

News Bulletin from the General Superintendent November 14, 2024

Worldwide Statistics

- Presence in 200 of 210 nations, plus 31 territories
- New emphasis on reaching 17,000 people groups
- Almost 6 million constituents
- 45,521 churches; 45,880 ministers
- Last year, an estimated 273,000 were baptized and 340,000 received the Holy Ghost

US & Canada Statistics



- 5,081 churches
- 12,018 ministers; 1,018 women (8.5%)
- About 1 million constituents
- Demographics: White 61%, Hispanic 19%, Black 15%, Asian 3%, Native 1%
- Church planting: gross growth rate of 5% annually (242 in 2023, 243 in 2024)
- Urshan University: 600 students; accredited bachelor's, master's, doctor's degrees
- UPCI campuses in Weldon Spring and Wentzville, Missouri: 200 acres; net value \$51 million
- General Conference: peak attendance 11,500; total attendance 15,000

Finances (Consolidated)

- Net assets: \$96 million
- Annual revenue: \$91 million
- Annual giving to seven general ministries: \$62 million; 95% of churches gave to at least one

- Loan Fund: assets of \$100 million, 280 churches assisted
- Ministers Retirement Fund (<u>mrfupci.org</u>): \$130 million; 1,500 participants; 800 churches

Resources

- <u>PentecostalPublishing.com</u>: books and other media, including curricula for children, youth, adults, discipleship, small groups
- <u>DiscipleshipNow.com</u>: video and small group resources
- <u>MinistryCentral.com</u>: training for ministers and leaders. Includes Multicultural Ministries Mosaic (diversity training, free), Music Ministry, Strategic Growth (free), SafeChurch (free).
- Endorsed Ministries (<u>UPCI.org/Endorsed-Ministries</u>): includes adoption, business, chaplaincy, children's homes, church growth, counseling, humanitarian relief, education, healthcare, law, ministry training, mission funding, political liaison, radio, recovery ministry
- <u>StewardshipConnect.com</u>: budgeting and financial resources. Stewardship Group includes United Insurance Solutions, UPC Loan Fund, United Pentecostal Foundation. Partnership with LifeSprings (entrepreneurs) for launching businesses to provide external funding.
- <u>UPCIMinisters.com</u>: resources for ministers; includes UPCI Directory and UPCI Manual, which has "Local Church Government" and "Resources for Local Churches" (resolutions and policies)

References

- <u>UPCI.org/Stats</u>: statistics and survey results
- <u>UPCI.org/Statements-Archive</u>: Position Papers, including "Abuse and Sexual Misconduct," "Biblical View of Human Sexuality," "Church Government," "Racial and Ethnic Affirmation"
- <u>UPCI.org/SafeChurch</u>: polices and training for preventing and dealing with abuse

Sincerely in Christ,

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