

2006 Statistical Reports Highlights



Church Report

Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy

Presbytery Membership

December 31, 2005	21,880
Gains in 2005	+ 1,285
Losses in 2005	- 1,764
December 31, 2006	21,409
Net Loss	(479)

Racial-Ethnic Membership

Asian	147
Black	725
Hispanic	19
Native American	4
Other	33
White	16,229
Not Reported	4,723

Growing Churches:

1. Dardenne +92 (1513)
2. Third, Moline Acres +60 (145)
3. John Knox +35 (397)
4. Ladue Chapel +28 (1590)
5. Webster Groves +24 (1274)
6. First Alton +23 (334)
7. New Hope +21 (330)
8. Bonhomme +13 (1582)
Hillside +13 (131)
9. First United, Belleville +11 (869)
10. Oak Hill +9 (150)
St. Charles +9 (561)
11. United, Granite City +8 (51)
12. Grace +7 (329)
Westminster, St. Louis +7 (90)
13. Westminster, Cape Girardeau +6 (112)
14. Bethalto +5 (63)
Steelville +5 (158)
15. First, Union +4 (86)
16. Argo +3 (52)
Salem, Alton +3 (46)
17. Elm Street, Alton +2 (104)
18. Farmington +1 (160)
First, Jackson +1 (211)
First, Perryville +1 (74)
Northminister +1 (120)
Patton +1 (21)

5.4% Racial Ethnic toward a goal
of 10% by 2010*

* Excludes those not reporting
(4.2% including those not reported
as presumed to be white).

Largest Churches in the Presbytery:

1. Ladue Chapel	1590
2. Bonhomme, Chesterfield	1582
3. Dardenne	1513
4. First, Kirkwood	1300
5. Webster Groves	1274
6. St. Mark, Ballwin	884
7. First United, Belleville	869
8. Southminister, Crestwood	624
9. St. Charles	561
10. Cote Brilliante, St. Louis	533

FAST FACTS:

- **27 churches had a net membership gain in 2006**
(compared to 22 in 2005, 28 in 2004, 27 in 2003; 18 in 2002; 25 in 2001; and 29 in 2000).
 - **The 10 largest churches make up 50% of the presbytery's membership (10,730).**
Six of the 10 largest churches grew in 2006.
Their memberships range from 533 to 1590.
 - **The 50 smallest churches represent 14% of the presbytery's membership (2,915).**
9 of the 50 smallest churches grew in 2006.
Their memberships range from 10 to 104.
 - **Of the 33 other churches, the membership ranges from 112 to 474;**
 - 17 have memberships between 112 and 200;
 - 6 have memberships between 200 and 300;
 - 8 have memberships between 300 and 400;
 - 2 have memberships of between 400 to 500;
 12 of these 33 churches had net membership gains in 2006.
These churches make up 36% of the presbytery's membership.
 - **There are 49 churches with fewer than 100 members. Within that number 21 churches have fewer than 50 members.**
 - **The median church membership was 95 in 2006. The mean church size was 230 (21 churches were larger than the mean.).**
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| | | | Ages of Presbyterians
in Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery | |
| • 68 Adults were baptized in our churches in 2006 | 25 & Under | = | 14% | |
| • 273 children were baptized in 2006 | 26-45 | = | 20% | |
| | 46-55 | = | 17% | |
| | 56-65 | = | 18% | |
| | 65 & Over | = | 32% | |
- **Total mission giving in 2006 was \$2,205,830 (11% of budgeted expenses for all churches).**
Our churches reported giving \$1,075,746 to local mission in 2006. They also gave \$294,785 to other missions, \$798,306 to validated missions & \$36,993 in support of theological education.
 - **Our sessions spent \$15,771,287 on church staff, administration & programming & \$6,912,605 on our buildings.**
 - **Our churches received \$17,540,005 in contributions and \$1,620,374 in investment income and raised \$2,632,706 for capital building funds. Generous Presbyterians left \$2,522,787 in bequests to our churches in 2006.**