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**II. REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN FOR 2021  
CONDENSED REPORT**

Line	Description	2020	2021	Difference
	<b>Professing Membership</b>			
1	Total professing members reported at the close of last year	217,589	212,193	2% Decrease
2a	Received this year on Profession of Faith through confirmation	640	666	4% Increase
2b	Received this year on Profession of Faith other than confirmation	571	473	17% Decrease
2c	Membership restored by Affirmation of Faith	138	131	5% Decrease
2d	Added by correction	479	91	81% Decrease
2e	Transferred in from another United Methodist Church	674	1,001	49% Increase
2f	Transferred in from a non-United Methodist Church	599	661	10% Increase
3a	Removed by Charge Conference Action	1,163	687	41% Decrease
3b	Withdrawn from Professing Membership	439	414	6% Decrease
3c	Removed by Correction	2,166	2,607	20% Increase
3d	Transferred out to another United Methodist Church	1,087	1,089	Less than 1% Increase
3e	Transferred out to a non-United Methodist Church	496	594	20% Increase
3f	Removed by death/deceased	3,105	3,050	2% Decrease
4	TOTAL PROFESSING MEMBERS reported at the close of this year	212,234	206,775	3% Decrease
	<b>Membership Ethnicity</b>			
5a	Asian	795	681	14% Decrease
5b	Black	40,485	39,602	2% Decrease
5c	Hispanic/Latino	370	358	3% Decrease
5d	Native American	109	111	2% Increase
5e	Pacific Islander	55	52	5% Decrease
5f	White	169,750	165,290	3% Decrease
5g	Multiracial	670	681	2% Increase
5	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP ETHNICITY (5a+5b+5c+5d+5e+5f+5g = 5 = 4)	212,234	206,775	3% Decrease
	<b>Membership Gender</b>			
6a	Female	121,210	118,419	2% Decrease
6b	Male	91,024	88,352	3% Decrease
6c	Non-Binary	-	4	Previous Year was 0
6	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP GENDER (6a+6b+6c = 6 = 4)	212,234	206,775	3% Decrease
7	Average attendance at all weekly worship services	54,250	48,663	10% Decrease
7a	Number of persons who worship online	72,579	71,551	1% Decrease
8a	Number of persons baptized this year (0-12 Years)	540	670	24% Increase

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Line	Description	2020	2021	Difference
8b	Number of persons baptized this year (ages 13 or older)	216	204	6% Decrease
8	Total number of persons baptized this year (sum of 8a+8b)	756	874	16% Increase
9	Total Baptized Members who have not become Professing Members	11,284	11,376	Less than 1% Increase
10	Number of other constituents of the church	18,925	18,081	4% Decrease
	<b>PARTICIPANTS IN CHRISTIAN FORMATION GROUPS (CFG), including Sunday School, educational classes, and other small group ministries</b>			
11a	Number of CHILDREN CFG participants and leaders (ages 0-11)	13,655	11,929	13% Decrease
11b	Number of YOUTH CFG participants and leaders (ages 12-18)	8,266	7,496	9% Decrease
11c	Number of YOUNG ADULTS CFG participants and leaders (ages 19-30)	5,068	4,413	13% Decrease
11d	Number of OTHER ADULT CFG participants and leaders (ages 31+)	37,144	34,737	6% Decrease
11	TOTAL Christian Formation Group Participants (Total of lines 11a-d)	64,133	58,575	9% Decrease
	<b>Other Classes and Education</b>			
12	Total enrolled in confirmation preparation classes this year	973	845	13% Decrease
13	Average weekly attendance (all ages) in Sunday Church School or other weekly education classes	22,134	19,603	11% Decrease
14	Number of participants in Vacation Bible School	9,247	14,773	60% Increase
15	Number of ongoing Sunday Church School Classes offered	2,806	2,416	14% Decrease
16	Number of ongoing small groups, support groups, or classes offered (other than Sunday Church School)	2,846	2,716	5% Decrease
17	Number of support groups or small groups offered for a short term only	1,257	1,193	5% Decrease
18a	Membership in United Methodist Men	8,963	8,221	8% Decrease
18b	Amount paid for projects (UMM)	495,664	522,401	5% Increase
19a	Membership in United Methodist Women	19,201	14,660	24% Decrease
19b	Amount paid for local church and community work (UMW)	716,951	693,472	3% Decrease
	<b>Mission Engagement</b>			
20a	Number of UMMIM teams sent from this local church	64	91	42% Increase
20b	Number of persons sent out on UMMIM teams from this local church	652	251	62% Decrease
21	Total Number of community ministries for outreach, justice, and mercy offered by this local church	7,775	7,683	1% Decrease
21a	Of the ministries counted in Line 21, how many focus on global/regional health?	1,920	1,982	3% Increase
21b	Of the ministries counted in Line 21, how many focus on engaging in ministry with the poor/socially marginalized?	5,301	5,371	1% Increase
22	Number of persons from your congregation serving in mission/community ministries	31,894	30,273	5% Decrease
23	Number of persons served by community ministries for outreach, justice, and mercy	989,401	917,765	7% Decrease

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Line	Description	2020	2021	Difference
	<b>Assets and Debt</b>			
24	Market value of church-owned land, buildings, vehicles and equipment	2,025,558,472	2,061,557,289	2% Increase
25	Market value of financial and other liquid assets	214,101,923	220,729,291	3% Increase
26	Debt secured by church physical assets	65,307,278	64,546,530	1% Decrease
27	Other debt	4,500,573	3,336,062	26% Decrease
	<b>Church Expenditures</b>			
28a	Amount APPORTIONED to the local church by the CONFERENCE	17,605,085	17,250,816	2% Decrease
28b	Amount APPORTIONED to the local church by the DISTRICT (if applicable)	-	-	No Change
	<b>Benevolent Giving</b>			
29a	*Amount PAID by the local church to the CONFERENCE for all apportioned causes	15,347,189	15,814,223	3% Increase
29b	Amount PAID by the local church to the DISTRICT for all apportioned causes (if applicable)	-	-	No Change
30	*General Advance Specials	146,433	186,260	27% Increase
31	*World Service Specials	-	-	No Change
32	*Annual Conference Advance Specials	86,968	22,805	74% Decrease
33	*Youth Service Fund	55	25	55% Decrease
34	*All other funds sent to Conference for connectional mission and ministry	338,933	476,059	40% Increase
35	*Total Annual Conference Special Sundays Offerings	366,671	418,656	14% Increase
36a	*Human Relations Sunday	5,899	2,518	57% Decrease
36b	*UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing)	3,627	9,526	163% Increase
36c	*Peace with Justice Sunday	2,289	1,312	43% Decrease
36d	*Native American Ministries Sunday	4,572	7,848	72% Increase
36e	*World Communion Sunday	4,159	4,921	18% Increase
36f	*U.M. Student Day	4,414	2,454	44% Decrease
37	Total amount given directly to United Methodist causes (not sent to Conference)	1,872,185	1,938,523	4% Increase
38	Total amount given to non-United Methodist benevolent and charitable causes	7,255,022	8,003,366	10% Increase
	<b>Clergy and Staff</b>			
	<b>Pension and Health</b>			
39	Total paid for direct-billed and/or non-apportioned clergy pension and other non-health benefits. The Conference treasurer's office will complete this line.	3,089,316	3,971,702	29% Increase
40	Total paid for direct-billed and/or non-apportioned clergy health benefits. This line will be completed by the Conference.	3,713,277	4,602,015	24% Increase

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	<b>Clergy Compensation</b>			
41a	Base compensation paid to/for the Senior Pastor or other person assigned or appointed in the lead pastoral role to the church (this person could be anyone, as long as he/she is assigned or appointed to the lead pastor role).	30,219,638	30,229,549	Less than 1% Increase
41b	Base compensation paid to/for all Associate Pastor(s) and other pastoral staff assigned or appointed to the church. Include deacons and other clergy in this role.	2,333,134	2,236,278	4% Decrease
41c	Base compensation paid to/for any Deacons not included in 41a or 41b.	270,940	233,623	14% Decrease
42a	Housing benefits paid to/for Lead Pastor or person in lead pastoral role as described in 41a. This field is calculated for you as the sum of 42a.1 and 42a.2.	3,125,138	3,290,558	5% Increase
42b	Housing benefits paid to/for all Associate Pastor(s) and other pastoral staff assigned or appointed to the church. Include deacons and other clergy in this role. This line is calculated for you as the sum of 42b.1 and 42b.2.	650,186	627,797	3% Decrease
42c	Housing benefits paid to/for any Deacons not included in 41a or 41b. This line is calculated for you as the sum of 42c.1 and 42c.2.	54,553	33,454	39% Decrease
43	Total amount paid to pastor and associate(s) for accountable reimbursements	1,460,862	1,236,349	15% Decrease
44	Total amount paid to pastor and associate(s) for any other cash allowances (non accountable)	299,113	107,812	64% Decrease
45	Total amount paid in salary and benefits for all other church staff and diaconal ministers	35,546,827	36,246,130	2% Increase
	<b>Program and Operating Expenses</b>			
46	Total amount spent for local church program expenses	6,686,971	7,200,400	8% Increase
47	Total amount spent for other local church operating expenses	32,381,847	34,450,297	6% Increase
	<b>Debt Payments and Building Improvements</b>			
48	Total amount paid for principal and interest on indebtedness, loans, mortgages, etc.	11,418,909	10,200,755	11% Decrease
49	Total amount paid on capital expenditures for building, improvements, and major equipment purchases	12,844,399	13,713,244	7% Increase
50	TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES (Sum of Lines 29a through 49)	169,533,526	175,268,459	3% Increase
51	Number of giving units	70,952	68,655	3% Decrease
	<b>Received for Annual Budget/Spending Plan</b>			
52a	Amount received through pledges	58,754,191	53,870,509	8% Decrease
52b	Amount received from non-pledging, but identified givers	96,188,921	104,892,749	9% Increase
52c	Amount received from unidentified givers	2,105,456	2,388,492	13% Increase
52d	Amount received from interest and dividends and/or transferred from liquid assets	1,431,250	1,560,062	9% Increase
52e	Amount received from Sale of Church Assets for Budget	134,094	77,484	42% Decrease
52f	Amount received through building use fees, contributions, and rentals	1,427,165	1,592,443	12% Increase

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Line	Description	2020	2021	Difference
52g	Amount received through fundraisers and other sources	2,871,294	3,303,436	15% Increase
52t	Total income for annual budget/spending plan	162,912,371	167,685,175	3% Increase
53	<b>Received for Capital Campaigns and other designated special projects</b>			
53a	Capital campaigns	6,189,338	7,801,721	26% Increase
53b	Memorials, endowments, and bequests	4,531,563	6,902,353	52% Increase
53c	Funds from other sources and projects, including sale of buildings	3,755,890	4,611,937	23% Increase
53d	Amount received for Special Sundays, General Advance Specials, World Service Specials, Conference Advance Specials and other forms of directed benevolent (charitable) giving	2,432,798	3,508,057	44% Increase
53t	Total income for designated causes including capital campaign and other special projects	16,909,589	22,824,068	35% Increase
54	<b>Income from Connectional Funds or other external sources</b>			
54a	Equitable Compensation Funds received by Church or Pastor	353,539	317,741	10% Decrease
54b	Advance Special, apportioned, and connectional funds received by church	247,360	178,313	28% Decrease
54c	Other grants and financial support from institutional sources	5,766,875	3,419,938	41% Decrease
54t	Total income from connectional and other institutional sources outside the local church	6,367,774	3,915,992	39% Decrease
55	TOTAL CHURCH INCOME (Sum of Lines 52 + 53 + 54)	186,189,734	194,425,235	4% Increase

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The beginning membership for 2021 does not agree to the ending membership for 2020 because of closed churches reporting an ending membership for 2020: Greeleyville (FL) 41.

**B. STATISTICAL TABLES**

Compiled from the Reports of the Pastors

Table I, Table II and Table III

for the year

January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021