McLeod)	467
SW	Grace-Cape Coral (Rev Jorge A Acevedo)	443
SC	First-Lakeland (Rev W David McEntire)	439
SE	Southside - Jacksonville (Rev Bruce T Jones)	425
SW	N Naples (Rev Ted L Sauter)	380
NE	Beach-Jacksonville Beach (Rev Gerald L Sweat)	364
NC	Grace at Fort Clarke-Gainesville (Rev Dennis C Heiberg)	356
EC	First-Orlando (Rev Gary A Spencer)	355
NC	New Covenant-The Villages (Rev Donald P Hanna)	338
SC	First-Brandon (Rev Jamie Westlake)	331
NC	First-Ocala (Rev Sue E Hauptert-Johnson)	331
NE	Orange Park-Orange Park (Mark E Becker)	330
AC	Community of Hope - Loxahatchee (Rev E Dale Locke)	330
NW	Killlearn-Tallahassee (Rev Robert G Tindale)	322
NE	Ortega-Jacksonville (Rev Daniel Casselberry)	318