



## CONGREGATION STATISTICS

Note: This form will time out if left open for more than two hours. If you would like to complete this form in hardcopy format before entering the information online, click the print button from your browser to print a blank form. Then return to the online form when ready.

Key:

- ? indicates further instructions are available for a particular item.
- \* indicates a required field.

Submitter information (required in case follow-up is needed):

Name:  \*

E-mail address:  \*

Phone number:  \*

### CONGREGATION

Instructions:

- Check addresses as of 12/31/2014 . If incorrect, please contact WELS Ministry of Christian Giving at 800-827-5482 or [karen.martinez@wels.net](mailto:karen.martinez@wels.net) .

Name:  Year organized:

Mailing address: ?

Physical address: ?

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Contact e-mail address for church: ?

Synodical status:

- Member of synod
- Non-member (Independent)
- Home mission
- Preaching station

Subsidies:

Check one or both, if congregation received subsidy from synod during 2014

- Operating subsidy
- Loan (interest) subsidy

Languages used in public services (other than English), including Signed:

Language 1:

Language 2:

Language 3:

Language 4:

### PASTOR(S)

Instructions:

- The names of the pastoral staff listed are as of 12/31/2014 . If that information is incorrect please contact WELS Ministry of Christian Giving at 800-827-5482 or [karen.martinez@wels.net](mailto:karen.martinez@wels.net) . (Note: if the congregation was vacant as of 12/31/2014 , the list of names will be blank.)
- The "total number of pastors" field should include all pastors as well as any vacant and/or budgeted positions.

Pastors as of 12/27/2014 : ?

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Total number of pastors (when fully staffed): ?  \*

## MEMBERS AND MINISTRATIONS

Instructions:

- Confirmations - adult - *Those who have completed a full course of instruction (includes previously confirmed non-WELS Lutherans).*
- Received by profession of faith - *Previously confirmed Lutherans who are received into membership with little or no extra instruction.*
- Deaths - *Report deaths of communicant members only, including those who were buried elsewhere by another pastor.*
- Removals - *Removals and excommunications. Also include those who request to be removed with no intention of joining another Christian church.*
- Communicant members at end of 2013 - *The communicant figure your congregation reported for the previous Statistical Report is pre-filled here. (If not pre-populated please fill in the communicant members override field.)*
- Communicant members override - *If no report was filed for 2013 ("Communicant members at end of 2013" is blank) or if the total for "Communicant members at end of 2014" is incorrect, enter the correct communicant membership total for 2014.*
- Baptized members at end of 2014 - *Report members of all ages. Include only baptized members who are under your spiritual care and are not counted as members in another congregation.*
- Average weekly worship attendance - *Include all weekly worship services except special seasonal services such as Lent, Advent, Good Friday, Thanksgiving, etc.*
- Marriages - *Report those marriages conducted under the name of your congregation (marriages coordinated and conducted under the supervision of your congregation's pastor(s), including services held off-site or where a guest pastor preached or officiated).*
- Burials - *Report all burials, members and non-members.*

Communicant members

Confirmations - children:	<input type="text"/>	*	Deaths (communicant members only): ?	<input type="text"/>	*
Confirmations - adult: ?	<input type="text"/>	*	Transferred to sister congregations:	<input type="text"/>	*
Received by profession of faith: ?	<input type="text"/>	*	Joined other Christian churches:	<input type="text"/>	*
Transferred from sister congregation:	<input type="text"/>	*	Removals: ?	<input type="text"/>	*
<b>Total communicants gained:</b>	<input type="text" value="0"/>		<b>Total communicants lost:</b>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	

Communicant members at the end of : ?

Net gain or loss of c communicants (total communicants gained - total communicants lost):

Communicant members at the end of 2014 :

(Communicant members at the end of 2013 + net gain or loss of communicants):

Communicant members override: ?

Baptized members at the end of 2014 : ?  \* NOTE: The total number of baptized members cannot be less than the total number of communicant members.

Average weekly worship attendance: ?  \*

Baptisms - children:  \*

Baptisms - adult:  \*

Marriages: ?  \*

Burials: ?  \*

Total children in your congregation, ages 5 through 13:  \*

## EDUCATION

Instructions:

- Male/female elementary teachers - *Include only teachers of grades K-8 whose salaries are paid by your congregation.*
- Members attending WELS ministerial education schools - *Members attending LPS (Watertown), MLS (Saginaw), MLC (New Ulm), or WLS (Mequon).*
- Area Lutheran high school associations - *Choose all ALHS associations of which your congregation is a member.*
- Average weekly adult/teen Bible class attendance - *These figures should be weekly attendance averages for all Bible classes, including Bible information classes. (If there is no separate teen class, include teens under "adult.")*

### Sunday School

Total number of children enrolled as of December 31:

Number of teachers conducting class on a typical Sunday:

### Vacation Bible School

Total number of children enrolled in VBS:

Number of teachers conducting class on a typical VBS day:

### Lutheran Elementary Schools

Male elementary teachers: ?

Female elementary teachers: ?

### Secondary Schools

Members attending WELS ministerial education schools: ?

Members attending WELS area Lutheran high schools:

### Area Lutheran high school associations ?

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### Bible Class

Average weekly adult Bible class attendance: ?

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Average weekly teen Bible class attendance: ?

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## OFFERINGS THAT SUPPORT THE MINISTRY OF THE GOSPEL

Instructions:

- Congregational offerings - **Include** all undesignated or designated offerings, bequests, and special gifts from members and non-members in support of the ministry carried out at the congregation level via your congregation's operations, restricted funds, capital projects, etc. **Exclude** the following:
  1. Gifts to WELS, WELS Foundation, or WELS-Canada\*, such as Congregation Mission Offerings and other gifts designated to certain funds (e.g. Walking Together, debt elimination) and ministries (e.g. World Missions) being carried out by the synod. This includes gifts to the four ministerial education schools—WLS, MLC, LPS, MLS. (Synod calculates these synod offering totals for your congregation and inserts them into the Statistical Report under the "CMO" and "Other" columns.)
  2. Gifts to parasynodical organizations.
  3. Non-gift income such as school tuition and fees; receipts from sale or rental of congregation-owned land, buildings, or other property; receipt from investments; subsidies from synod; rebates; and ticket sales.
- Additional offerings - Include gifts remitted by the congregation to parasynodical organizations (e.g. area Lutheran high school, Christian Life Resources, Kingdom Workers, etc.). Gifts made to the MLS Foundation should be included here.

\*Note for Canadian congregations, please enter totals for "Congregational offerings" and "Additional offerings" in Canadian dollars.

Congregational offerings: ?

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Additional offerings (to parasynodical organizations): ?

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## CAPITAL PROJECTS AND INDEBTEDNESS

Instructions:

- Total spent on capital projects during the past calendar year - Money spent on completing capital projects like new construction, purchase of real estate, church roof, heating systems, etc.
- Total capital indebtedness of congregation - Use total as of the close of 2014 . Do not include any operating deficit.

Total spent on capital projects during the past calendar year: ?

Total capital indebtedness of congregation: ?

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"Submit form" is not enabled until you have completed all of the required fields. After clicking this you will have the opportunity to print your form (keep in mind you will not be able to make any further changes).

Ref: Congregational Statistics Form