Dear Friends,

We have now gathered once again as Northwest Conference delegates and leaders to conduct the business of the Church. And while there are certainly “business-like” things to address, we know that our time together goes far beyond budgets and ballots. After all, we have the privilege to be about the work of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We have the joy of worshiping Him and having fellowship with one another. We receive the encouragement of hearing a good word about some of the things that God is doing in and through us in the lives of our congregations and among those beyond the walls of our churches.

With these things in mind, I welcome you to our 2019 NWC Annual Meeting at Hope Covenant Church in Grand Forks, ND. It is appropriate that we are gathered in this place for this year’s theme, “Sharing Our Hope: Raising the Temperature on Evangelism.” This is particularly true because Hope is a church that “walks its talk,” having introduced scores of people to Jesus through its life and mission.

Way to go, Hope Church! Keep it up! May the example of this church and the focus of our time together serve as inspiration as we leave this place and return to our respective places of Christian service.

As in previous years, we are pleased to have a number of special guests with us. Among them include Michelle Sanchez, the ECC Executive Minister of Make & Deepen Disciples.

Moreover, Tim Ciccone, the ECC Director of Youth Ministry is with us once again, as both he and Michelle will have participated in an EMBRACE Workshop for our pastors at the beginning of the Ministerial Association Meetings earlier in the week. Theresa Marks, ECC Director of Pastoral Care for Ordered Ministry, will also be participating in the EMBRACE Workshop. Welcome to these and others who are joining us from Covenant offices in Chicago!

Beyond our business sessions, we will experience a wonderful time of worship on Friday evening during which we will celebrate the beginning of new church fellowship groups and participate in the presentation of our BLESS prayer cards.

We will also be receiving a special offering to bless Hope Church and its Community Care Center & Food Pantry, which opened this past December and is making a real difference in the city of Grand Forks. We believe that this is a worthy project in light of both our theme and the location of our 2019 meeting.

Our schedule on Saturday morning will also include the opportunity to hear stories from churches within our own region that have taken steps of faith to share Jesus with those who do not know Him. It is our hope that as we hear from some of our sister congregations, we will begin to think more creatively about ways that we can share the gospel with those who are near to our own faith communities.

Again, welcome and may God use our time together for His glory.

Mark R. Stromberg, Superintendent

“With the privilege to be about the work of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.”

The Northwest Conference is a mission region of the Evangelical Covenant Church. It is comprised of roughly 140 churches in MN, ND, SD, western WI and northern IA. These churches come in all shapes and sizes. They are urban, ethnic, town & country and suburban.

Beyond local churches, the ministry of the NWC is also bolstered by a number of affiliate ministries including five Bible Camps. Minnehaha Academy—a Pre-K through 12th grade school on two campuses in Minneapolis—is also a direct ministry of the NWC. Its mission is to integrate Christian faith and learning.
In his article, “What’s Dragging You Down?” Mike Bonem introduces the concept of drag coefficient and how that relates to the Church. According to Wikipedia, the term “drag coefficient” is “used to quantify the drag or resistance of an object in a fluid environment, such as air or water.”

Practically speaking, it’s the calculation engineers use to improve aerodynamics of vehicles or airplanes. Reducing the drag improves fuel economy and allows them to travel faster.

With the introduction of this concept, Bonem then raises the following question: “What if we could calculate the drag coefficient for a church or ministry?” The “drag” would be anything that slows our progress toward fulfilling the mission, or causes us to waste valuable resources.

So stop for just a second and think about your church’s drag coefficient. What’s dragging you down as a church that if identified and addressed would establish greater health and fruitfulness within your current mission?

And as you think about answering this question, know that we would count it a privilege to walk with you in your process. Because as we partner with churches of our Conference we continue to see how the Congregational Vitality Pathway, resources and process are helping churches become healthier and more missional.

For the cause of Christ and His Church!
Jon Kramka, Director of Congregational Vitality

VITALITY HIGHLIGHTS

What are we seeing?
When congregations intentionally establish …

- **Mission-Vision Clarity** where the whole church aligns with a shared sense of purpose;
- **A Culture of Godly Leadership** whereby Godly character, competence and conviction are being developed/displayed by leaders;
- **A Connection/Formation Process** that establishes belonging and a pathway toward becoming fully-devoted followers of Christ;
- **Broader Community Connections and Engagement** where congregants are sent as ambassadors of Jesus into their neighborhoods;
- **Fruitful Organizational Structures** where systems and decision making are Holy Spirit led and centered on mission;

… we see congregations with increased health and bearing greater Kingdom results.

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**BETHEL COVENANT CHURCH, ELLSWORTH, WI**
“Guided by the Spirit and utilizing the vitality resources of the NWC, our church culture has changed, leading to a new ministry season at Bethel.

“We have seen our decision-making processes move away from fearing tomorrow to having hope in what God can do. Our leaders no longer busy themselves with ‘putting out fires,’ but instead are dreaming big about God’s plans for our future.

“When we disagree, we find ways to move forward together, forgiving one another, thinking the best of each other. When people now come to visit Bethel they describe a very different church than five years ago.

“We are seeing new ministries, new people and new energy bearing fruit in ways we could have never imagined. Praise God!” – Todd Spieker, Pastor

**BROOKDALE COVENANT CHURCH, BROOKLYN CENTER, MN**
“The NWC has been very encouraging to me personally in the work of revitalization, which is costly, sometimes, frustrating, but very worthwhile because it is God’s church, his Bride, that we serve.” – Hollis Kim, Transition Pastor

**CROSSROADS COVENANT CHURCH, FOREST LAKE, MN**
“I invited the NWC to lead us through a mission/visioning process. That was one of the smartest things I’ve done in a long time. With knowledge, experience and a pastor’s heart, Jon Kramka facilitated a process of discovering the mission and vision that God has for our church. We now have a clearer picture of our future.” – Brad Friedlein, Pastor

**REDEEMER COVENANT CHURCH, BROOKLYN PARK, MN**
“As our congregation launched a ministry planning process in 2018, it’s been so helpful to have access to the voices, insights and experience of the NWC staff. They’ve provided valuable perspective, objectivity, creative suggestions and wise cautions throughout our process.” – Ben Pease, Pastor

**UNITED COVENANT CHURCH, CLEAR LAKE, WI**
“I have been very blessed and encouraged through the NWC’s Congregational Vitality ministry. I really appreciate the practical inputs I have received and the support provided through our pastors cohort each time we meet. It is like wind in my sails.” – Dan Pearson, Pastor

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A fresh reminder of God’s faithfulness

Pastor Michele Arndt is planting The Crossing Covenant Church in Houlton, WI. Pastors JD and Christian Ann Larson are co-pastoring and planting North City Covenant Church in Minneapolis. God is good! He is raising up gifted leaders with a passion for reaching new neighborhoods, communities and cities, all across our Conference, that we would reach no other way.

Our newest churches are getting off to a great start with strong, healthy support churches—both Covenant and non-Covenant, each coming alongside to provide prayer, people, funding and other tangible support.

Someone famously said the true measure of a church isn’t its seating capacity, but its sending capacity. Multiplying missional outposts with strong evangelistic passion and a clear discipleship strategy is resulting in so many changed eternities, tangible needs being met and so much more. And it’s churches like yours that are stepping up and saying yes to God and providing the resources to make this possible. I firmly believe that nothing will move a church toward greater health and vitality more quickly than getting involved in the planting of a new church.

The impact of your love for God, your passion for seeing lost people come to know Jesus and your generosity are resulting in story after story of individual and family destinies forever changed. Thanks again for your willingness to say yes to Jesus, step out in faith, and be a partner in bringing to life these new churches in the NWC.

By His Grace and For His Glory.
Mike Brown, Director of Church Planting
### LAST CITY
- **Location:** St. Paul, MN
- **Pastor:** Noah Hormann
- **Date Started:** June 2009
- **Attendance:** 65
- **Appropriations:** $3,334

### NORTH CITY
- **Location:** Minneapolis, MN
- **Planter:** JD/ChristianAnn Larson
- **Date Started:** October 2017
- **Attendance:** Residency
- **Appropriations:** $16,775

### SEEDS
- **Location:** Minneapolis, MN
- **Planter:** Dale Durie
- **Date Started:** September 2015
- **Attendance:** 27
- **Appropriations:** $21,600

### THE STORY
- **Location:** Minneapolis, MN
- **Planter:** Matt Anderson
- **Date Started:** September 2015
- **Attendance:** Closed
- **Appropriations:** $11,200

### LIGHTHOUSE
- **Location:** Minneapolis, MN
- **Planter:** Dee McIntosh
- **Date Started:** July 2016
- **Attendance:** 60
- **Appropriations:** $39,600

### MIDCURRENT
- **Location:** Hudson, WI
- **Planter:** Sten Carlson
- **Date Started:** May 2017
- **Attendance:** 150
- **Appropriations:** $45,600

### THE STORY
- **Location:** Minneapolis, MN
- **Planter:** Matt Anderson
- **Date Started:** September 2015
- **Attendance:** Closed
- **Appropriations:** $11,200

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**Prioritizing ministry with children**

Children & Family Ministry in the Northwest Conference has three priorities that have guided our ministry for the last seven years:

1. **Networking and connections** – We’ve found most problems can be solved when people gather around a table together in relationship. This is why we place so much value on helping leaders know that they are not alone in ministry.

2. **Personal and professional development** – We educate and advocate for those called to pursue credentialing and offer ongoing support for pursuing health in ministry.

3. **Resource identification and promotion** – Our office compiles ministry resources that are available to ministry leaders.

“Parents expect adults who work with their children to be trained and screened ...”

One of our ongoing efforts is child safety and protection. Parents expect adults who work with their children to be trained and screened—the safety of our kids demands it.

Background checks are an important step to weeding out obvious predators and are one part of a robust screening process. This, along with abuse prevention training and careful oversight, are the critical steps that contribute toward a comprehensive safety system for our kids and vulnerable populations.

If your church already has a safety system in place, great. If you’d like to talk about how to get started, we would love to help. The Northwest Conference is proud to offer free sexual abuse prevention training at no cost to two leaders from every NWC church through Ministry Safe. To sign up, please contact me.

Finally, know that the vast majority of adults desire children to be healthy and safe. Unfortunately, our culture believes churches are willing to sweep abuse accusations under the rug. Let’s change the narrative and let the Church lead the way in making sure the next generations can hear the good news of Jesus in a loving and safe environment.

*Kara Stromberg, Director of Children & Family Ministry*
2018 saw NWC high school students unite to follow Christ, middle school students learn what it means to trust Jesus and youth ministry leaders be better equipped for ministry.

In July, 1,114 students and leaders from 69 NWC churches attended CHIC 2018: Unite. Students creatively engaged with Covenant priorities like Serve Globally, challenged themselves to run a 5k for fresh water around the world, or faced their fears while white water rafting. In the evening, 5,000 people would gather to worship together. One of the most powerful moments at CHIC occurred on Tuesday night when students and leaders alike participated in communion. Those who were sensing a call to ministry or missions had the chance to be anointed with oil. The long line of both teenagers and adult volunteers who were waiting to be anointed was awe-inducing.

Shortly after the high schoolers returned from CHIC, the NWC middle schoolers headed to MUUUCE (Most Unbelievable Ultimate Urban Camping Experience). Crossroads Church in Woodbury, MN, hosted 644 middle schoolers and their leaders for three days of learning to trust Jesus in the midst of having a lot of middle school fun.

Besides these two big events, a small, select group of students headed to the BWCA in June for Adventures in Leadership. This one-week guided leadership experience does an incredible job of developing young leaders.

Our youth pastors strive hard to make and deepen adolescent disciples. We support each other in these efforts by meeting regularly at our Youth Pastor Connections. In 2019, the plan is to take these Connections to the next level by launching several coaching cohorts. These focused cohorts are designed to help youth pastors grow in their leadership abilities, youth ministry skills and their walk with Christ.

I anticipate 2019 to be even more remarkable than 2018 when it comes to youth ministry in the NWC. It is a delight to partner with so many wonderful churches and youth pastors.

Serving with joy, Ginny Olson, Director of Youth Ministry
Encouraging the health of our pastors

The number of pastoral transitions continues to be very high compared to historic levels. Such circumstances have led to the development and use of resources to meet these unique times.

A new resource that we utilized this past year was a three-day retreat for pastors in their first lead pastor or solo pastor role. We had seven pastors walk through that experience, and given the ongoing transition in local church leadership, it is likely we will take another group of seven or more pastors through this same retreat in the coming year.

The retreat is followed by a year of reading on topics introduced at the retreat, and then gathering monthly in another group of seven or more pastors through this same retreat in the coming year.

The fact that these two areas are strong is something to celebrate. I am most impressed by the Self-integrity measure being high, because identity and role clarification are very difficult to keep straight in this complex role.

Everyday Happiness is moderate but with a wide variability of responses. There is still work to do in good self care. The increasing stress of the role and the culture it is lived out in make attention to physical, emotional and spiritual health critical.

Speaking of stress, our lowest score was Resilience. We are in greater danger of burnout. This is not necessarily related to working unreasonable schedules, as much as it is inadequate recovery from stressful situations. We move on to the next stressful thing, but we didn’t fully recover from the last stressful thing.

We will be working with other conference staff around the Covenant and with Develop Leaders/Ordered Ministry to use this information to encourage the health of our pastors.

Jeff Burton, Director of Pastoral Care & Development

Time and tide waits for none of us

As we have now arrived at our 2019 NWC Annual Meeting, I will look forward to sharing with you a number of things relative to NWC work and ministry during my verbal report. However, please bear with me as I use the page allotted to me to share some of my random musings looking back and looking forward:

“We have but a brief time to seek to make a difference for the Kingdom of God.”

1. It hard to believe that I have now been serving on the staff of the NWC for over 18 years. Where did the time go? WOW!
2. When I see the students who will be graduating from Minnehaha Academy next month, it dawns on me that most of them were not even born prior to my arrival at the NWC office. OUCH!
3. Some of our NWC pastors were in elementary school when I was called to serve the NWC.UGH!
4. Back to Minnehaha … when I look across the street at MA, I realize that the entire structure that had been the school facility when I was a student has now been completely erased from the property, as if it never existed. YIKES!
5. I have participated in pastoral installation services in some of our churches 3-4 times. UFTA!
6. Many of the historic leaders within the ECC and NWC are no longer with us, including three former beloved superintendents, Carl Janson, Stan Henderson and Paul Erickson. SIGH!
7. It is also difficult to believe that I have already served two terms as NWC Superintendent and am now up for a possible third term. HMM …

I ponder how these things can be true—but they are, and so much more. And it serves as a reminder to me that time and tide waits for none of us. We have but a brief time to seek to make a difference for the Kingdom of God. It is also a sober reminder that whatever contribution we make will probably be limited and not nearly as significant as we would all desire.

Please know that, as NWC Superintendent, I have taken my call seriously. I have felt both the joy and the burden of it. I have experienced both words of encouragement and those that are malicious. I have seen both churches and pastors at their best, and at their worst. I have been given too much credit for things that is not mine to receive. I have also been called upon to bear the brunt of burdens that were really not mine to bear.

Yet, in the midst of it all, I have believed that I was called to this role to assume this responsibility at this particular point in time. Moreover, I believe that circumstances in the life of our denomination, conference, school and camps have confirmed this.

These things also compel me to be open to continue to serve in this role for a season, but only if that is the will of the Church. I am neither entitled to the Superintendent office, nor owed anything. If I continue, it is by God’s grace and your discernment. May His Will be done. To God alone be the glory!

Mark R. Stromberg, Superintendent
Finance

As Director of Finance, I continue to resource and coach local church leaders in stewarding God’s resources in the local congregation. I field questions about clergy compensation, online giving platforms, restricted fund accounting, donation deductibility, appropriate expense reimbursements, employee benefits and even some nitty gritty QuickBooks technical questions. I enjoy interacting with servants who invest so generously—often with little recognition.

The Northwest Conference partnered with Lakeview Covenant Church (Duluth, MN) in the Fall of 2018 and Linwood Covenant Church (Wyoming, MN) in March 2019 to host Financial Training workshops sponsored by National Covenant Properties. I was invited to present a couple of modules at these events. Participants learned fraud risk assessment and prevention skills, why financial statements matter, aligning budgets with ministry plans and much more. I am thankful for the individuals who sacrificed a Saturday, and in some cases, traveled a significant distance to participate. We offer this training again at Alexandria Covenant Church (Alexandria, MN) Fall 2019.

Specific accounting tasks continue for our church plants. I provide six months of accounting services to churches coming to fruition under the 50 by ’25 Church Planting initiative.

Sandy Norris, Director of Finance

Latino Ministry

As Coordinator of Latino Ministry, my primary goal is to plant new churches that effectively minister to the Spanish speaking community in our region. Currently, we have five Latino-ethnic churches in the NWC reaching out to hundreds of Latinos. However, the most important number is not how many are currently “being reached,” but rather how many are “yet to be reached.” Around 276,000 Hispanics reside in Minnesota, making it the 28th largest Hispanic population in the nation. Statistics show that the vast majority are not affiliated with any Christian group or denomination, hence our urgency to send more “workers to be reached.”

Last year, for the first time in the history of ECC, we celebrated our first bilingual church plant sent out from another bilingual ECC church plant! This is only the beginning. We already have more Latino churches preparing to launch. Preparing the next generation of Latino leaders is essential to accomplishing our task. Last year we changed the structure and implementation of CHET NWC, shifting from a central approach to a multisite and multiplying model. Now we have two locations (Brooklyn Park and Minneapolis) that are serving 40+ students from different congregations. The Northwest Conference continues to look for the best ways to support and resource the growing Spanish-speaking population in our region. We are committed to equipping Latinos and Latinas for pastoral and lay ministry, evangelism and discipleship, church planting and community transformation. Thank you for your ongoing support as we minister to these communities that God has placed in our midst!

Mauricio Dell’Arciprete, Coordinator of Latino Ministry

Communications

While 2018 was largely a year of maintenance and assessment, our staff began to dream about and lay the groundwork for some major changes in our communication efforts.

Throughout the year, I continued to coordinate and produce stories for our website, print newsletters and regular email communications, as well as support MUUUCE, MOVE, Go:Serve, CHIC, Adventures in Leadership and a variety of smaller regional events through design and branding for promotional materials on our website and in print.

One of the communication vehicles we have historically used to “get the word out” was our triannual newsletter called IMPRINTS. As we assessed the effectiveness of IMPRINTS in reaching those in local congregations and affiliate ministries, we concluded that there are approaches to communication that will be more effective, as well as more efficient in reaching our intended audiences in the future.

The Fall 2018 issue of IMPRINTS was the last to come out in print. In its place, we will be taking steps to ensure our website is a place where our NWC churches and participants can go to be better resourced and supported. We will also continue to produce regular email newsletters, as well as increase our efforts to utilize our social media channels. Stay tuned!

Bryan Malley, Director of Communications

Administration

CREDENTIALING: Our Committee on Ministerial Standing (COMS) interviewed nine ordination candidates, 21 ministerial license candidates and 12 individuals requiring a credentialing update in 2018. I provide the administrative support for this process and enjoy working with the credentialing candidates, the COMS and the Ordered Ministry.

ECC ANNUAL MEETING: We recruited volunteers and provided behind-the-scenes support for Gather (the Covenant Annual Meeting) in Minneapolis in June. I was given the honor of vesting stoles on those being granted permanent credentials during the Service of Ordination and Commissioning.

CHIC: The NWC worked with Richfield Bus Company to provide bus transportation to CHIC. A total of 943 riders from 63 churches boarded 18 buses at 19 bus stop locations.

SECOND MILER: Second Milers have furthered the ministry of Conference churches and ministries by providing financial support for specific ministry projects since 1959. There have been 401 appeals resulting in grants totaling more than $500,000. As giving patterns and funding methods have changed, it seems Second Miler’s effectiveness has waned. The fourth quarter appeal (#401) was the final appeal. We are thankful for the faithful giving of many for so many years.

Cheryl Theilen, Director of Administration
This campaign—the largest in the school’s history—will provide the resources required to complete the Upper School, build a new Middle School at 3100 West River Parkway, renovate the Lower School to accommodate the high demand for enrollment at those grade levels and grow the school’s endowment. Our immediate goal is to raise the first $30 million by Aug. 1, 2019, which will allow our students to return to Minnehaha’s home campus for the beginning of the 2019 academic year and build the Middle School campus, enabling growth. I am delighted to report that we are well on our way to reaching this first milestone with generous gifts and pledges totaling more than $13 million as of March 1.

We ask for your continued prayers and support during this critical time in the school’s history. To learn more about the Together We Rise Campaign and see the progress of the rebuild in action, visit www.twrcampaign.com.

We see the light that shines in each child. Our calling is to cultivate curiosity and build confidence in each child so his or her light can shine bright in the world. We are a welcoming community that values faith, academics and personal passions. We encourage students to explore their God-given gifts and talents as we support their development to become next-generation thought leaders and change makers.

President Dr. Donna Harris notes, “The foundation of the work we do as a Christian school is tightly anchored to the greatest story ever told, God’s book, the Bible. The Good News of this magnificent book has the power to stir and transform us just like the pages of a well-loved and worn children’s book. When we are drawn into the redemptive story of God’s purpose, His plan, His promises, His love and grace, we are forever changed.... We pray that our students will grow in character and leave enduring legacies of honor as they embrace their place in God’s epic story of stories.”

TOGETHER WE RISE—TRAGEDY AND TRANSFORMATION

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Families of NWC churches are eligible to receive 100 percent of demonstrated financial need.

MA is excited to continue our scholarship program for up to three students in grades K-12 (depending on space availability) from each NWC church. For more details or to apply, please call 612-728-7776 or email admission@MinnehahaAcademy.net
2018/19 NWC BUDGET
INCOME: $1,356,329
EXPENSE: $1,625,356

2018/19 INCOME Notes:
Individual Contributions: Includes designated and undesignated contributions to the NWC.
Appropriations: Money the NWC receives from the ECC for Church Planting. The NWC and ECC invest equally in all new church plants.
Draw on Available Funds: 71.18 NWC Cash Reserve Balances: $192,245 designated Children, Youth & Family; $191,580 designated Congregational Vitality; $723,226 designated Church Planting; $778,508 Unrestricted/Discretionary; $1,885,558 total reserves. Some of these funds are readily available, while some are in dedicated Trust Accounts with Covenant Trust Company and can only be withdrawn at a rate of 5% per year.

2018/19 EXPENSE Notes:
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Gap between income + expense ($269,027) intentional draw on reserves

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SPECIAL GIFTS GIVEN
Second Miler - 2018
• Harris Covenant Church, Harris, MN - $1,693.20
• Lakes Place, Lino Lakes, MN - $1,795.87
• First Covenant Church, Virginia, MN - $2,442.87
• Genesis East Covenant Church, White Bear Lake, MN - $1,905.60

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The Mission of the Northwest Conference is to engage, empower, and equip healthy missional leaders, as we believe that this is an essential component in growing healthy missional churches.
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Alexandria Covenant, Alexandria
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Evangelical Covenant, Anoka
Restoration Covenant, Apple Valley
Evangelical Covenant, Baudette
Evangelical Covenant, Bemidji
Evangelical Covenant, Big Falls
Svea Hill Community Covenant, Big Lake
Evangelical Covenant, Blaine
The Door Covenant, Blaine
Bloomington Covenant, Bloomington
Evangelical Covenant, Braham
Blue Oaks Covenant, Brooklyn Center
Brookdale Covenant, Brooklyn Center
Laotian Covenant, Brooklyn Center
La Bendicion Covenant, Brooklyn Park
Redeemer Covenant, Brooklyn Park
Buffalo Covenant, Buffalo
Faith Covenant, Burnsville
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Eden Community Covenant, Coon Rapids
Grace Outreach, Coon Rapids
Harvest Covenant, Crookston
Evangelical Covenant, Dassel
Lake Jennie Covenant, Dassel
Dawson Covenant, Dawson
First Covenant, Duluth
Lakeview Covenant, Duluth
Salen Covenant, Duluth
Merry Commons Covenant, Edina
New City Covenant, Edina
Calvary Covenant, Evansville
Excelsior Covenant, Excelsior
Fairmont Evangelical Covenant, Fairmont
Maywood Covenant, Foley
Crossroads Evangelical Covenant, Forest Lake
Fridley Covenant, Fridley
Iglesia Unidad, Fridley
Riverwood Covenant, Greenfield
Harris Covenant, Harris
Palmyra Covenant, Hector
Gethsemane Covenant, Hermantown
Community Covenant, Huntley
Oak Heights Covenant, Hutchinson
Evangelical Covenant, International Falls
Evangelical Mission Covenant, Kennedy
Kensington Covenant, Kensington
Community Covenant, Lake Bronson
Lancaster Covenant, Lancaster
Rice Creek Covenant, Lino Lakes
Grace Covenant, Little Falls
Lowry Community Covenant, Lowry
Mahtowa Covenant, Mahtowa
Maple Grove Covenant, Maple Grove
Abbay Way Covenant, Minneapolis
Bethlehem Covenant, Minneapolis
City of Lakes Covenant, Minneapolis
Community Covenant, Minneapolis
Crosstown Covenant, Minneapolis
Destino Covenant, Minneapolis
Epiphany Covenant, Minneapolis
First Covenant, Minneapolis
Light House Covenant, Minneapolis
Seeds Covenant, Minneapolis
The Sanctuary Covenant, Minneapolis
Verbo en Accion Covenant, Minneapolis
Monticello Covenant, Monticello
Evangelical Covenant, Moose Lake
Fairview Covenant, Mound
MainStreet Covenant, Mound
Salem Covenant, New Brighton
Evangelical Covenant, New London
Vista Evangelical Covenant, New Richland
Crossview Covenant, North Mankato
Calvary Covenant, Northome
Lewis Lake Covenant, Ogilvie
Christ Community Covenant, Owatonna
Salem Covenant, Pennock
Plymouth Covenant, Plymouth
Karmel Evangelical Covenant, Princeton
First Covenant, Red Wing
Genesis Covenant, Robbinsdale
New Day Covenant, Rochester
RocheSTER Covenant, Rochester
Salem Road Covenant, Rochester
Nueva vida Covenant, Rogers
Evangelical Covenant, Roseau
Roseville Covenant, Roseville
Evangelical Covenant, Rush City
New Life Covenant, Saginaw
Emmanuel Covenant, Shoreview
Lake Union Covenant, South Haven
Hope Covenant, St. Cloud
Awaken Covenant, St. Paul
Catalyst Covenant, St. Paul
First Covenant, St. Paul
Last City, St. Paul
Roots Covenant, St. Paul
Thomastown Covenant, Staples
Bethany Covenant, Stillwater
Evangelical Covenant, Thief River Falls
Evangelical Covenant, Trimont
Community Covenant, Upsala
Viking Covenant, Viking
First Covenant, Virginia
Evangelical Covenant, Warren
Real Life Covenant, Waseca
Oster First Covenant, Waverly
Bethlehem Covenant, Wheaton
Genesis East Covenant, White Bear Lake
First Covenant, Willmar
Winnthrop Evangelical Covenant, Winnthrop
Crossroads, Woodbury/Cottage Grove/Eagan/Hastings
First Covenant, Worthington
Linwood Covenant, Wyoming

NORTH DAKOTA
Teien Covenant, Drayton
Grace Covenant, Fargo
Hope Covenant, Grand Forks

SOUTH DAKOTA
Komstad Covenant, Beresford
Living Springs Covenant, Brandon
Swedena Evangelical Covenant, Brandon
CountrySide Covenant, LaBolt
Evangelical Covenant, Lake Norden
Prairie Hills Covenant, Sioux Falls
South Sudan Covenant, Sioux Falls

WISCONSIN
Prairie Lake Covenant, Chetek
United Covenant, Clear Lake
Renew Covenant, Eau Claire
Bethel Covenant, Ellsworth
Zion Covenant, Ellsworth
Calvary Evangelical Covenant, Grantsburg
Midcurrent Covenant, Hudson
Cedarbrook, Menomonie
Prince of Peace Covenant, Mondovi
Prairieview Covenant, New Richmond
Mission Covenant, Poplar
First Covenant, River Falls
Siren Covenant, Siren
Calvary Covenant, Stockholm
Lund Mission Covenant, Stockholm
First Covenant, Superior