

Dear ECO Church Leaders,

ECO churches are asked to annually complete the Ministry Information Form (MIF). The MIF helps your presbytery and the Synod know how ECO is doing in growing flourishing churches from one year to another. The MIF also helps the Synod gather financial information and verify the 1% dues of the local church's operating budget.

While there is still much in flux following the Pandemic, currently the average congregation sees their covenant partners and regular attenders 1.2 times a month on a Sunday. Many congregations have contacted the Synod office over the last few years asking how virtual attendance should be counted. This creates a challenge for congregations when assessing how many people do we see (unique visits) over the week of our church verses on a Sunday morning. How do we count virtual "views" versus "full engagement?" How is a congregation able to accurately give an accounting of the age or ethnicity of its attendees if more than half of their population continues to engage with the church in a virtual context? Does a lower number of baptized individuals represent a shift in the church or just a post-pandemic reality? This year, we are also asking questions about Church Planting and ECO continues to support congregations and planters start new worshiping congregations and micro-expressions of church. Remember, the goal is to check-in not check-up. The Synod and presbyteries use this data (along with other information) to determine what additional support needs to be offered to local congregations in order for each one to flourish.

The MIF is due by March 31st, 2023. Note that the process is thorough and does take some time to complete, so plan ahead! We recommend that you:

- 1. Determine which staff and leaders you will need to fill out certain areas of the form.
- 2. Choose one person who is in charge of circulating the MIF among other staff, finalizing data, and submitting the MIF. Make sure to forward that person this email so they have the link to submit your MIF.
- 3. Print the MIF and circulate it to appropriate staff in order to gather all necessary information from your leaders. (To view/print the MIF, go to: eco-pres.org/2022mif
- 4. Submit the MIF online (or scan/mail) by March 31st, 2023.

Thank you! We hope that you have a wonderful Lenten season and Easter celebration! In Christ,

Rev. Nate Dreesmann Executive Director of Ecclesiastical Support

The MIF is due by March 31st, 2023. Please make every effort to honor this deadline. If you have any questions about any part of the MIF, please contact us at mif@eco-pres.org.

See next page for instructions on how to submit your church's MIF.



## Ways to Submit Your 2022 Ministry Information Form



## ONLINE (Preferred)

#### 1. Via the link in the original MIF email.

The original email was sent to your church's Pastor Head of Staff, Clerk of Session, and Primary Church Contact. Search for "2022 MIF" to find the original email and click on the button in that email that says, "Click Here to Submit Your Church's MIF Online",

If you don't have access or cant find the original email with the link, please email mif@eco-pres.org to request the link.

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	have your designated person who will submit your clurch's pelow when ready to complete your church MIF on
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Have your filled out MIF on hand or be ready with all the info so you can easily transfer the data over to the online submission form.

#### 2. Via the Church Portal

#### mychurch.eco-pres.org

If you are an ECO pastor and have created your account for the church portal, you can enter the information for your MIF and submit it from within the portal. Once logged into the portal, click "My Church" from the menu. You will see information about the MIF on the page. Have your filled out MIF on hand or be ready with all the info so you can easily transfer the data over to the online submission form.

If you are unable to access the above online submission options, you can download and complete the fillable pdf on your computer or print and hand-fill in a hard copy and send it via email or mail.

#### 3. Via Email

You can complete the form on your computer and email to us or if you have filled out your MIF by hand, you can scan and email to us.

Download the pdf form at: eco-pres.org/2022mif Email to: mif@eco-pres.org 4. Via Mail

ECO Office: MIF 5638 Hollister Ave Suite #210 Goleta, CA 93117

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## **2022 Ministry Information Form**

Please complete and submit this form by March 31st, 2023.

#### Person Completing this Form

Name		Title		
Date	Email		Phone	

#### **Church Information**

Full Chure	ch Name							
Has your	church's name changed in the	e past year?	Yes	No				
lf yes, wh	at was your church's previous	s name?						
Church Pl	hysical Address Street							
	City				State		Zipcode	
Church N	Nailing Address Street							
	City				State		Zipcode	
Church Ph	one #	General Church	Email					
		Church We	ebsite					
ECO ID	# ECO Presbyter (Ex. 005)	/			ls		in a Mission oup (MAG)?	Yes No Not Sure
	f Covenant (members) W	Average In-person orship Attendance					s) in a Pastor roup (PCG)?	Yes No
-	hurch has added both ECO ar / insured on your liability coverag		as Y	es No	)			Not Sure
Does your (	church use social media (Faceboo	ok, Instagram, Twitt	er)? Y	es No	)			
	Facebook Username or Link	Twitter l	Jsername or	Link	I	nstagram U	sername or Li	nk
If yes:								

#### Main Church Contacts

Past	or / Head of Staff			No Pastor/
N	ame	Email	Phone	In Transition
Clerl	< of Session			
	Vame	Email	Phone	
	ary Church Contact (Person who will ro Jame	eceive all communication from the ECO National Office) Email	Phone	
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	ce Contact	Email	Phone	
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Busi	ness/HR Contact			
	Name	Email	Phone	
Glob	al Missions / Local Outreach Conta	oct(s)		
	Name	Title	Email	
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Name

Email

# Church Staff How many staff members are: Paid Full Time Paid Part Time Volunteer Interns

#### **Other Ordained Pastors**

Examples: Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, Assistant Pastor for Youth/Students. Only list ordained pastors.

Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A
Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A
Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A
Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A
Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A

Yes

No

Have all of your pastors completed the required Proud to Protect Training through ECO?

#### Non-Ordained Ministry Directors and Leaders

Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A
Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A
Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A
Name	Title	Email	Full Time
			Part Time
			N/A
Name	Title	Email	Full Time
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			N/A

#### Ages

#### **Ethnicity**

For Children and Youth - include those who are active in ministry activities.

For Adults - include those who are on the membership rolls.

#### In 2022, how many people were in the age groups of:

17 and under

18 - 29

30 - 64

65 and older

Please indicate which ethnicity makes up the majority of your congregation as well as what percentage of your congregation is made up of this ethnic majority.

**Ethnic Majority** 

What percentage of your congregation is made up of your ethnic majority?

Session **Covenant Partners Baptisms** Beginning Total (as of 1/1/22) How many people made Infants / Children **Total Losses** up your church's session in 2022? (Removed from Covenant Partnership -Adults Those who transferred, are deceased, or were removed for other reasons.) **Total Number of Total Gains** Baptisms for 2022 Ending Total (as of 12/31/22)

#### **Financial Information**

#### 2022

2022 Receipts/Income: Actual Year-End Amounts

2022 Total Income

**Actual Giving Units** 

2022 Expenditures: Actual Year-End Amounts

2022 Total Expenses

\*Please note our change in mailing address: ECO 300 Garden of the Gods Rd Suite 130 Colorado Springs, CO 80907

#### 2023

2023 Budgeted Expenses

2023 Total Budgeted Expenses\*



\*This is the amount used to calculate 2023 ECO support. Do not include in any expenses related to Capital Campaigns or pass- thru accounts in this total.

Pass-thru accounts are accounts where special collections are made and then dispersed outside of the normal budget. For example, youth mission offerings or building projects related to Capital Campaigns.

### **Church Planting**

We are trying to have better insight on the ways in which our churches are involved in the multiplication of new churches and where we can grow in our efforts. For the purposes of the questions below we use the phrase "new church-type mission" to refer to church plants and/ or micro-expressions.

Has your ch	nurch started a new church-type mission in the last year?	Yes	No
	In 2022 did your church contribute financially and/or with in-kind gifts to any new church-type mission(s)?	Yes	No
In 2022, how much did you give in	the following categories to new church-type missi	ons:	
Dire	ct financial giving to individual new church-type missions.	(\$)	
Estimated value of in-kind gifts, e.g. sta	aff time, discounted rent, loaned equipment etc. (if any)?	(\$)	
How mai	ny new (<6 years old) church-type mission(s) are being con	itributed to?	
	ype mission in the process of being credentialed either with a ome way i.e. CLP 1/2 or Ordination or ECO planting process?	Vaa	No
	In addition to membership dues, did your church give above and beyond financially to presbytery and/or synod?	Yes	No
	If yes, what was the amount given	?	



<u>This is not the MIF</u> - this is a list of the information that will be asked on the MIF to help you prepare the information ahead of time if wanted.

## **Church Information**

• Church physical address

Church mailing address

• Church Name

- Number of Covenant Partners
- Average In-person Worship Attendance
- Is your church in a Mission Yes Affinity Group (MAG)?
- Is your pastor(s) in a Pastor Yes Covenant Group (PCG)?
- Church Facebook, Instagram or Twitter username or links
- General Church EmailChurch Website

Church Phone

- ECO Church ID#
- ECO Presbyterys

## Church Main Contact

- Pastor Head of Staff (Name, Email and Phone)
- Clerk of Session (Name, Email and Phone)
- Primary Church Contact (Name, Email and Phone)
- Finance Contact (Name, Email and Phone)
- Business/HR Contact (Name, Email and Phone)
- Global Missions/Local Outreach Contact(s) (Name, Title, Email)
- Children, Youth or Family Ministry Contact (s) (Name, Title, Email)

## Church Staff

- Number of Paid Full Time Staff
- Number of Paid Part Time Staff
- Number of Volunteer Staff
- Number of Interns

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- Ethnic Majority
- % of congregation made up by the ethic majority

## Baptism

## Session

- Infants/Children
- Adults
- Total

• The number of people that made up your church's session in 2022.

## **Covenant Partners**

- Beginning total (as of 1/1/22)
- Total Losses (Removed from Covenant Partnership -Those who transferred, are deceased, or were removed for other reasons.)
- Total Gains
- Ending Total (as of 12/31/22)

#### • 2022 Total Income

• 2022 Actual Giving Units

**Financial Information** 

- 2022 Total Expenses
- 2023 Total Budgeted Expenses\*

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