

# 2022 CALIFORNIA NEVADA SOUTHERN CONFERENCE STATISTICAL PROFILE

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# CONFERENCE STATISTICAL PROFILE (2022)

## MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION

Congregations: 111  
Proposed Congregations: 3  
Members: 13,033 (110 reporting)  
Average Membership: 118.5  
Average Confirmations: 0.6  
Average Confessions of Faith: 0.6  
Average Transfers In: 0.9  
Average Reaffirmations: 1.7  
Average Deaths: 2.5  
Average Transfers Out: 1.7  
Average Child Baptisms: 0.1  
Average Adult Baptisms: 0.2  
Christian Education/Faith Formation Program: 18.0%  
Youth Program: 9.0%  
Open and Affirming: 66.7%  
Accessible: 81.1%  
Web URL/Web Presence: 75.7%

## RACE/ETHNICITY BY CONGREGATION

White/Euro-American: 60.6%  
African-American: 1.8%  
Asian/Pacific Islander: 22.0%  
Hispanic/Latino(a): 0.0%  
Native American: 0.0%  
Bi-Racial/Multi-Racial: 13.8%  
Other: 1.8%

*2022 Conference Statistical Profile data reported as of Dec. 31, 2021*

## LOCAL CHURCH STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCES

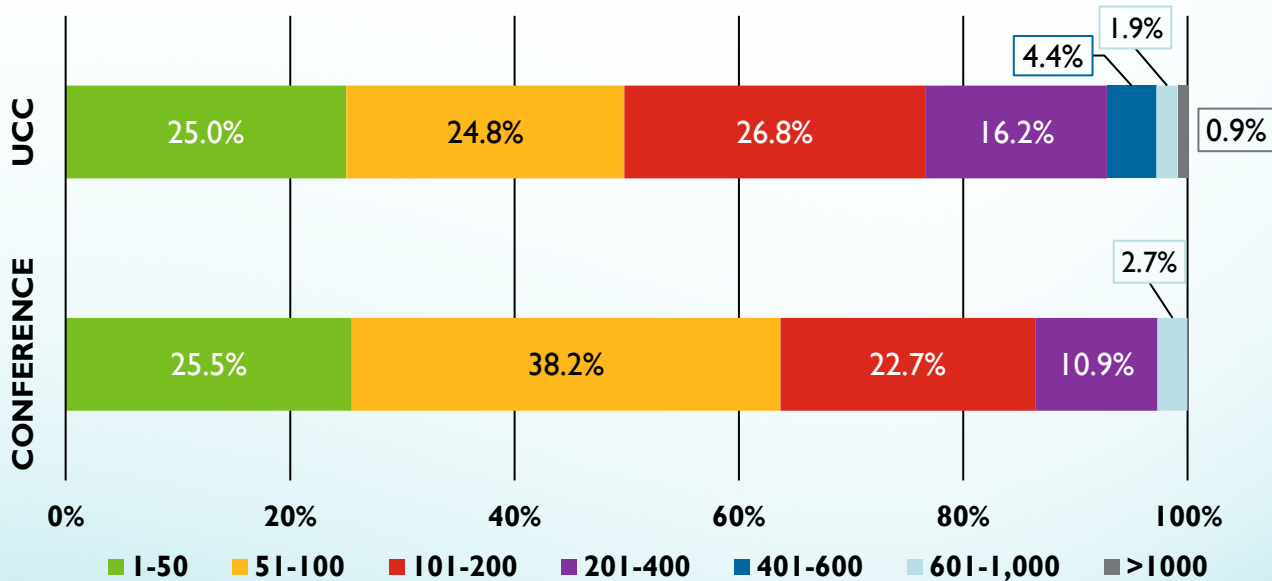
Average Basic Support: \$5,355  
Average Other UCC Giving: \$1,739  
Average Total OCWM: \$7,095  
Average One Great Hour of Sharing: \$344  
Average Neighbors in Need: \$252  
Average Christmas Fund: \$230  
Average Strengthen the Church: \$61  
5 for 5 Churches: 8.1%  
Average Other Gifts: \$15,761  
Average Operating Expenses: \$244,375  
Average Total Income: \$415,984

## AUTHORIZED MINISTERS

Ordained: 204 (62.0%)  
Licensed: 1 (0.3%)  
Lay Ministerial Standing: 5 (1.5%)  
Commissioned: 6 (1.8%)  
Ordained Ministerial Partner Standing: 7 (2.1%)  
Dual Standing: 9 (2.7%)  
Active (Non-Retired): 190 (57.8%)  
Retired/Pastor Emeritus: 139 (42.2%)  
Number in Local Church Positions: 90 (27.4%)  
Number in Other Positions: 47 (14.3%)  
Number of Unclassified/Leave of Absence: 53 (16.1%)  
\*Average Age: 58 years old  
\*Gender: F = 55.3%, M = 37.9%,  
Gender-Variant and Transgender = 1.1%, Unknown = 5.8%

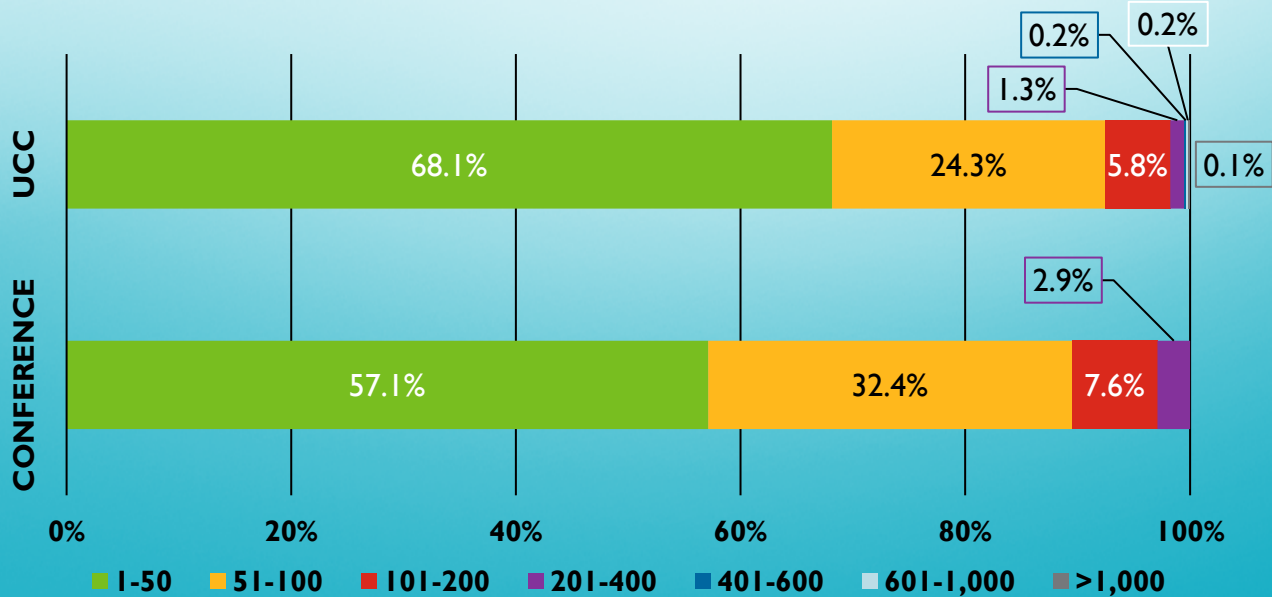
*\*Includes only active (non-retired) Authorized Ministers*

## PERCENT OF CONGREGATIONS BY SIZE



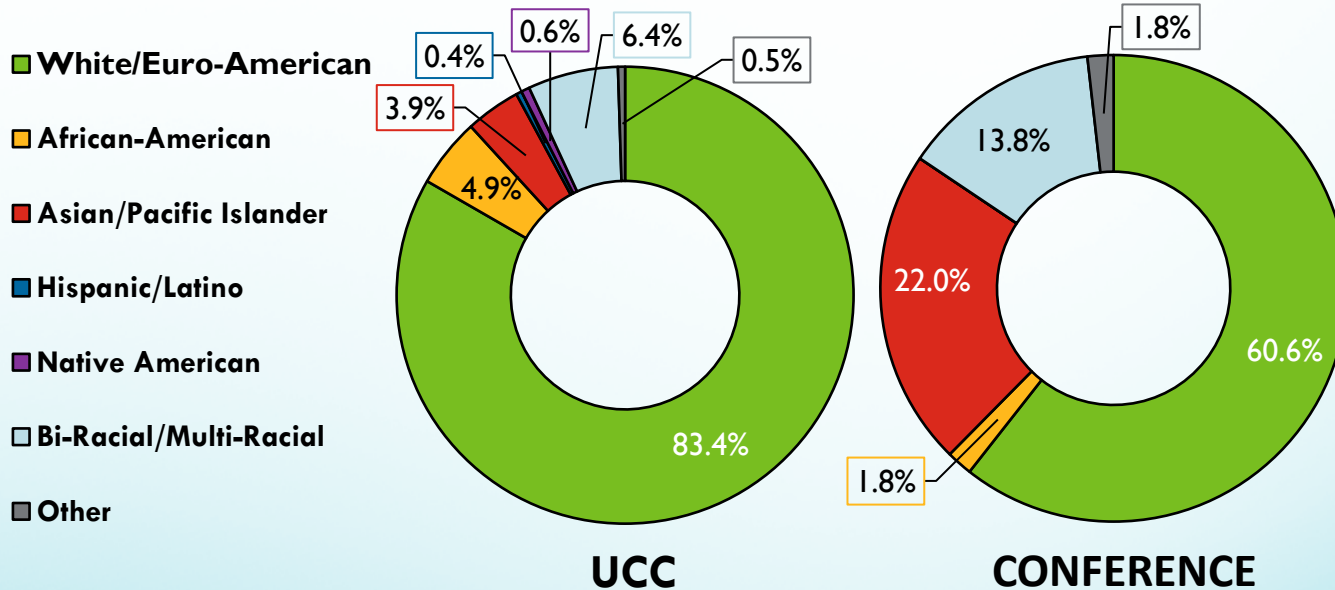
The California Nevada Southern Conference is relatively close to the UCC average in terms of membership distribution, though with a greater proportion of low- to mid-sized congregations and a smaller proportion of large congregations. 63.7% of Conference churches have 100 or fewer members, compared with 49.8% for the UCC nationally.

## PERCENT OF CONGREGATIONS BY ATTENDANCE



Compared to the UCC nationally, the California Nevada Southern Conference has a smaller proportion of congregations with 50 or fewer attendees and a larger proportion of congregations with more than 100 and more than 400.

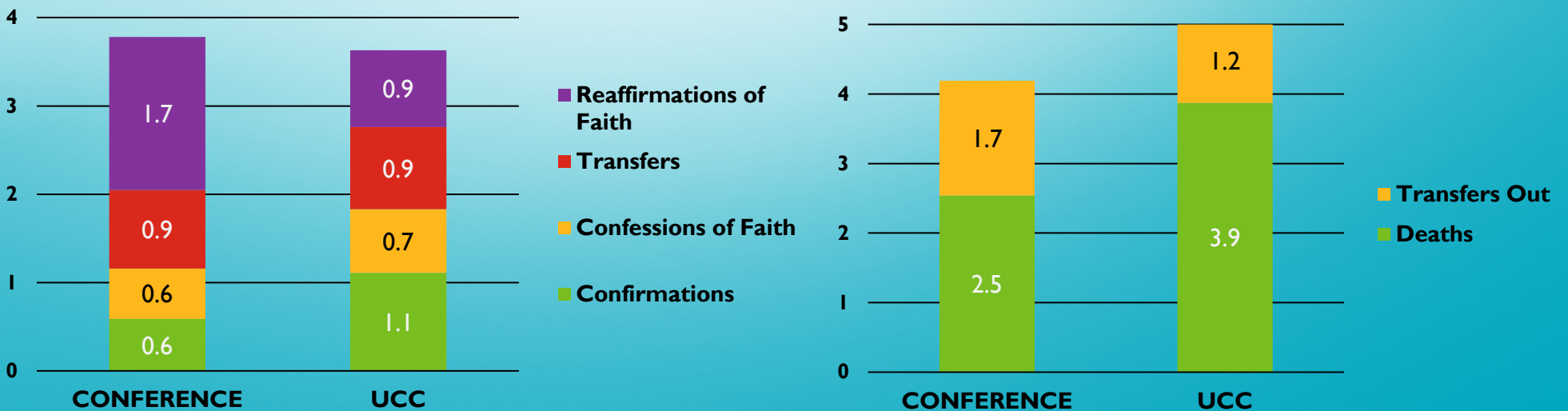
# RACE AND ETHNICITY



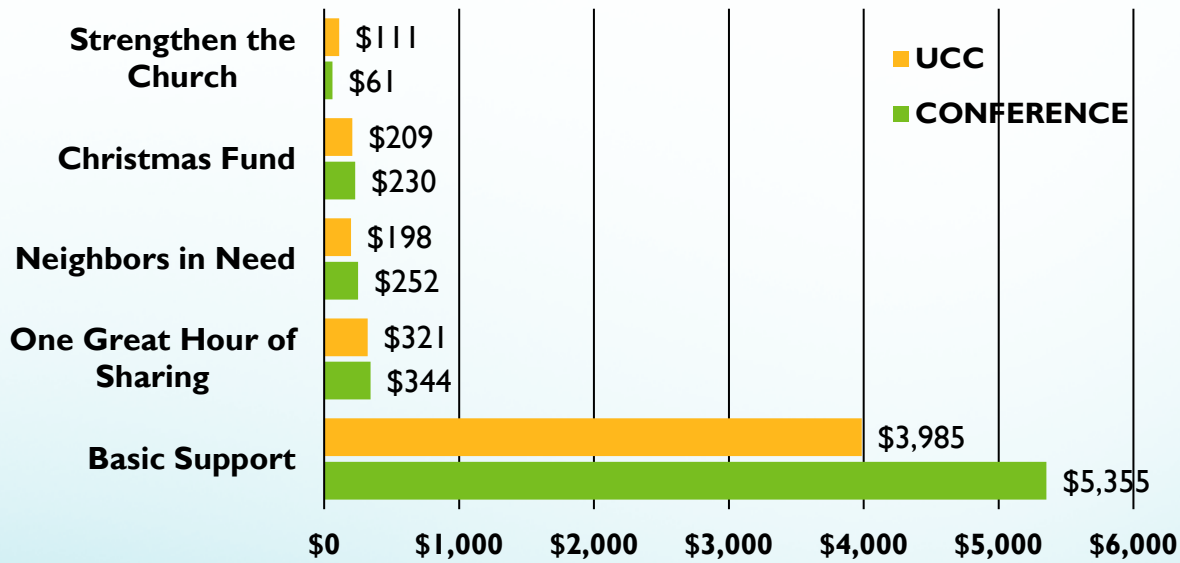
In terms of racial/ethnic makeup, the Conference has more than twice the percentage of bi- or multi-racial congregations and more than five times the portion of Asian/Pacific Islander congregations.

On average, Conference churches had slightly more additions and fewer removals than the UCC nationally, with the largest differences coming in average reaffirmations of faith and number of deaths.

# AVERAGE MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS AND REMOVALS BY CHURCH



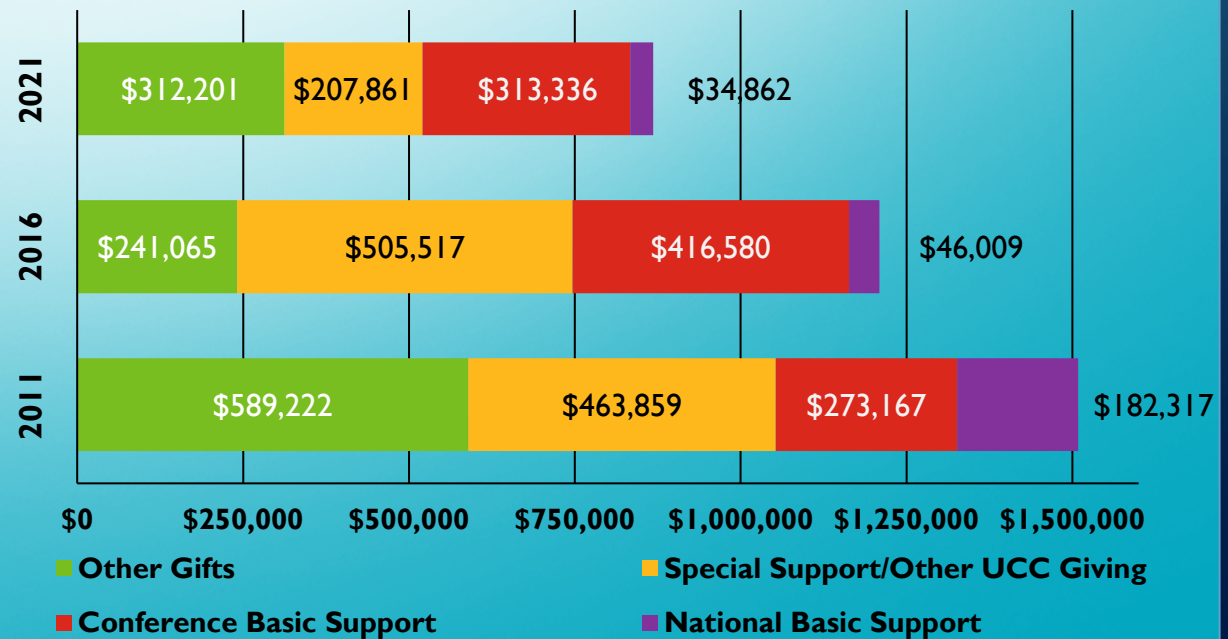
## LOCAL CHURCH AVERAGE OFFERINGS



The California Nevada Southern Conference gave more to special offerings than the average UCC congregation across all four categories. Of these, One Great Hour of Sharing was the offering to which churches gave the most. Conference congregations gave approximately 34.4% more toward Basic Support than the national average, as well.

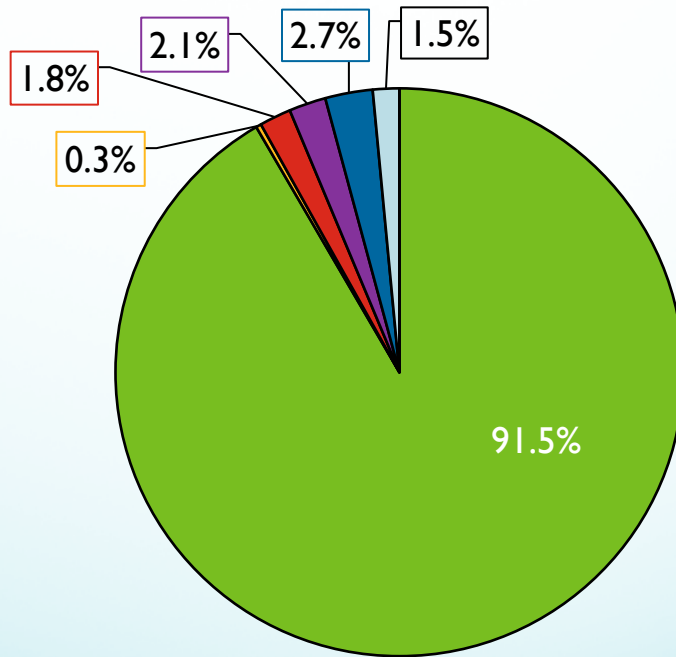
## TOTAL MISSION SUPPORT

Since 2011, mission support has declined in three categories—national basic support by 80.9%, special support/other UCC giving by 55.2%, and other gifts by 47.0%—while growing in one, conference basic support, by 14.7%. Relative to 2016, conference basic support, national basic support, and special support/other UCC giving have declined by 24.8%, 24.2%, and 58.9%, respectively. During this same period, other gifts increased by 29.5%.



# AUTHORIZED MINISTERS

- Ordained
- Licensed
- Commissioned
- Ordained Ministerial Partner Standing
- Dual Standing
- Lay Ministerial Standing



Ordained ministers constitute 91.5% of ministers in the Conference, closely tracking the national figure of 90.2%. At the same time, the Conference has a notably smaller percentage of licensed ministers, with 0.3% compared to 4.6% nationally.

Active ministers outnumber retired and emeritus ministers at close to a 5 to 4 ratio, just under the national ratio of 3 to 2.

Female ministers outnumber male ministers in the Conference at a rate of just over 3 to 2, contrasting with national averages of 46.3% and 50.0%, respectively. 1.1% of ministers in the Conference identified as transgender or gender-variant (vs. 0.4% nationally), and 5.8% did not specify (vs. 3.3% nationally).

