



CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN OHIO

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A COVENANT NETWORK OF CONGREGATIONS

2016 Narrative Budget



A covenant network of congregations in mission:

We are the Body of Christ gifted and called in covenant together as Disciples of Christ to be centers of transformation on the new frontier of our own communities

Together We Make a Difference!

Projected Ministry Resources

Caring for Congregations—\$123,850

Our Regional Church enables congregations to do together things that cannot be done alone. We provide program services and consultation in areas such as problem solving, stewardship, conflict resolution, and planning for the future. We play a large role by participating in the celebrations of congregational life such as ordinations, anniversaries, dedications, installations, and retirements. We are essential leaders during the Search and Call process providing guidance and support to congregations in need of new pastors.

“Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” - Jesus



Caring for Ministers—\$100,350



Our Regional Church assures that pastoral care is given to ministers and their families, we give oversight to the relationship of ministers and congregations through continuing education and emergency assistance. We equip pastors with resources to maintain professional ethics, and guide them through the ministerial relocation process. The Ohio Commission on Ministry provides leadership and development to approximately 92 persons in their discernment of God's call to Christian Ministry.

Developing Leadership—\$128,018

Our Regional Church assists persons in identifying and strengthening their gifts for congregational transformation and evangelism toward the greater faithfulness to God by offering Seminars and Webinars. We offer a number of events and retreats for Spiritual Life Ministries, Ohio Disciples Women and Ohio Disciples Men, Advance Conference and Disciples Fellowship.



Changing Lives through Camp Christian—\$574,050



Each year Camp Christian touches hearts and inspires the lives of many. Since 2009, 71 youths who attended camp Christian for our Summer Program received a call to ministry. Camp Christian is a place where individuals are transformed by the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through ministry events, conferences, workshops and camp programs. In 2015 Camp Christian touched the lives of over 928 campers attending: Ribbit Camp, Otter, Chi Rho, CYF, Grandparent's Camp and Advance Ministries. We had over 154 give their time and service as volunteers with these camp programs.

Networking & Communications—\$52,215

Our Regional Church is intentional about building relationship through networking and communications. Clergy Alerts are sent via e-mail which provides essential information on the well being of pastors and urgent information on the State of the Region. Buckeye Bulletin and the Congregational Leaders Mailing is shared with church leaders quarterly, and the Buckeye Disciple is sent to every home three times a year. Our website offers a directory of our congregations, resource material for ministers and registration for upcoming events. We embrace the technical savvy generation by providing photos and informational updates through Facebook.

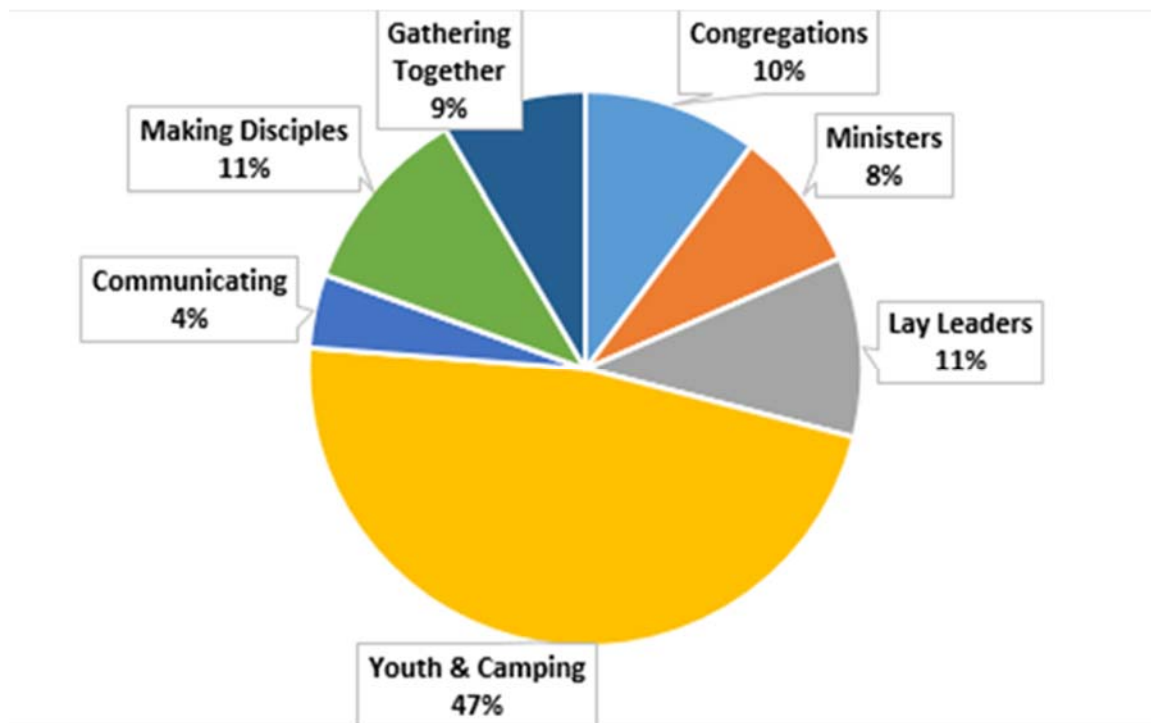
Making Disciples Through New Church—\$134,075

Our Regional Church provides support, guidance, and encouragement to 10 new congregations. As a Regional Church, we launched "New Wine Skins", a significant campaign in an effort to extend the evangelism ministry of the Christian Church in Ohio. Through extensive research, discernment and prayer we are launching congregations in areas where there is a need to reach people for Christ.



Gathering for Worship & Mission—\$102,445

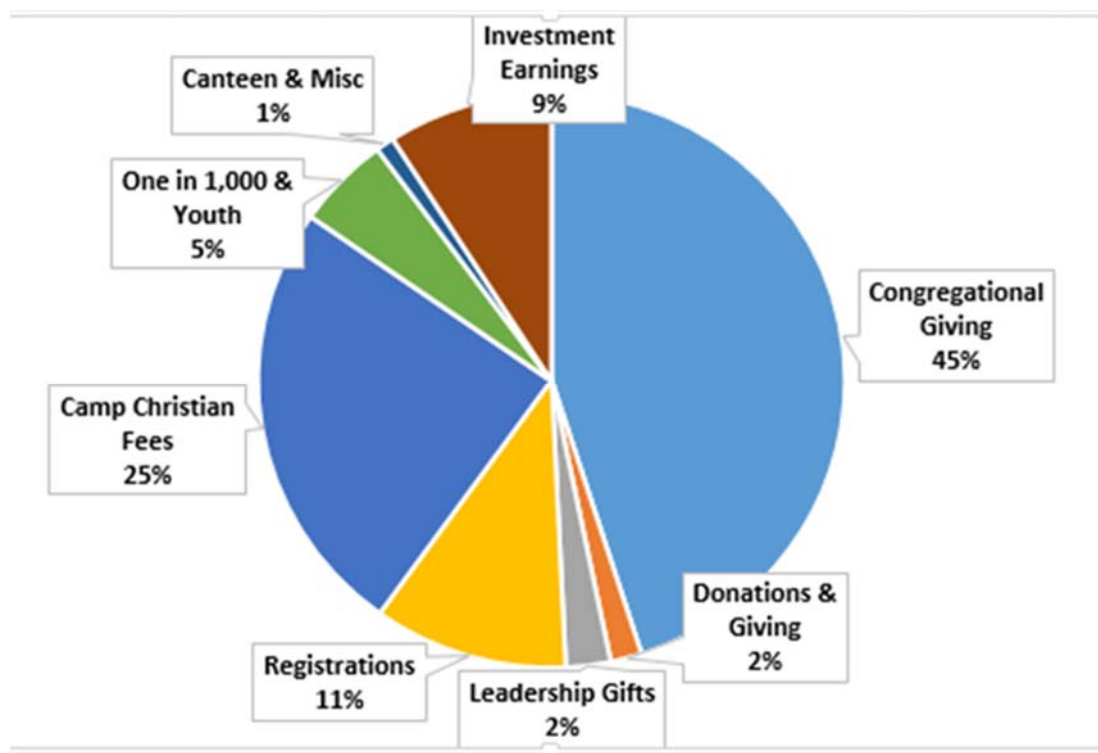
Working together with other ecumenical partners our Regional Church provides resources through the support of the Ohio Council of Churches. Every other year Ohio Disciples gather as a Regional Church at the Regional Assembly. Our Regional Church also provides assistance with District events, Missionary visits, and other opportunities for nurture and worship. Our Regional Church also participates in the wider ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and advocates and supports the priorities of the whole church.



Total Projected Expenses—\$1,215,003

Anticipated Income—\$1,218,125

Thanks to you and your ongoing support we anticipate an income of \$1,218,125. This comes from a number of avenues like; Disciples Mission Fund, Christmas Offering, Ohio Disciples Outreach, Investment Earnings, Annual Leadership Fund, New Wineskins Campaign for New Church, 1 in 1,000 Disciples Campaign for Camp Christian, Registration Fees and other sources. This amount has been budgeted in order to accomplish the mission God is calling us to do.



You can share in the mission that God...

...has given the Christian Church in Ohio. Currently, there is \$3,122.00 surplus between Projected Expenses and Anticipated Income. Regional Staff and Regional Ministry Leaders are working hard to be sure that expenses lined up with income. However, your congregation's contribution to Disciples Mission Fund, Ohio Disciple Outreach and donations made to campaigns such as the Annual Leadership Fund, New Wine Skins and 1 in 1,000, allows our Regional Church to continue to offer ministries which transforming lives through the gospel of Jesus Christ. Your generous support of the Christian Church in Ohio will continue to make all this possible.

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2 Corinthians 9:8,12

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work; This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.