

DETROIT ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
2008 Profile of the Congregation
Due 10 Days Prior to Church Conference

Church _____ Pastor _____

To be completed by the committee on pastor-parish relations in consultation with the Church/Administrative Council and returned to the district office **at least 10 days before the church conference**

1. **Statement of purpose:** *If your congregation has a statement of purpose, vision or mission, insert it here.*

2. **Community description:** *Describe community (urban, rural, suburban, small town, etc.), general economic situation, and employment information of the area in which the congregation is located; identify school district.*

3. **Congregational core values:** *What are the three key words you would use to describe your church?*

4. Congregational description:

a. Worship	Worship Service 1	Worship Service 2	Worship Service 3
Day & time			
Average Attendance			
Worship Style			
Technology Used, if any			
b. Education & Nurture	Adult	Youth	Children
Church School Average Attendance			
Vacation Bible School – Avg. Attend.			
Other Study Groups – Avg. Attend.			

c. What outreach and mission opportunities are offered for your congregation and community?

d. Did you conduct a stewardship campaign this year? If so, what resource or approach did you use?

5. What leadership roles do the laity undertake in the ministry & mission of the church? How are they trained?

6. Ministry direction:
What are the most important decisions the congregation must make in the next two years?

What are the long range plans of the congregation and the time line for them?

7. Pastoral ministry needed: Describe what is needed from the pastor in each of the following areas in order to assist the congregation to fulfill its mission and goals. You may choose to star the three most important areas in the next year. **DO NOT DESCRIBE YOUR PRESENT PASTOR!** [Use page 3 for associate pastor, if any]

Worship leadership and preaching:

Administration:

Pastoral care:

Christian education:

Community involvement:

Leadership style:

Education and career experience:

Other:

8. Open itineracy: *In the United Methodist Church appointments are made without regard to race, ethnic origin, gender, marital status, age or disabilities. How is the PPRC preparing the congregation to genuinely embrace open itineracy? Are you willing, as a committee, to participate in a training experience regarding cross-racial/cross-cultural appointments?*

9. Paid staff: List the positions of paid staff serving your congregation and number of hours s/he serves each week

10. Statistical summary:

	membership	Total Average worship attendance	average church school attendance	Total church expenditures	percentage of apportionments paid
2008 to date					
2007					
2006					
2005					
2004					
2003					
2002					
2001					
2000					
1999					

pastor's signature _____ Date _____

PPRC chair's signature _____ Date _____

Church _____ Associate Pastor _____

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11. **Associate Pastoral ministry needed:** Describe what is needed from the associate pastor in each of the following areas in order to assist the congregation to fulfill its mission and goals. You may choose to star the three most important areas in the next year. Please attach job description, if available.

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Christian education:

Community involvement:

Leadership style:

Education and career experience:

Other:

Associate Pastor's signature _____ Date _____

PPRC chair's signature _____ Date _____