



THE YEARBOOK

of American & Canadian Churches

ASSOCIATION OF STATISTICIANS OF AMERICAN RELIGIOUS BODIES

THE YEARBOOK OF AMERICAN & CANADIAN CHURCHES

Copyright © 2021 Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies All rights reserved.

No part of this book may be reproduced in any manner whatsoever without written permission of the publisher except in brief quotations embodied in critical articles or reviews. For more information, contact the Association of of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies

ABOUT THE YEARBOOK

The Yearbook of American & Canadian Churches has served as the definitive handbook of North American denominations since 1916. Over our 100 year history, The Yearbook has remained an authoritative source for the most accurate and complete compilation of statistical data for North American religious bodies. Now an interactive online application, The Yearbook continues to catalog census information for *** denominational religious bodies. As of 2020, the Yearbook represents ***,*** faithful members, ***,*** clergy, ***,*** congregations, **,*** educational bodies, and more than \$***,***,***,***.** in total financial commitment.

Each listing contains a brief paragraph about the religious body, contact information for the group, and informative graphs detailing current and historical statistical data. Previously stewarded by the National Council of Churches, The Yearbook is overseen by the Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies (ASARB). in partnership with The National Council of Churches and Lake Institute on Faith and Giving. We invite you to join our effort by adding data for your religious group, becoming an ASARB member or making a contribution to our cause.

Visit us online at www.asarb.org.

OUR PARTNERS



CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD (MOTTO, CHRISTIAN WORKERS FOR FELLOWSHIP)



Headquarters

430 Forest Ave.
Cincinnati, OH 45229
United States
[\(513\)569-5660](tel:(513)569-5660)
officeofchiefjones@yahoo.com
<https://www.ctlgcwf...>
[Evangelical Protestant](#)

Media Contact

CHIEF BISHOP, ROBERT
TYLER

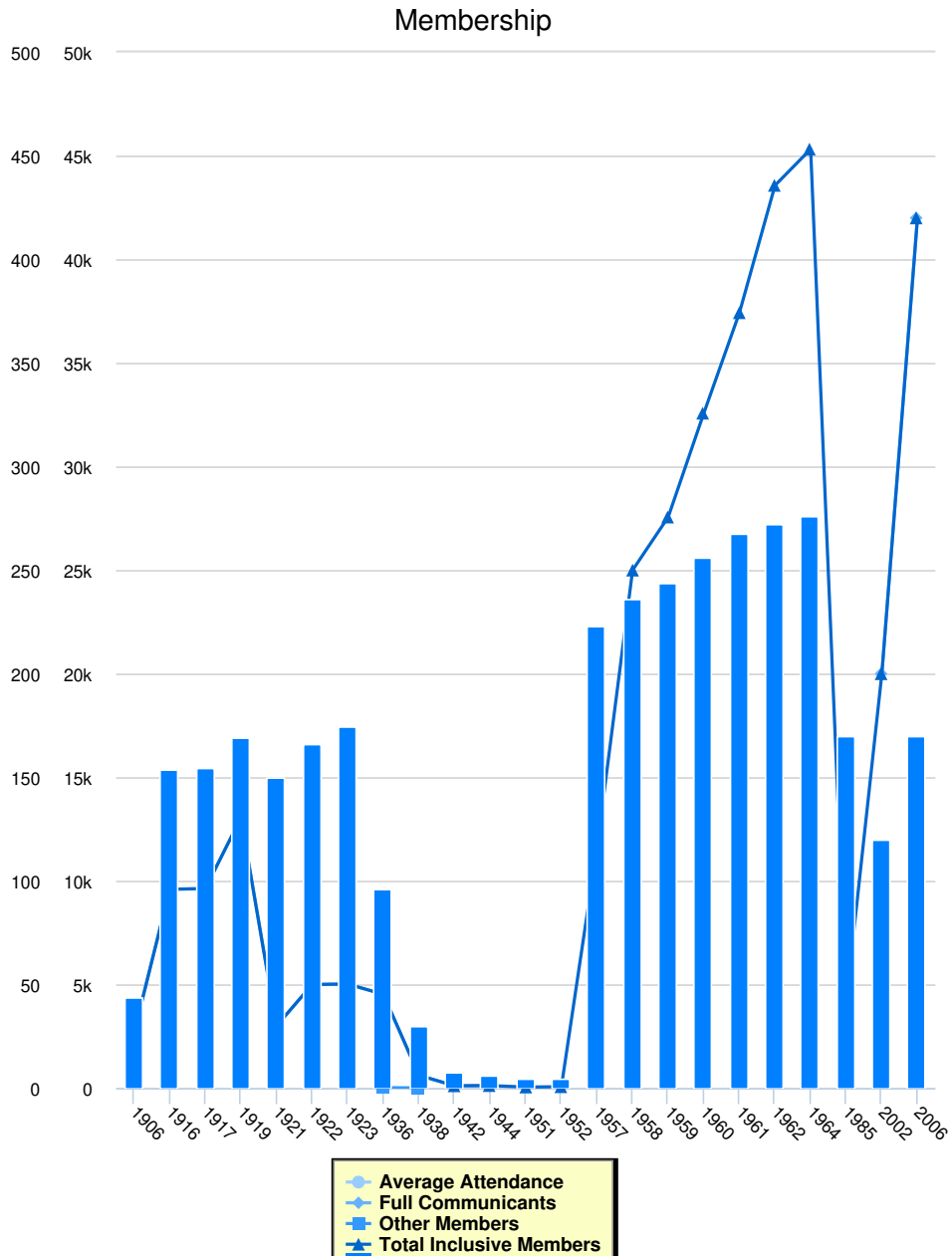
The Church of the Living God was founded by William Christian in April 1889 at Caine Creek, Arkansas. It was the first black church in America without Anglo-Saxon roots and not founded by white missionaries.

Chief Christian, as he is now referred, was born a slave in Mississippi on Nov. 10, 1856 and grew up uneducated. In 1875, he united with the Missionary Baptist Church and began to preach. In 1888, he left the Baptist Church and began what was known as Christian Friendship Work. Believing himself to have been inspired by the Spirit of God through divine revelation and close study of the Scriptures, he was led to the truth that the Bible refers to the church as The Church of the Living God (I Timothy. Ch.3 vs.15). In 1889, he established the Church of the Living God organization.

The organization is nondenominational, nonsectarian and Trinitarian and believers in the infallibility of the Scriptures. It emphasizes believer's baptism by immersion, the use of water and unleavened bread element in the Lord's Supper and the washing of feet that is required only when one unites with the church.

The local organizations are known as "Temples" rather than as "Churches" and are subject to the authority of the general assembly. The presiding officer is styled as "chief bishop." The ministry includes bishops, overseers, evangelists, pastors, missionaries and local preachers. The Executive Board is in charge of the operation of the entire organization, in the absence of the Annual Assembly. Synod, Annual, General Assembly meets quadrennial.

The Church of the Living God, now headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, has been in existence for more than 114 years. It is represented by approximately 10,000 members throughout 25 states within the U.S. The presiding officer, Chief Bishop W. E. Crumes, has led the organization for more than 30 years.



Instructions for the Chart and Legend

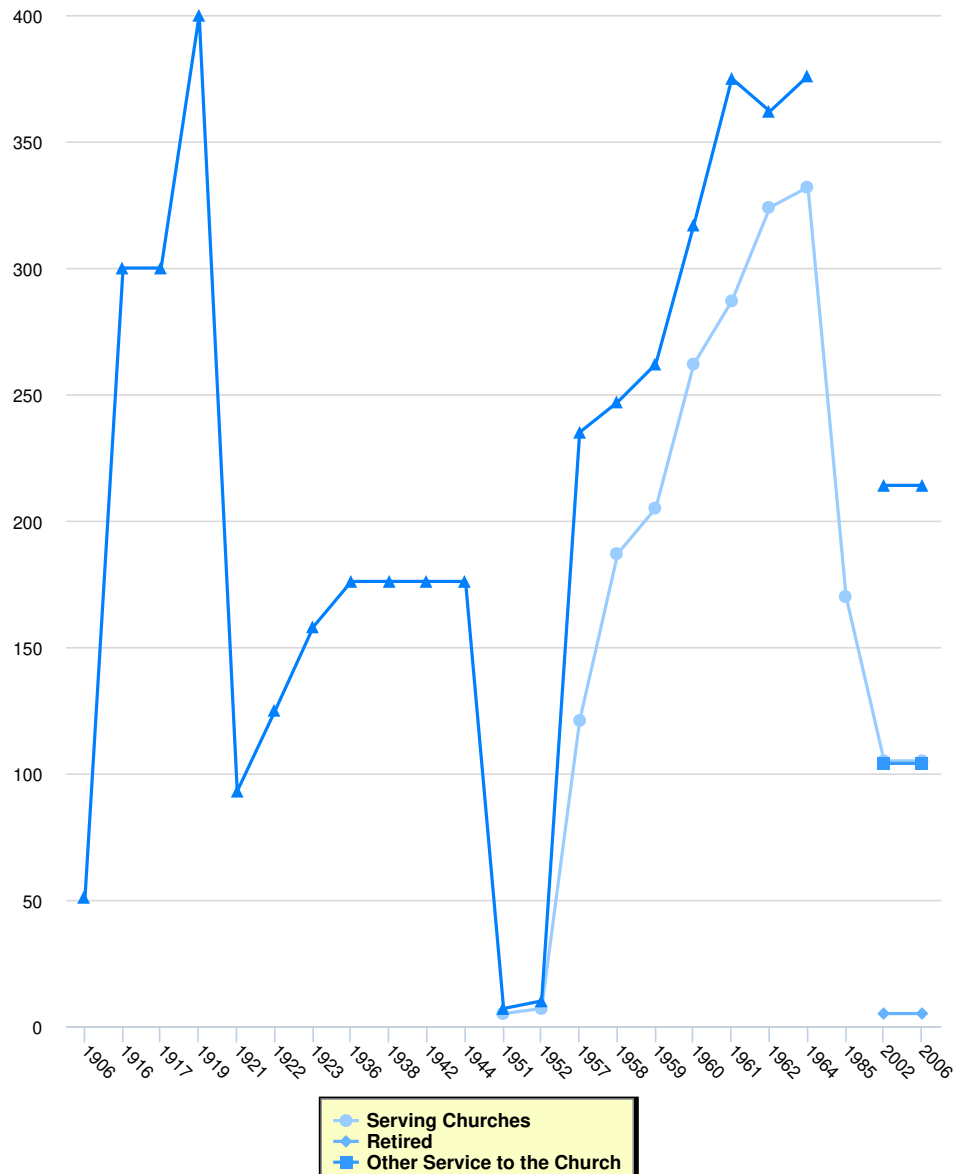
Simply click on the data set in the legend to make the values appear or disappear from the chart.

Membership

	Full Communicants	Average Attendance	Other Members	Total Inclusive Members	Total Churches	Membership Calculation Method
2006	42,000	0	0	42,000	170	
2002	20,000	0	0	20,000	120	
1985	0	0	0	4,200	170	
1964	0	0	0	45,320	276	
1962	0	0	0	43,572	272	
1961	0	0	0	37,425	268	
1960	0	0	0	32,575	256	
1959	0	0	0	27,562	244	
1958	0	0	0	25,000	236	
1957	0	0	0	11,594	223	

	Full Communicants	Average Attendance	Other Members	Total Inclusive Members	Total Churches	Membership Calculation Method
1952	0	0	0	65	5	
1951	0	0	0	50	5	
1944	120	0	0	120	6	
1942	110	0	0	110	8	
1938	611	0	9	620	30	
1936	4,525	0	20	4,525	96	
1923	5,021	0	0	5,021	175	
1922	5,000	0	0	5,000	166	
1921	3,000	0	0	3,000	150	
1919	13,050	0	0	13,050	169	
1917	9,626	0	0	9,626	155	
1916	9,598	0	0	9,598	154	
1906	2,676	0	0	2,676	44	

Clergy

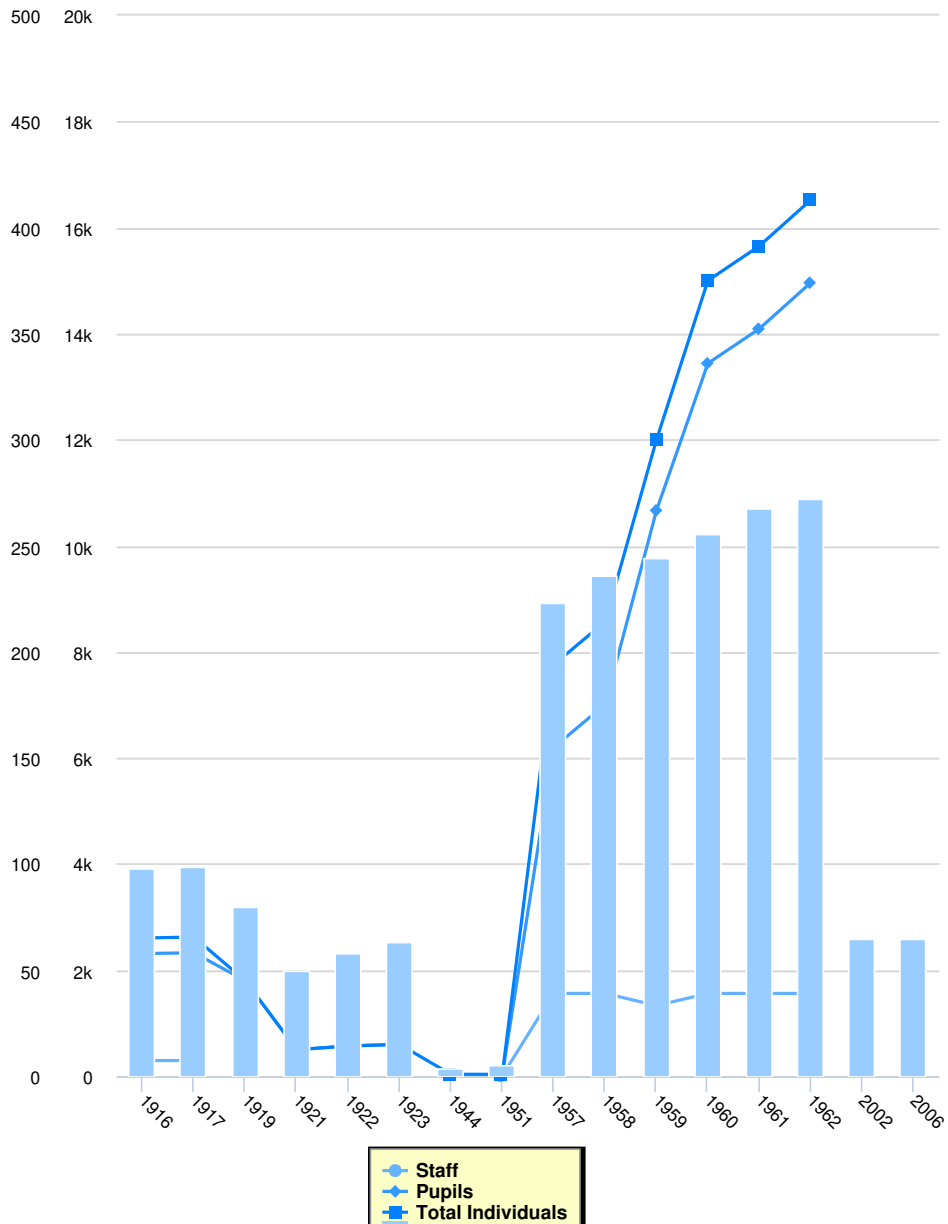


Clergy

	Serving Churches	Retired	Other Service to the Church	Total Clergy
2006	105	5	104	214
2002	105	5	104	214
1985	170	0	0	0
1964	332	0	0	376
1962	324	0	0	362
1961	287	0	0	375
1960	262	0	0	317
1959	205	0	0	262
1958	187	0	0	247
1957	121	0	0	235
1952	7	0	0	10
1951	5	0	0	7
1944	0	0	0	176
1942	0	0	0	176

	Serving Churches	Retired	Other Service to the Church	Total Clergy
1938	0	0	0	176
1936	0	0	0	176
1923	0	0	0	158
1922	0	0	0	125
1921	0	0	0	93
1919	0	0	0	400
1917	0	0	0	300
1916	0	0	0	300
1906	0	0	0	51

Education

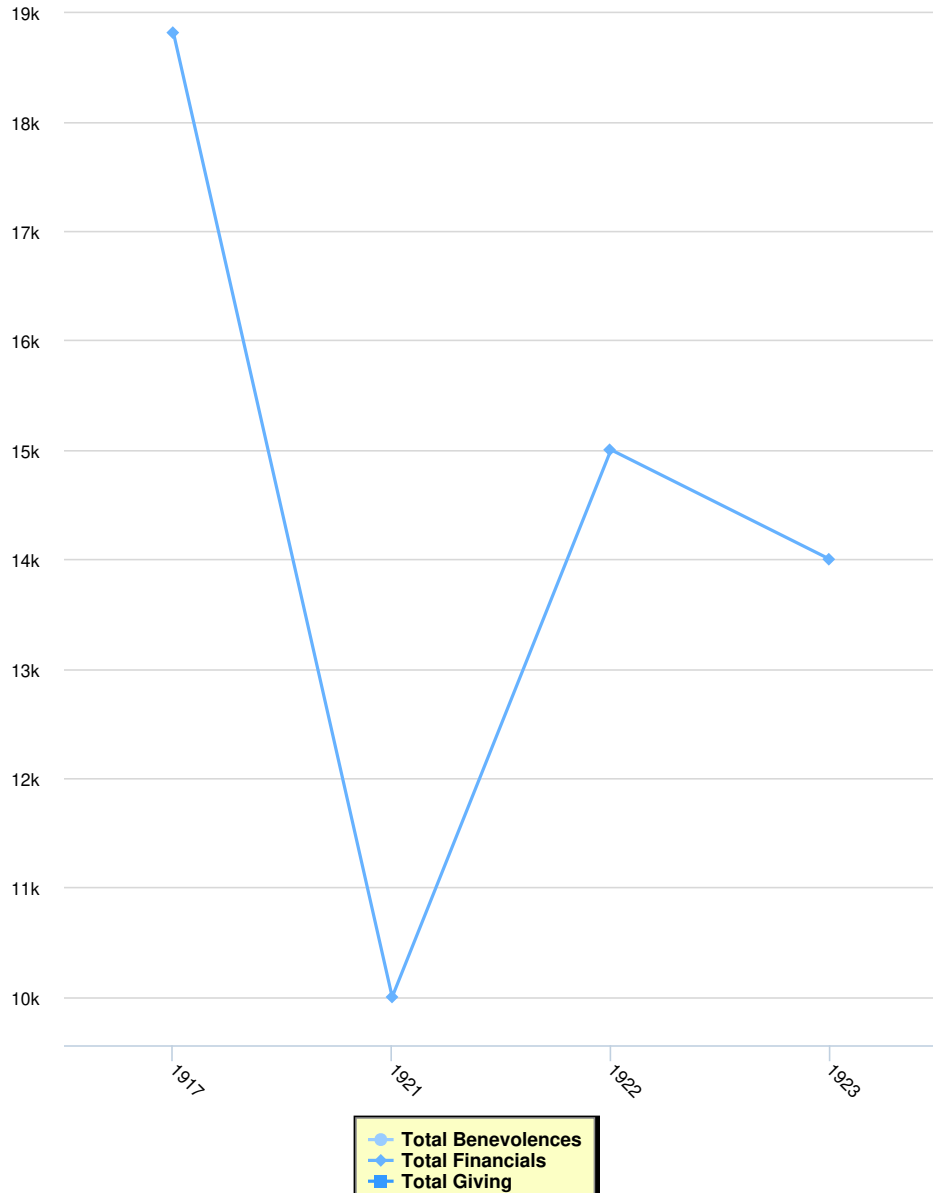


Education

	Total Schools	Staff	Pupils	Total Individuals
2006	65	0	0	0
2002	65	0	0	0
1962	272	1,560	14,960	16,520
1961	268	1,560	14,092	15,652
1960	256	1,560	13,440	15,000
1959	244	1,332	10,668	12,000
1958	236	1,561	7,010	8,571
1957	223	1,561	6,197	7,758
1951	5	10	26	36
1944	4	0	0	36
1923	63	0	600	600
1922	58	0	570	570
1921	50	0	500	500

	Total Schools	Staff	Pupils	Total Individuals
1919	80	0	1,800	1,800
1917	99	296	2,328	2,624
1916	98	294	2,311	2,605

Finance



Finance

	Total Benevolences	Total Financials	Total Giving	Local Expenses	Method
1923	\$0	\$14,000		\$0	
1922	\$0	\$15,000		\$0	
1921	\$0	\$10,000		\$0	
1917	\$0	\$18,812		\$0	