The Ministerial Vocation Committee and the Office of the Stated Clerk of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church are responsible for denominational vocational services. As part of the process of "matching" ministers and congregations, the Office of the Stated Clerk provides resources and advice to both pastors and congregational search committees. To that end, we ask congregations and ministers to complete information forms as an introduction to each other, and a first step in the process of calling a minister for a congregation. For both the pastor and the congregation, this is an opportunity for self-study and evaluation of current ministry and goals. This calls for honesty, effort, and open communication.

This Church Information Form (CIF) presents the local congregation's history, challenges, and goals. It is our hope that this will help facilitate the search process by assisting both the church in focusing on future directions and applicants in gaining some sense of the nature and uniqueness of this congregation.

We encourage churches to list their vacancies on the Ministry Staff Opportunities webpage at <u>www.epc.org/mso</u>. For more information or to send your posting, email <u>info@epc.org</u>.

Guidance for church-based human resources questions such as background checks, personnel policy manuals, and more is available at the Office of the General Assembly by contacting Marti Ratcliff at *marti.ratcliff@epc.org* or 407-930-4263.

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Evangelical Presbyterian Church ATTN: OFFICE OF THE STATED CLERK 5850 T.G. Lee Blvd., Suite 510 Orlando, FL 32822

Phone: 407-930-4239 Fax: 407-930-4247 E-mail: *info@epc.org*



Part 1: Church Information

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1.	Church Name			
	Address			
	Telephone ()	_ Fax ()	
	E-mail	Website		
2.	Presbytery			
	Presbytery Ministerial Committee Liaison			
3.	Search Committee Chairman			
	Address			
	E-mail			
	Telephone ()			
4.	List all paid staff positions (use additional shee	t if necessary])	
			🗌 Full time	🗌 Part time
			🗌 Full time	🗌 Part time
			🗌 Full time	🗌 Part time
			🗌 Full time	🗌 Part time
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5. List all key volunteer positions

6.	List all vacant positions	
	Position Available	Date of Vacancy
	Position Available	Date of Vacancy
	Position Available	Date of Vacancy
7.	Membership (state approximate numbers and percentage	es)
	Five y	vears ago Currently
	A. Number of church members	
	B. Number of family units	
	C Warship attendence	
8.	Community Growth Increasing Static	Declining
9.	Profile of church members A. Age:	
	<u> </u>	% 25-34
	% 35-49% 50-64% 65+	

B.	Occupation:
	% Business% Professional% Trades
	% Agriculture% Stay-at-Home Parent% Retired
	% Other (Please Specify)
C.	Educational level of adults % some high school% high school% college% graduate school
D.	Percentage of members belonging to the congregation
	Less than one year%
	5 years or less%
	6-10 years%
	10 years or more%
	10 years or more% acial/Ethnic composition of: Congregation % African-American% Asian% Caucasian% Hispanic % Other (Specify)
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12. Worship

A.	Worship Time	Average Worship Attendance	Worship Style
B.	Frequency of commu	nion celebration:	per year

- C. How are members involved in planning and participation in the liturgy/worship?
- D. Style of liturgy used in your worship (e.g., traditional, contemporary, variety)
- E. Type of music used in worship (e.g., traditional, contemporary, variety)

13. Ministry Programs

- A. Average attendance in Church School (under 18 years): _____
- B. Average attendance in Adult Education (Sunday):
- C. Average involvement in Small Groups:

14. Organizational Structure

List major boards, committees, and organizations that are part of your church and frequency of meetings (monthly, weekly, etc.)

Name	Purpose of Group	Number of members	Frequency of meetings	Leadership Role*

*Indicate leadership role expected by using the number below:

- 1. Pastor takes primary initiative and responsibility.
- 2. Pastor and laity share responsibility.
- 3. Laity takes primary initiative and responsibility.
- 4. A staff person takes primary initiative and responsibility.

Part 2: Financial/Church Campus Information

- 1. Current annual budget: \$ ______ Last year's annual budget: \$ ______ (Attach a copy of current budget)
- 2. Percentage of income received toward budget: %

\$ _____

\$_____

\$ _____

\$ _____

- 3. Amount contributed for year (most recent complete reporting year)
 - A. EPC Percentage of Income
 - B. EPC World Outreach Global Workers
 - C. EPC Special Projects
 - D. Presbytery Per Member Asking/Percentage of Income \$_____
 - E. Other Missions/Missionaries
- 4. Property owned by church
 - A. Describe buildings and property (other than manse), including condition.

B.	Are your buildings add If no, please explain:	equate for you	r present prog	ram?	☐ Yes	□ No
C.	Is a building program If yes, describe what, w				Yes	🗌 No
D.	Does the church own a	a manse?			🗌 Yes	🗌 No
	Condition:	Good	🗌 Fair	Poor	# of Bedrooms	
	Pastor's Office/Study:	🗌 In Church	🗌 In Manse	🗌 Not Pr	ovided	
		Other				

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5.		ompensation:			
	A.	The salary range we are prepared to offer:			
		Position:			
		Position:			
		Position:	_ \$		
	B.	The average annual increase over the past three	ee years is:		
		Position:	\$	or	%
		Position:	_ \$	or	%
		Position:	\$\$	or	%
		Position:	_ \$	or	%
	0.	Housing Housing Allowance Manse Only Either of the Above			
	D.	Benefits and expenses			
		Retirement Plan (minimum 10% g	ross effective sal	ary)	
		Medical insurance (EPC medical co	overage required	for full-time TE	is)
		Life insurance			
		Social Security			
		Travel/mileage			
		Book allowance			
		Study leave allowance (minimum 2	2 weeks)		
		Annual vacation days (minimum 4	weeks)		
		Number of worship services per year of worship services per year (in addition to vacation and study	-	tor is provided	relief
		Sabbatical frequency and length			
		Other (Specify:)
	E.	The church participates in the EPC's medical b	enefits plan	Yes	No
	F.	The church participates in the EPC's retiremen	nt plan	Yes	No

Agree

Disagree

Part 3: Church Characteristics

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Check the box that most closely describes the current characteristics of the congregation.

Our congregation...

1.	Is spiritually vibrant	1	2	3	4
2.	Demonstrates love for the pastor and his/her family	1	2	3	4
3.	Readily shares their gifts with the rest of the congregation	1	2	3	4
4.	Places a high priority on sound biblical preaching	1	2	3	4
5.	Effectively integrates newcomers	1	2	3	4
6.	Is engaged in evangelism	1	2	3	4
7.	Is often found living their faith in their communities	1	2	3	4
8.	Has a spirit of unity	1	2	3	4
9.	Cares about each other	1	2	3	4
10	. Is supportive of the Session and pastoral leadership	1	2	3	4
11	. Ministers well to members that are hurting	1	2	3	4
12	. Uses members' gifts in worship	1	2	3	4
13	. Contains people willing and able to lead the congregation	1	2	3	4
14	. Is capable of change when and where appropriate	1	2	3	4
15	. Is connected to and prayerful about what God is doing in the global church	1	2	3	4

16. How are elders and deacons initially trained and equipped for ministry?



17. What is the Session's current practice regarding the ongoing discipleship of elders and deacons?

18. In what ways does your church participate in ecumenical activities?

19. Describe the strengths of your congregation.



20. List specific problems with which your congregation struggles.

21. List major goals that the congregation has set for itself.

22. Has there ever been disciplinary action taken against a pastor of your congregation?

Yes 🗌 No

23. Has there ever been any disciplinary action against an elder or deacon of your congregation?

Yes No



If you answered "Yes" to either 22 or 23, please explain.

24. Have you completed a mission statement, vision statement, and/or a strategic plan for your congregation?



No

If yes, Date completed _____

If yes, enter each statement or strategic plan (or attach copies if space below is limited).



Part 4: Leadership Expectations

1. What are some key character strengths a person should bring to this position?

2. What are five key gifts/skills/abilities a person should bring to this position?

3. What are the primary pastoral duties for the position? (Attach a position description)



Part 5: Church History

1. What do you consider to be the three most important events in the history of your church?

2. What do you consider to be the most interesting and challenging event in the life of your church in the last three years?



Part 6: Other Information

1. List the last three individuals who held this position

Name	Dates of Service
	to
	to
	to

2. Describe any significant factors about the church not covered in previous questions.

Statement of Acknowledgment

The EPC believes that honesty and a commitment to open communication are critical to building the body of Christ. In that spirit, please confirm your agreement to the following statements by your signatures below.

- 1. We attest that the information contained in this Church Information Form is true and complete to the best of our knowledge.
- 2. We authorize applicants for the position(s) listed herein to make inquiries regarding all statements contained in this Church Information Form.
- 3. We authorize the Office of the Stated Clerk to circulate, distribute, and otherwise share this Church Information Form with potential candidates for the position(s) listed herein.
- 4. We acknowledge the Medical Plan and Retirement Plan services offered by the EPC's Benefit Resources, Inc., exist to serve EPC churches and their staff members. We also acknowledge the EPC's Book of Order requirement that EPC churches provide medical insurance to ordained staff members through BRI as mandated by the following Acts of the General Assembly:
 - 81-04 Terms of call for any minister of member churches shall provide for participation in the denominational hospitalization and disabilities programs. (Minutes of the 1st General Assembly, 1-32)
 - 81-06 The denominational group insurance plan providing health, disability, and life coverage shall be mandatory for all ministers within member churches. (Minutes of the 1st General Assembly, 1-36)
 - 88-08 Assembly amends participatory requirements for group health insurance plan by requiring participation of all ministers on the rolls of presbyteries with the exception of:
 - 1. Missionaries laboring in cooperative agreements with mission agencies;
 - 2. Ministers laboring in institutional agencies providing their own group insurance plan;
 - 3. Ministers afforded group insurance coverage as part of retirement benefits from a previous employer;
 - Ministers without call, and ministers laboring less than 20 hours in a 4. place of ministry. (Minutes of the 8th General Assembly, 8-24)

For information about EPC benefits through BRI, see <u>www.epc.org/benefits</u>, email benefits@epc.org, or call 407-930-4267.

Clerk of Session	M	Date_5/1/2024
Search Committee Chair _	Many ADW	Date

EPC Church Information Form, March 2023 Update

2024 Covenant Community Church Budget - Rolled

Account #	Account Name	2024 Budget			
Projected Income					
4110	General Fund Receipts	\$512,420			
4243	Rental Income	\$ 30,620			
4120	Employee Retention Credit	\$ 77,831			
Sub-Total	Projected Income	\$620,871			
	Payroll				
Sub-Total	Payroll	\$267,673			
	HR Benefits				
Sub-Total	HR Benefits	\$44,923			
	HR Other				
5014	Pastor's Business Exp	\$ 10,000			
	Asst. Pastor's Business Exp	\$ 3,000			
5055	Workers Comp	\$ 3,596			
5056	Payroll Taxes	\$ 15,051			
5064	Leadership Development	\$ 1,000			
5072	Staff Appreciation	\$ 500			
5073	Recruitment/Backgrounds	\$ 500			
Sub-Total	HR Other	\$ 33,647			
	Missions				
5601	PMA / POI	\$ 7,074			
5602	Operation Christmas Child	\$ 100			
5617	Local Missions	\$ 1,000			
5622	Project Mercy	\$ 500			
5625	Alpha Clinic	\$ 500			
5628	Global Mission	\$ 1,500			
Sub-Total	Missions	\$ 10,674			
	Congregational Life				
5452	Fellowship Supplies	\$ 500			
5453	Special Events	\$ 1,500			
Sub-Total	Congregational Life	\$ 2,000			
	Adult Ministry				
5255	Classes & Conferences	\$ 1,450			
Sub-Total	Adult Ministry	\$ 1,450			

Account #	Account Name		2024 Budget		
Building & Grounds					
5111	Solar Panels	\$	8,979		
5112	PG&E	\$	2,541		
5113	Janitor & Supplies	\$	15,197		
5114	Landscaping/Pest Services	\$	11,451		
5118	Sanitary Service	\$	4,296		
5119	Alarm Service	\$	3,031		
5120	City Water	\$	3,135		
5127	General Repair	\$	19,177		
5135	* B & G Projects	\$	18,700		
Sub-Total	Building & Grounds	\$	86,507		
Administration Committee					
5151	Telephone	\$	520		
5152	Printing & Office Supplies	\$	3,000		
5154	Postage	\$	875		
5155	Payroll Fees	\$	2,000		
5157	Planning Center Online	\$	1,530		
5160	Insurance	\$	8,300		
5162	Property Tax	\$	4,300		
5163	Permits / Fees	\$	1,000		
5164	Bank Charges/Fees	\$	600		
5166	Leadership Supplies	\$	500		
5168	Copier & Riso Lease	\$	2,700		
5171	Internet / E-mail services	\$	3,520		
5175	Presbytery Meetings	\$	3,100		
5180	Right Now Media	\$	900		
Sub-Total	Administration	Ş	32,845		
Outreach & Communication					
5513	Advertising	\$	1,450		
5516	Supplies	\$	600		
5520	Hospitality Ministry	\$	150		
Sub-Total	Outreach	\$	2,200		

* 5135 B&G Projects

- Replace 2nd KT HVAC \$9,000
- Office Trailer Gutters \$2,000
- Purchase New Lawn Mower \$2,500
- Replace Office Ramp \$1,200
- Other Project \$4,000

Account #	Account Name	2024 Budget				
Nursery						
5342	Cleaning/Sanitation	\$	75			
5343	Snack	\$	75			
5344	Toy Maint/Replacement	\$	50			
Sub-Total	Nursery	\$	200			
Children's Ministry						
5312	KidsTown Curriculum	\$	1,300			
5313	KidsTown Supplies	\$	1,000			
5314	Toddler/Preschool Supplies	\$	600			
5315	Toddler/Preschool Cur	\$	700			
5316b	Events, Activities	\$	1,500			
5319b	Vacation Bible School	\$	2,000			
5322	Volunteer Training	\$	400			
Sub-Total	Children's Ministry	\$	7,500			
	Youth Ministry					
5361	Youth Contacts	\$	400			
5363b	Special Events	\$	600			
5368	Youth Night	\$	1,000			
5369	Leadership	\$	200			
5370b	Youth Mission	\$	2,150			
5374b	Camp	\$	2,150			
5364	Youth Curriculum	\$	1,000			
Sub-Total	Youth Ministry	\$	7,500			
	Worship Ministry					
5410	Honorarium (Speaker)	\$	3,600			
5411	Music	\$	1,200			
5412	Repairs	\$	500			
5414	Equipment	\$	1,500			
5417	Worship Supplies	\$	300			
5418	Sermon Series	\$	350			
5419	Special Services	\$	505			
5422	Worship Software	\$	400			
	Honorarium (Worship)	\$	1,300			
Sub-Total	Worship Ministry	\$	9,655			

Total	General Fund Expenses	\$506,774

First Northern Bank Loan					
2725/5667	Principal and Interest	\$ 92,074			
Sub-Total	FN Loan	\$ 92,074			
Total	Proposed 2023 Budget	\$598,848			