

THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF COMMUNITY CHURCHES



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AN OPEN INVITATION

JOIN US...



OTHER CHURCHES AND MINISTRY CENTERS TO BE CONTACTED

The rolls of the International Council of Community Churches are open to all churches and ministry centers within the Christian tradition. We will be pleased to contact churches and clergy you know who may wish to explore membership in the Council.

Please list additional names on a separate page.

Contact Name: _____	Contact Name: _____
Church or Center _____	Church or Center _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
Phone: _____	Phone: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

On behalf of the _____ (church/center name) church/center I declare our agreement with the principles and purposes of the International Council of Community Churches. On _____ (date) our governing board voted to join the Council.

Official's signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Church/Center Website: _____

The following person is to be listed as our "Senior Clergy"

Please supply a list of other clergy to be listed in our rolls on a separate page. Please supply copies of ordination and educational documents for each.

We are enclosing financial support to the Council in the amount of \$ _____.

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Reconciling the broken and dividing lines among us into the larger circle of the human family...

Intentional involvement in ecumenical and interfaith dialogue prayer, and action in local, national and international arenas...

Sharing God's love in ministries of service among the "least of these."

"that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me."

-John 17:21

BECOMING A MEMBER

You can accept this invitation...

1)...by having either the total membership of or a governing body of your church or center endorse the principles contained in our constitution. The endorsement could be voted as a resolution stating something like...

Whereas the _____ Church is committed to the ministry of reconciliation in church and society, and believes in congregational autonomy, freedom of conscience, and the conciliar ideal: We vote to join the International Council of Community Churches on this date of _____.

2) by completing and returning the form found on the opposite page, and

3) by agreeing to participate in the Council, seeking to meet the standard of sending one or more representatives to the Council's Annual Conference and to participate in regional or area meetings.

4) by giving financial support to the Council to meet the standard of giving each year at least \$1,000.00 U.S. dollars.

WHAT YOU GET:

Belonging to a warm fellowship of the beloved community, the body of Christ...

An exciting annual conference with Bible study, a diversity of worship and music, workshops, hands on mission and fellowship...

Association with the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; the World Council of Churches; Churches Uniting In Christ; and Christian Churches Together.

Program resources for your congregation.

Access to pension and benefits for church staff, clergy and lay...

The Christian Community throughout the year and The Inclusive Pulpit, sermons and resources for ministry...

Regional fellowship in clusters of member churches and centers...

A claim upon the unity that God has already given us in Christ and a participation in the reconciling work of the gospel.

One complimentary Annual Conference registration for a delegate from your church/center for the upcoming Annual Conference.

Advancing love of God and humanity; diversity and inclusiveness; ecumenical and interfaith life and work.