



# **THE YEARBOOK**

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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.

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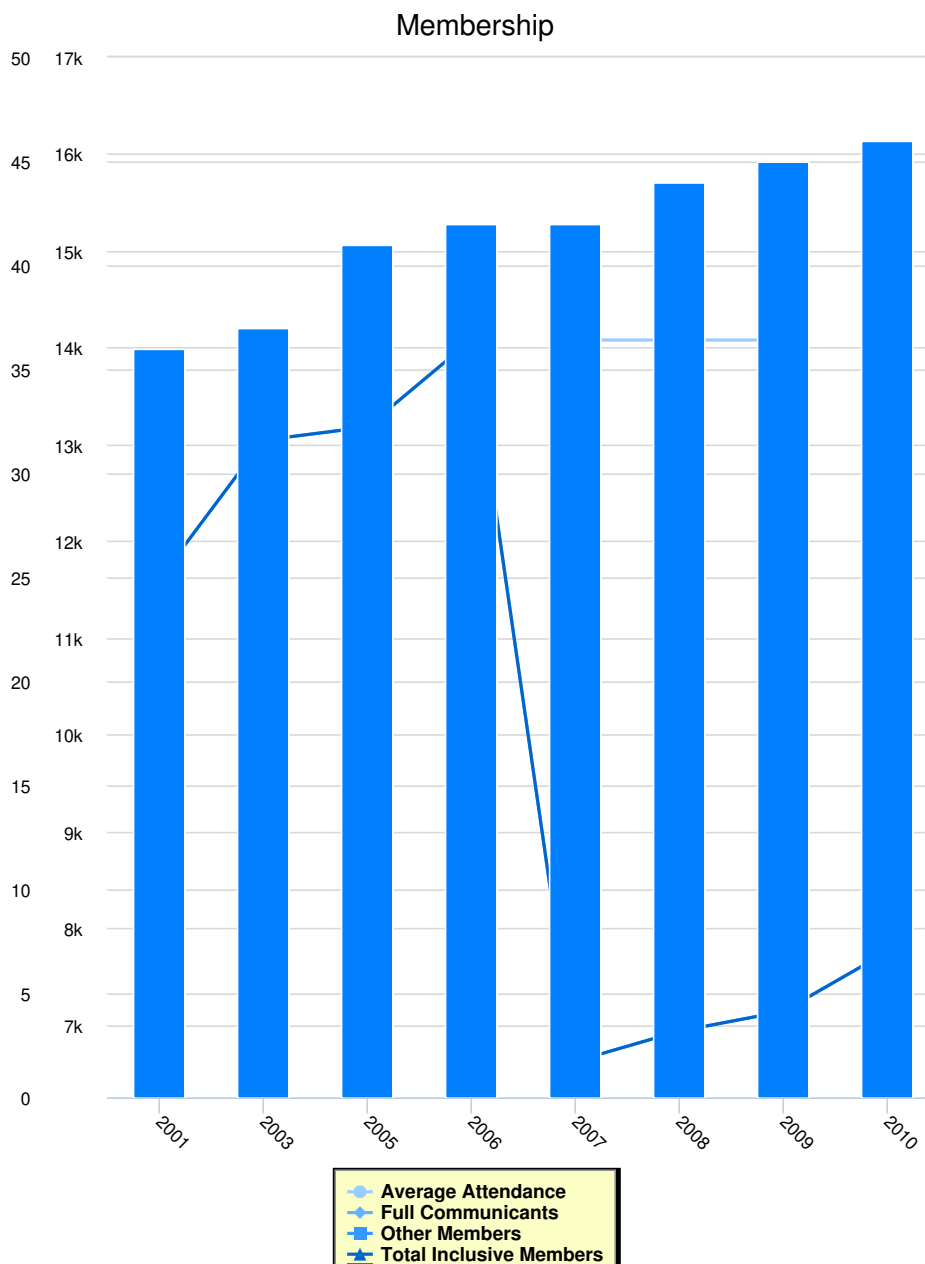
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The Evangelical Mennonite Church is an American denomination in the European free church tradition, tracing its heritage to the Reformation period of the 16th century. The Swiss Brethren of that time believed that salvation could come only by repentance for sins and faith in Jesus Christ; that baptism was only for believers; and that the church should be separate from controls of the state. Their enemies called them Anabaptists, since they insisted on rebaptizing believers who had been baptized as infants. As the Anabaptist movement spread to other countries, Menno Simons became its principal leader. In time his followers were called Mennonites.

In 1693 a Mennonite minister, Jacob Amman, insisted that the church should adopt a more conservative position on dress and style of living and should more rigidly enforce the "ban" - the church's method of disciplining disobedient members. Amman's insistence finally resulted in a division within the South German Mennonite groups; his followers became known as the Amish. Migrations to America, involving both Mennonites and Amish, took place in the 1700s and 1800s, for both religious and economic reasons.

The Evangelical Mennonite Church was formed in 1866 out of a spiritual awakening among the Amish in Indiana. It was first known as the Egly Amish, after its founder Bishop Henry Egly. Bishop Egly emphasized regeneration, separation and nonconformity to the world. His willingness to rebaptize anyone who had been baptized without repentance created a split in his church, prompting him to gather a new congregation in 1866. The conference, which has met annually since 1895, united a number of other congregations of like mind. This group became The Defenseless Mennonite Church in 1898 and has been known as the Evangelical Mennonite Church since 1948. At the 2003 convention the delegates voted to change the name to Fellowship of Evangelical Churches.



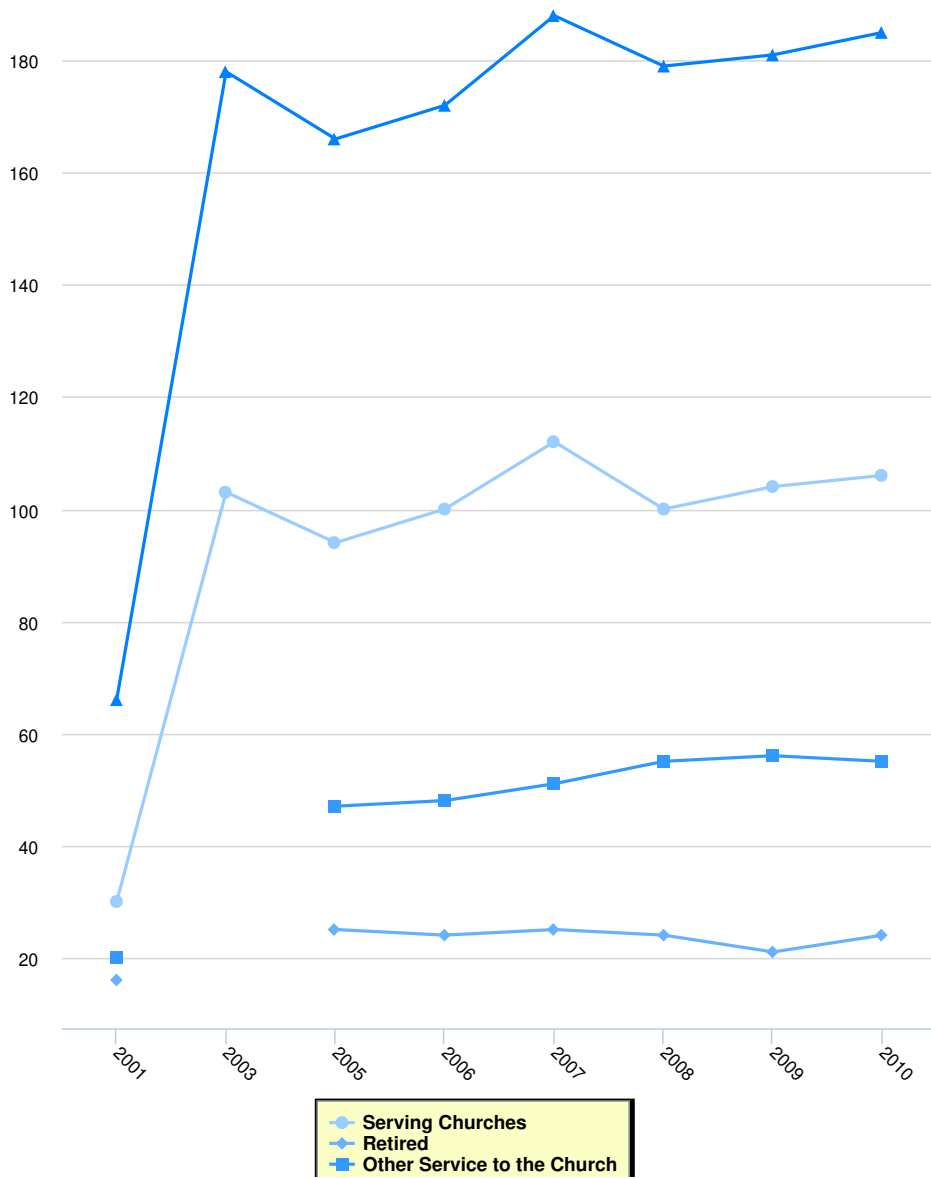
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#### Membership

	Full Communicants	Average Attendance	Other Members	Total Inclusive Members	Total Churches	Membership Calculation Method
2010	7,754	0	0	7,754	46	
2009	7,137	14,078	0	7,137	45	
2008	6,933	14,078	0	6,933	44	
2007	6,621	14,078	0	6,621	42	
2006	14,078	0	0	14,078	42	
2005	13,179	0	0	13,179	41	
2003	13,043	0	0	13,043	37	
2001	11,604	0	0	11,604	36	

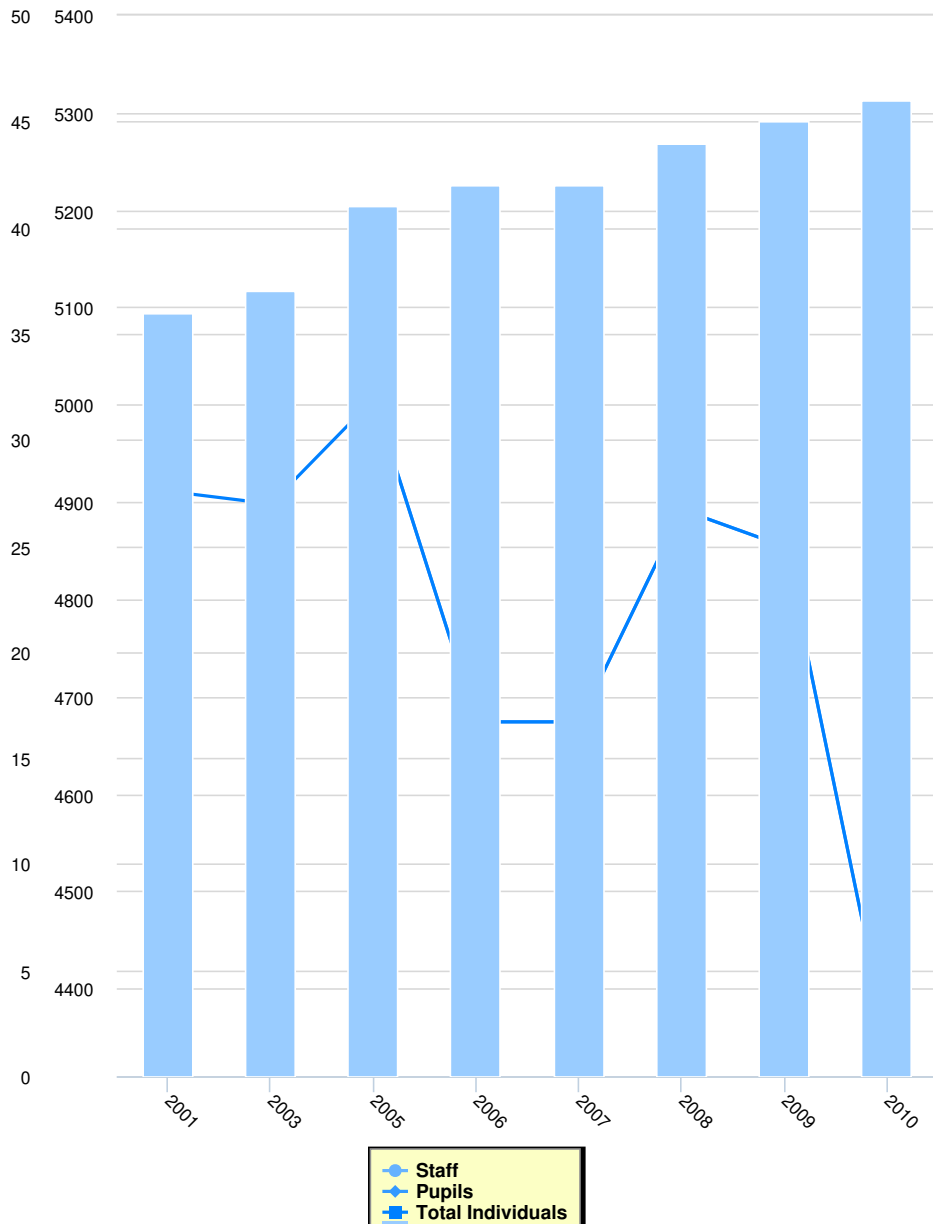
### Clergy



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	Serving Churches	Retired	Other Service to the Church	Total Clergy
2010	106	24	55	185
2009	104	21	56	181
2008	100	24	55	179
2007	112	25	51	188
2006	100	24	48	172
2005	94	25	47	166
2003	103	0	0	178
2001	30	16	20	66

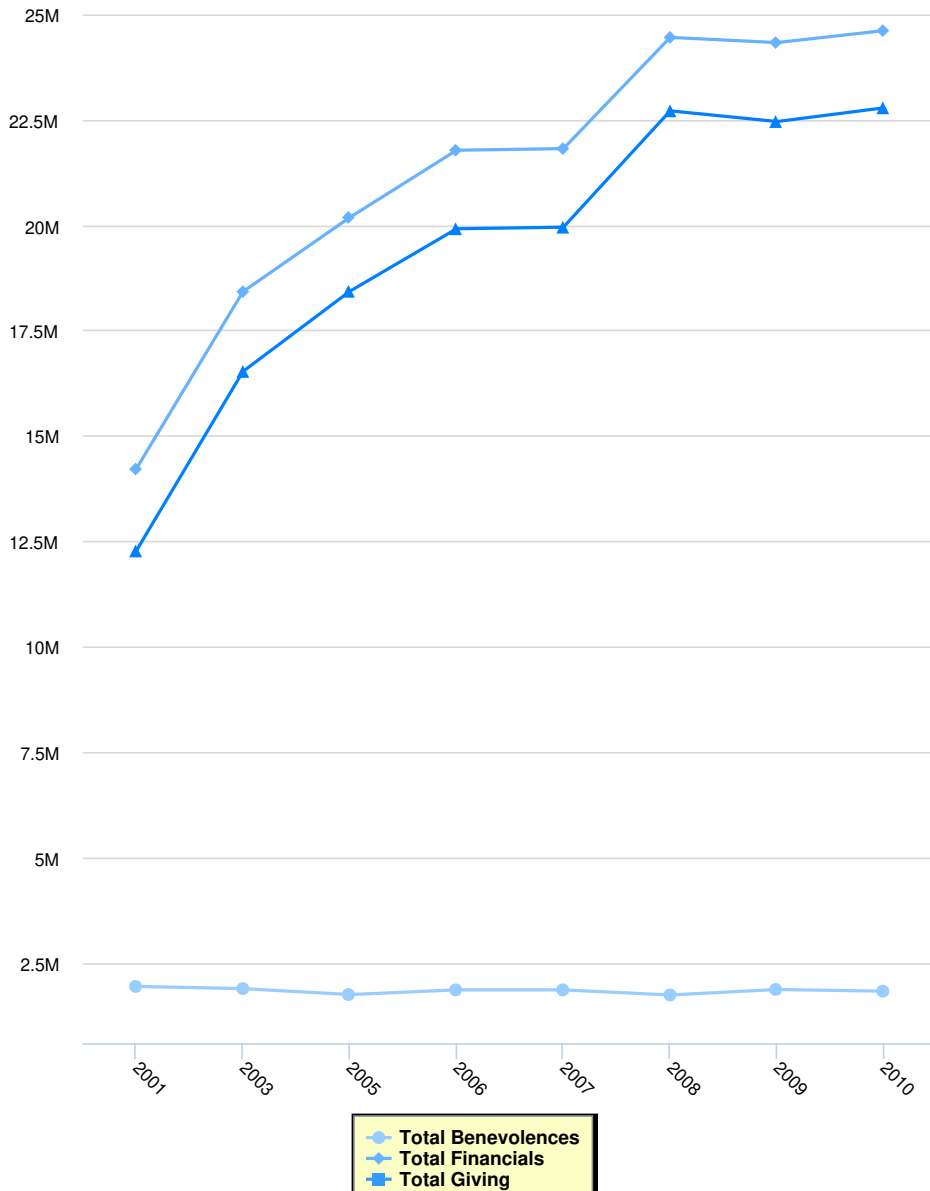
## Education



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	<b>Total Schools</b>	<b>Staff</b>	<b>Pupils</b>	<b>Total Individuals</b>
2010	46	0	4,343	4,343
2009	45	0	4,854	4,854
2008	44	0	4,892	4,892
2007	42	0	4,674	4,674
2006	42	0	4,674	4,674
2005	41	0	5,006	5,006
2003	37	0	0	4,898
2001	36	0	4,911	4,911

## Finance



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	<b>Total Benevolences</b>	<b>Total Financials</b>	<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>Local Expenses</b>	<b>Method</b>
2010	\$1,831,350	\$24,607,538		\$22,776,188	
2009	\$1,871,850	\$24,323,500		\$22,451,650	
2008	\$1,741,233	\$24,446,883		\$22,705,650	
2007	\$1,862,352	\$21,809,098		\$19,946,746	
2006	\$1,862,352	\$21,771,519		\$19,909,167	
2005	\$1,751,220	\$20,178,052		\$18,426,832	
2003	\$1,892,484	\$18,418,273		\$16,525,789	
2001	\$1,943,904	\$14,213,020		\$12,269,116	