

To be completed by the Staff-Parish Relations Committee (or equivalent body) every 3 years or as needed.	<b>LOCAL CHURCH - LONG TERM INFORMATION</b>	<b>LCPL</b>
CHURCH	TOWN <i>or</i> CITY	
CHARGE*	DISTRICT:	YEAR
Please submit one copy to the district superintendent <u>two weeks prior</u> to your SPRC meeting with the DS. Retain a copy for the local church file.		
Please complete this form electronically – You may sign a copy at the time of your DS consultation. If you need more space, it is available on the last page.		

### 1. Brief history of the congregation

(Founding date, original denomination, mergers and/or splits, time of greatest membership and/or strength, time of greatest problems, etc. **We are more interested in mission and ministry than buildings.**)

### 2. Community profile

2a. **Describe the community around your charge--use Mission Insite\* data available at [www.missioninsite.com](http://www.missioninsite.com)** . The purpose is for you to understand who lives nearby; who needs to hear the good news of Jesus Christ; and to reflect on how closely your church demographics align with your community demographics. **Please do not attach the entire report, but reflect on what is meaningful.**

\*Go to Client Center-top right corner. Pastors: to register, please follow the directions and use the East Ohio Agency ID# **A54VG** to get started. Contact the conference office of Congregational Vitality for help.

Population (Two mile radius):

Projected Growth/Decline:

Ethnic percentages:

Mosaic Groups:

2b. **Mark what most closely describes your community:**

urban            suburban            small town            rural—farming            rural—industry  
other:                    Do you think the community is:            stable?            transitioning?

2c. **Business/Industry Information:** (Not found in Mission Insite.)

Either do some internet research or share what members know.)

2d. **School System Information:** (Not found in Mission Insite.)

Look at local school district(s)'s website or the Ohio Dept. of Education's school report card.

2e. **Other Community Information that relates to Mission & Ministry:**

**3. Church building(s)** (Age, size, additions, renovations, features, etc.)

3a. **How much parking is available?** List any concerns

3b. **Is your church handicap accessible?** YES NO

3c. **Want kind of Audio Visual equipment/projector/screen do you have?** (list details)

3d. **Is there WiFi?** YES NO

**4. Is there a Parsonage** YES NO Be sure to attach a copy of the latest inspection to omnibus.  
Give a brief summary here: location, distance from church/schools, # Beds/Baths, age/updates.

**5. Attitudes:** (Check one in each category)

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|---------------------------------------|--------|---|---|---|---|------------|
| 5a. Openness to change                | (Open) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 (Closed) |
| 5b. Level of relation to denomination | (High) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 (Low)    |
| 5c. Concern for contemporary issues   | (Much) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 (Little) |

**6. Church Program**

6a. **Small Groups** (meeting times, number of groups, focus):

6b. **Church School** (Size, number of classes, material used):

6c. **Functioning Programs:** (Select & comment on each functioning group)

UMW UMM UMYF/ Youth Group Other

6d. **Governance Structure** (Church or Administrative Council; or Admin. Board and Council on Ministries; or a Single Board Model; required rotation of leaders; etc.)

7. **Mission Program** (Describe record of support for):

7a. World Service and Conference Benevolence:

7b. General Advance:

7c. Direct United Methodist missionary support:

7d. Other missionary enterprises:

7e. Mission emphasis or mission education events

7f. Community engagement or local transformational programs:

8. **Stewardship and Finance Program**

8a. Is there an annual budget?    YES        NO

8b. Stewardship campaign?        YES        NO    What Kind?

Year started?                      When does it end?

Purpose/Goal?

8c. Percentage of families who pledge?                      %

8d. Kind(s) of budget(s) Check the appropriate items and give detail as appropriate or helpful:

Unified Budget        Current Expense        Building Fund        Missions

Other

8e. Endowment        YES        NO    How Much?

How is income used?

Other Financial Information

**9. Sending people into service:**

11a. Lay persons who hold Community, District or Conference positions:

11b. Members who have gone into full time Christian service:

This record should be reviewed annually by the Staff-Parish Relations Committee or equivalent. If it is still a realistic portrayal of your church, it should be signed and dated by the Chairperson. If not, a new and more accurate profile should be completed and sent to the district office. **You may sign a copy of this form at the time of your consultation with your DS.**

Church Name

Signed

Date

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**Further Comments** (please provide the Question # for reference with your answer)

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