

10 YEAR TRENDS – CINCINNATI PRESBYTERY – 2001-2011 (appendix to Transformation 2.0)

Membership Changes

Decline in members of 30% - 20,050 members to 14,133 members

Mean Number of Members Per Congregation declined 28% - 238 to 172

Median Number of Members Per Congregation declined by 28% as well – 124 to 89

% of congregations with 100 members or less increased by 23% and now 54% of all churches in the presbytery have less than 100 members

% of congregations with 101-300 members declined by 9 congregations, a 25% decrease in congregations of that size

85% of all congregations in Cincinnati Presbytery now have 300 members or less

Total weekly Worship Attendance declined by 29% over those 10 years (9,165 to 6,530)

In the 5-year period (2007-2011) gains in membership were 3,378 and losses were 6,161

In this 10-year period there has been a decline in Infant Baptisms of 32%, 268 per year to 181 per year

Worship Attendance

27% of congregations report a large decline in worship (more than 10%), 11% report a moderate decline in worship (6% to 10% decline, 7% report a small decline in worship (1%-5%). This means that 45% of all congregations report a decline in worship attendance

Stewardship

Total Disbursements for Local Program and Local Mission declined by 14% from \$16,172,370 to \$13,846,856

Though total disbursements declined by 14%, disbursements to Local Mission declined by 38% (\$1,694,821 in 2001 to \$1,043,044 in 2011)

Giving per member to Validated Mission declined by 30% (\$53.00 in 2001 to \$39.50 in 2011)

Investment Income decreased by 37% over the 10 years (\$2,062,086 to \$1,306,279 {partly due to investment return but partly due to spend down of available investments}