

Title: Pentecost Offering Covenant Report

Origin: New Church Ministry, Church Extension

Background Information:

At the 2003 General Board meeting, the Pentecost Offering was designated for use by Regions and the General church to provide “direct” support for new congregations. Guidelines (see back) were adopted to assure these funds were distributed as “direct” support for the 2020 vision of establishing 1,000 new congregations. In those guidelines, New Church Ministry was given the task of gathering reports from regional partners and its own office to demonstrate that funds have been spent as mutually agreed.

Regional Ministers and New Church Ministry were requested to sign the following statement:

“I have reviewed the Pentecost Offering Guidelines and certify that our Region (or ministry) has distributed Pentecost Offering receipts as outlined by the General Board.”

The following units have signed this statement in 2007:

New Church Ministry, Church Extension

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| Alabama | Nebraska |
| Arizona | North Carolina |
| California, N-Nevada | Northeastern |
| Canada | Northwest |
| Capital Area | Ohio |
| Central Rocky Mountain | Oklahoma |
| Florida | Oregon |
| Georgia | Pacific Southwest |
| Great River | Pennsylvania |
| Idaho, South | South Carolina |
| Illinois and Wisconsin | Southwest |
| Indiana | Tennessee |
| Kansas City, Greater | Upper Midwest |
| Michigan | Virginia |
| Mid-America | West Virginia |
| Montana | |

Recommended Action:

That the General Board receive the Pentecost Offering Covenant Report.