

Information for Delegates and Advisory Delegates at the 107th Annual Meeting of the Pacific Southwest Conference

**April 17, 2009
1 – 4:30 p.m.**

Lakehills Covenant Church, El Dorado Hills, CA

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Note: The Annual Report Magazine highlighting all ministries within the Pacific Southwest Conference and the Financial Reports will be distributed during on-site registration check-in.

**PACIFIC SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE
CELEBRATION 2009
April 16-18, 2009
Lakehills Covenant Church, El Dorado Hills, CA**

Thursday, April 16

9 a.m.	Registration check-in begins
10 – 4 p.m.	Business Meeting, lunch with testimonies by candidates for ordination, transfer of ordination, and commissioning, general session with speaker, Lisa Orris, ECC Director of Evangelism, followed by affinity group breakout sessions
4 – 6:45 p.m.	Break (dinner on your own – multiple options in nearby Town Center)
7 p.m.	Worship service with John Notehelfer, interim Executive Minister of Church Growth and Evangelism, preaching. Worship led by team of PSWC worship pastors (Barry Anthony, Modesto Covenant Church, Modesto, CA, leader) <i>(service open to all)</i>
Following worship	Fellowship time with dessert provided by Alpine and Mission Springs

Friday, April 17

9:30 a.m.	Registration check-in begins
10:30 a.m.	Worship led by worship team from Bayside of South Sacramento (BOSS), ministry stories, gathering of Bringing My World to Christ lists, proclamation of God's Word by John Teter, church planter of Fountain of Life Covenant Church, Long Beach, CA. <i>(service open to all)</i>
noon	Box lunch for registered delegates and advisory delegates
1 – 4:30 p.m.	107 th Annual Business Meeting led by Will Davidson, chair
4:30 – 6:45 p.m.	Break
7 p.m.	Banquet – <i>Celebrating 15 Years of PSWC Church Planting, 1994-2008</i> , with program hosted by Ray Johnston, pastor of Bayside Covenant Church and Ron Short, pastor of Lakehills Covenant Church --- 15 year church planting history recap, tabletalk, speaker, Dave Olson, current ECC Director of Church Planting, and nominee for Executive Director of Church Growth and Evangelism, and church planter consecration for church planters starting since May 1, 2008. – <i>(Reservations for banquet were required by April 1.)</i>

Saturday, April 18

8:30 a.m.	Breakfast – Hispanic Gathering
9 a.m.	Registration check-in
9:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Leadership Equipping Events (for preregistered attendees, box lunch is included)
4 p.m.	BBQ dinner (Reservations were required by April 1.)

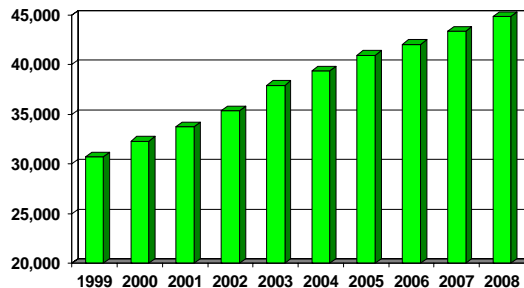
NOTE: In addition to the activities listed above, there are some special interest groups meeting at varied times. Timing and location will be communicated by the leader of your group separately.

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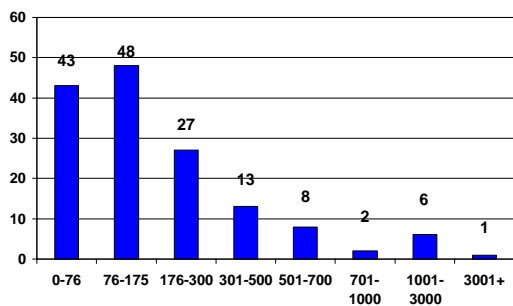
JUST THE FACTS!

- 151 churches as of 3/09
- 89 churches in the North; 62 in the South (South includes Arizona and Hawaii)
- 44,856 worship attendees –11/08 (1 out of 4 Covenanters worship in the PSWC)
- 11 PSWC churches had 50% (22574) of the total worship attendance
- 59 (39%) of the 151 churches are churches new (planted or adopted) in the PSWC since 1/2000 (9 year period)
- 82 (54%) of the 151 churches are new (planted or adopted) in the PSWC since 1/1994 (15 year period)

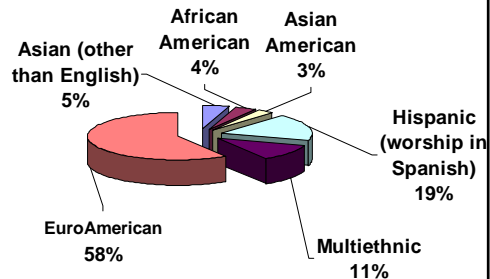
Total Worship Attendance 1999 - 2008 (46% increase)



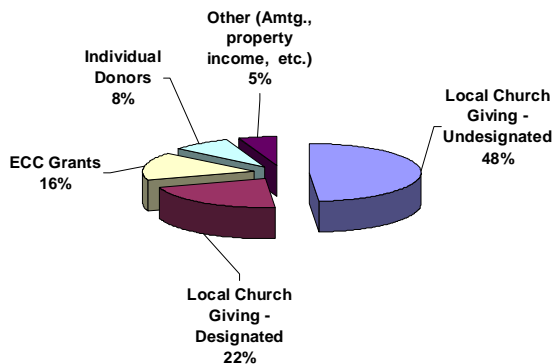
of PSWC Churches by Size, 11/08 (for 148 churches reporting attendance)



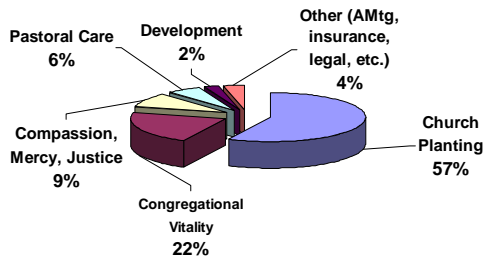
Predominant Ethnicity of PSWC Churches in 3/2009



Distribution of Income Sources for 2008



Distribution of PSWC Expenses 2008



107th ANNUAL MEETING - PACIFIC SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

Friday, April 17, 2009

1 – 4:30 p.m.

PROPOSED AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Opening thoughts/prayer
- III. Organizing for decision making
 - A. Appointment of parliamentarian
 - B. Appointment of committees
 - 1. Credentials Chair
 - 2. Sergeant at Arms Chair
 - 3. Tellers Chair
 - C. Report of the Credentials Committee
 - D. Report from the Standing Rules Committee
 - E. Approval of agenda
 - F. Approval of consent calendar (*all items noted in italics*)

- G. *Seating of advisory delegates*

Motion: The Executive Board moves the seating of the following advisory delegates: registered representatives from certified fellowship groups in the PSWC, registered representatives from churches applying for membership in 2009, pastors registering as advisory delegates who are members of the Covenant ministerium in good standing who are not delegates, and representatives of The Evangelical Covenant Church.

- H. *Approval of minutes of Annual Meeting 2008*

Motion: The Executive Board recommends approval of the minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting held on April 19, 2008, at South Bay Community Church, Fremont, California

- IV. *Reports from the Superintendent, PSWC staff, Commissions, Institutions, and Church Plants on Covenant Agreement*

Motion: The Executive Board moves the acceptance of the Report of the Superintendent as distributed and specific ministry areas, institutions, and churches on Covenant Agreement as given in the printed Annual Report.

- V. Update from the Evangelical Covenant Church – John Notehelfer, Interim Executive Minister of Church Growth and Evangelism

- VI. Fulfilling our mission

- A. Recommendation on churches applying for membership in The Evangelical Covenant Church
 - B. Ministry stories from church planting
 - C. Ministry stories from Veritas
 - D. Report from Camps and Conference Centers

- VII. Resourcing for mission

- A. Treasurer's Report
 - B. Update on Funding Sources
 - C. Ministry stories from Covenant Trust Company
 - D. Report of Nominations Commission
 - 1. Presentation of ballot for Executive Board
 - 2. Election
 - 3. *Report on Appointment of Commission Members - The Executive Board reports to the 107th Annual Meeting the appointment of Commission members as listed in the report distributed.*

E. *Approval of Standing Commissions*

Motion: The Executive Board recommends to the 107th Annual Meeting the approval of Standing Commissions for 2009-2014 as follows: Church Planting, Congregational Vitality (merger of Church Development and Christian Formation),, Compassion, Mercy, and Justice (merger of Church Outreach and Multiethnic Commissions), Resource Development, and Women Ministries.

VIII. Visioning for mission - Presentation – “Who is My Neighbor?”

IX. Advancing the Mission

- A. Funding mission priorities
- B. Proposed budget for 2010/Action

X. Partnering in Mission – Covenant Enabling Residence/Escalon

XI. Sending forth

- A. Election results/prayer of consecration
- B. *Report on Conference delegates to Covenant Annual Meeting – The Executive Board reports the appointment of Evelyn M.R. Johnson, Wayne Carlson, and Max Villalobos as delegates for the Pacific Southwest Conference to the 124th Annual Meeting of The Evangelical Covenant Church in June 2009 and Meagan Gillan as alternate.*

C. *Recommendation regarding approval of 2009 Annual Meeting minutes:*

Motion: The Executive Board recommends that the officers of The Executive Board approve the minutes of the 107th Annual Meeting for distribution to member churches.

- D. Expressions of Appreciation
- E. Date and location of next year’s meeting

XII. Adjournment

NOTE: A consent calendar will be used to facilitate handling of routine matters of business. All items noted in italics have actual motions printed in this final agenda. The consent items will be approved as one motion without discussion unless a delegate requests that one or more items be taken off the consent calendar. Any item taken off the consent calendar will be handled separately in the order it appears on the agenda.

PROPOSED STANDING RULES OF ORDER
107th PACIFIC SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING

Governing Documents - The Conference-adopted written authorities that govern the Annual Meeting of the Pacific Southwest Conference are the Conference Constitution and Bylaws and the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, currently the 10th Edition (2000). The Conference Annual Meeting is additionally governed by applicable rules of the Evangelical Covenant Church and the California Non-profit Corporation Code.

Standing Rules – Robert's provides, however, that a given meeting may establish its own standing rules of order to meet its specific needs. These standing rules require the consent of two-thirds of those voting and, when approved, supplement the written authorities noted above. The general provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws and Robert's apply in every situation not specifically addressed by the standing rules of order. The following standing rules are recommended by the Executive Board for the 2008 Pacific Southwest Conference Annual Meeting:

1. Obtaining the floor – Only persons wearing appropriate delegate, advisory delegate, honorary delegate or resource person badges may be present on the floor of the Annual Meeting and request speaking privileges. With the exception of points of order, points of personal privilege, and other such items which require urgent attention, only those persons who approach a microphone shall be recognized by the Chair.
2. Time limits
 - a. Debate of a main motion, including its subsidiary motions, will be limited to fifteen (15) minutes.
 - b. No speech in debate may exceed three (3) minutes, though a delegate desiring to extend remarks may seek the permission of the meeting to do so. Pro and con speeches will be alternated.
 - c. Time limits may be extended for a specific period by a two-thirds majority vote.
3. Submission of Motions – All main motions and amendments shall be submitted in writing to the secretary. Motions arising from the floor during the course of the approved agenda are in order as long as they pertain directly to the business at hand. All other motions must be prepared in writing and submitted in advance to the Chair who may or may not ask permission of the Meeting to add them to the agenda in the order to be received.
4. Nominations from the Floor - Persons placing names in nomination shall obtain the prior permission of the nominee and shall so state at the time of nomination. A brief biography, similar to that provided by the Nominations Commission for nominated candidate(s), may be presented to the Chair prior to the vote, and read to the delegates at the discretion of the Chair.
5. Honorary delegates and resource persons - Honorary delegates shall have the privilege of voice but not vote in the assembly. The Chair may recognize resource persons designated by the Executive Board to make reports or address delegate questions.
6. Non-Business Agenda Items - With respect to the adopted agenda, the Chair has discretion to revise the order of agenda items at appropriate times to accommodate scheduling needs and the inclusion of non-business ministry stories from our mission field.
7. Adjournment - The 107th Annual Meeting will adjourn no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 17, 2009.

**Minutes of the 106th Annual Meeting of The Pacific Southwest Conference (referred by as PSWC),
South Bay Community Church, Fremont, CA
Saturday, April 19, 2008**

- I. Call to Order – Will Davidson, Chair of the PSWC Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.
- II. Opening thoughts/prayer – The chair welcomed participants with general comments regarding the purpose of the meeting. Vice Chair, Valerie McCann Woodson, offered prayer.
- III. Organizing for decision making – The chair announced appointments for specific roles during the meeting as follows:
 - A. Appointment of parliamentarian – Dave Almquist, Hope Center, Pleasant Hill, CA
 - B. Appointment of committees
 1. Credentials Chair – Andrea Lee, New Life Covenant, San Jose, CA
 2. Sergeant at Arms Chair – Alex Wright, University Covenant, Davis, CA
 3. Tellers Chair – Dan Boyce, San Andreas Community Covenant, San Andreas, CA
 - C. Report of the Credentials Committee – Andrea Lee, Chair of the Credential Committee, gave the credentials report and made a motion to certify these delegates and those who would subsequently register as the official roster of delegates of the 106th Annual meeting of the Pacific Southwest Conference. **MP**
 - 99 delegates representing 56 member churches
 - 4 delegates representing 4 conference institutions
 - 27 delegates representing Executive Board/7 commissions/PSWC staff
 - 1 parliamentarian

131 total delegates certified for voting

3 advisory delegates representing 3 non-member churches

5 advisory delegates that are members of the Ministerium in good standing

85 general conferees

224 total registrants for the Annual Meeting
 - D. Report from the Standing Rules Committee – The vice chair presented the proposed Standing Rules for the 106th Annual Meeting. Motion: The Executive Board recommends the adoption of the Standing Rules for the 106th Annual Meeting as presented in the written document. **MP**
 - E. Approval of agenda – The chair called attention to the agenda distributed upon registration check-in noting the motions printed in the consent calendar. **MSP**
 - F. Approval of consent calendar – The chair drew attention to the consent items printed in the agenda and explained the use of the consent agenda noting that the items listed in italics will be approved in total unless someone requests an item(s) be taken off the consent agenda. The floor was opened to any requests for removal of consent item(s). There was no request. **MSP** to approve the consent agenda as printed (noted in these minutes in italics).
 - G. *Seating of advisory delegates - Motion: The Executive Board moves the seating of the following advisory delegates: registered representatives from certified fellowship groups in the PSWC, registered representatives from churches applying for membership in 2008, pastors registering as advisory delegates who are members of the Covenant ministerium in good standing who are not delegates, and representatives of The Evangelical Covenant Church.*
 - H. *Approval of minutes of Annual Meeting 2007- Motion: The Executive Board recommends approval of the minutes of the 2007 Annual Meeting held on April 21, 2007, at Simi Valley Evangelical Covenant Church, Simi Valley, California .*
- IV. *Reports from the Superintendent, PSWC staff, Commissions, Institutions, and Church Plants on Covenant Agreement - Motion: The Executive Board moves the acceptance of reports from the Superintendent and PSWC ministries as distributed.*
- V. Update from the Evangelical Covenant Church – Doreen Olson, Executive Minister of the Christian Formation of the Evangelical Covenant Church, gave greetings from the denomination and presented a general overview of ECC ministries with a visual presentation including promotion for CHIC 2009.
- VI. Fulfilling our mission
 - A. Recommendation on churches to be removed from roster of member churches in The Evangelical Covenant Church – The chair referred to information in the delegate packet regarding churches closing and disbanded.

Motion: The Executive Board recommends to the 106th Annual Meeting that the following churches be reported to the Covenant Executive Board for removal from the roster of member churches of The Evangelical Covenant Church: Canvas Covenant Church, Santa Ana (closed), Crown Valley Covenant Church, Laguna Niguel (closed), Esperanza Covenant Church, Sacramento (disbanded), New Covenant Christian Church, Sacramento (disbanded) Rivers Edge Covenant Church, Brentwood (closed), and Grace Covenant of Compton (known as Sunago Grace) (closed). **MP**. A prayer of thanksgiving was offered for the ministry of these churches during their lifetime.

- B. Recommendation on churches applying for membership in The Evangelical Covenant Church – Wayne Carlson, Director of Church Planting, introduced representatives of the churches applying for membership in the Evangelical Covenant Church with motions approved as follows:
1. The Executive Board moves that Abundant Life Covenant Bible Church of Pasadena, California, be recommended to the Covenant Executive Board for membership in The Evangelical Covenant Church. **MP**
 2. The Executive Board moves that Bayside Covenant Church of Lincoln, Lincoln, California, be recommended to the Covenant Executive Board for membership in The Evangelical Covenant Church. **MP**
 3. The Executive Board moves that Bayside Covenant Church of West Roseville, Roseville, California, be recommended to the Covenant Executive Board of membership in The Evangelical Covenant Church. **MP**
 4. The Executive Board moves that Iglesia del Pacto Evangelico Maranatha of Richmond, California, be recommended to the Covenant Executive Board for membership in The Evangelical Covenant Church. **MP**
 5. The Executive Board moves that New Song LA of Los Angeles, California, be recommended to the Covenant Executive Board for membership in The Evangelical Covenant Church. **MP**
 6. The Executive Board moves that New Song North Orange County of Fullerton, California, be recommended to the Covenant Executive Board for membership in The Evangelical Covenant Church. **MP**

Following the approval of all motions, Wayne Carlson and Anita Eyer, Director of Conference Ministries, presented each church with a gift bag. A prayer of thanksgiving was offered for these new churches.

- C. Recognition of new partner churches – Wayne Carlson, Director of Church Planting, presented plaques to new partner churches for church plants since the last Annual Meeting – New Life Covenant/San Jose, Peninsula Covenant Church/Redwood City, Hilmar Covenant Church, Dolores Park Covenant Church/San Francisco, Hope Center Covenant Church/Pleasant Hill, and Bayside Family of Churches.
- D. Bringing My World to Christ emphasis – Wayne Carlson introduced John Withem, church planter of Bayside of Woodland, who interviewed a man from their congregation who committed his life to Christ recently. Alan Forsman, PSWC Leadership and Congregational Coach, introduced the ingathering of Bringing My World to Christ prayer lists and offered a prayer of thanksgiving after the lists were gathered.
- E. Treasurer’s Report – John Engstrom, Treasurer of the Executive Board, and Kimberly Latigue, Staff Accountant, shared a visual presentation of the Treasurer’s Report. They reported a clean audit opinion was given by Capin Crouse. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the report as presented.

VII. Resourcing for mission

A. Nomination for Superintendent

1. Presentation of ballot – Steve Wong, member of the PSWC Executive Board, commented on the review and nomination process; he presented the name of Evelyn M.R. Johnson for reelection to a third term as Superintendent.
2. Election - Dan Boyce, Chair of the Tellers, gave instructions for voting.

B. Report of Nominations Commission

1. Presentation of ballot – Pat Stark, Chair of the Nominations Commission, presented the ballot for the Executive Board.
2. Election – Dan Boyce, Chair of the Tellers, provided instructions for voting.
3. *Report on Appointment of Commission Members. The Executive Board approved the appointment of Commission members as listed in the report distributed.*

C. Report from Camps and Conference Centers – Alan Forsman, staff liaison to the Camping Commission South, introduced the video sharing an update and greetings from John Gehring, Executive Director of Alpine Camp and Conference Center. The chair introduced Bryan Hayes, Executive Director of Mission Springs Camp and Conference Center, who gave a general update, particularly citing progress with the bridge construction project.

D. Report from Commissions – The Chair noted that the report from Commissions is a combination of that which is printed in the Annual Report magazine and the displays in the center of the Multipurpose Room which delegates and advisory delegates are encouraged to visit during lunch.

VIII. Visioning for mission – The chair announced a recess of the session to a Committee on the Whole for the Vision 2020 Presentation and Dialogue. Superintendent Evelyn Johnson gave a general introduction to the format of the session.

Greg Yee, Associate Superintendent, shared a visual presentation of the current and future context. Following the presentation, Alan Forsman guided participants into small group discussions with ultimate result of each individual completing in writing response to the following questions: How can the conference best support the mission and momentum of your local church during the next decade? Name at least one opportunity you believe the PSWC will have between now and the year 2020. Name at least one challenge you believe the PSWC will face between now and the year 2020. Compilation of the information will be used for future planning.

IX. Advancing the Mission

- A. Update on The Mosaic Center – Associate Superintendent Yee provided a general update on the progress in forming the Board of The Mosaic Center, the subsidiary nonprofit corporation given authority for formation at the Annual Meeting 2007, and introduced Mae Cannon, Chair of The Mosaic Center Board. Mae provided a general overall of The Mosaic Center priorities.
- B. Update on Fund Drive – Superintendent Johnson gave a general update on \$1.5 million in commitments to date and upcoming emphasis on prayer and visioning for mission in the coming year.
- C. Proposed budget for 2009 –Superintendent Johnson and John Engstrom gave a visual presentation of the proposed 2009 budget. Motion: The Executive Board moves the adoption of the proposed 2009 budget with income of \$2,673,883 and expenses of \$2,673,833 of which \$290,000 of the total amount of expenses and income is contingent upon real estate transactions being completed in Phoenix, Arizona, and Laguna Niguel, California. **MP**

XI. Sending forth

- A. Election results/prayer of consecration – The Chair of the Teller reported the result of the election as follows: Evelyn M.R. Johnson elected to a four-year term as Superintendent and persons elected to the Executive Board including Christopher Hushaw, Cornerstone Covenant/La Quinta, CA, Joy Champion, Modesto Covenant Church/Modesto, CA, and Mario DiazCeballos, Vision Covenant Church/Azusa, CA. The Chair, Will Davidson, declared each of these persons elected. Prayers of thanksgiving and blessing were offered for the Superintendent and newly elected Executive Board members.
- B. *Report on Conference delegates to Covenant Annual Meeting – The Executive Board reports the appointment of Evelyn M.R. Johnson, Valerie McCann Woodson and Cameron Wu Cardona as delegates for the Pacific Southwest Conference to the 123rd Annual Meeting of The Evangelical Covenant Church in June 2008.*
- C. *Recommendation regarding approval of 2007 Annual Meeting minutes - The Executive Board recommends that the officers of The Executive Board approve the minutes of the 106th Annual Meeting for distribution to member churches.*
- D. Expressions of Appreciation – Valerie McCann Woodson expressed appreciation on behalf of The Pacific Southwest Conference as follows: We, the Executive Board of the Pacific Southwest Conference, would like to express our appreciation and thanks to the hard working staff of the Pacific Southwest Conference Office for their dedication and preparation in the planning and execution of another well-run annual meeting. We also express our thanks to Pastor Stanley Long and our wonderful host church, South Bay Community Church, for their welcoming spirit, beautiful smiles and excellent hospitality. Thank you to all who helped to make the 2008 celebration possible.
- E. Date and location of next year’s meeting – April 16-18, 2009, Lakehills Community Covenant Church, El Dorado Hills, CA. – Pastor Ron Short from Lakehills Community Covenant Church extended an invitation to the conference to attend the 2009 Celebration in El Dorado Hills.

VI. Adjournment – A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Mario DiazCeballos, Secretary

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

"On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus."Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?" He answered: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live." But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Luke 10:25-29

Our theme this year, "Who is my neighbor?" is a question that stimulates reflection on the love Jesus describes as He responds to the lawyer in the parable of the Good Samaritan. This love does not allow definition of neighbor in the more traditional way of being someone living close or someone like oneself. In reality, this type of love does not allow us to say in advance who the neighbor is. Rather, we discover our neighbor as we grow in loving God and loving as God loves. Loving our neighbor will follow when we give all of our heart to the Lord God and live in obedience to Him, seeing with His eyes and loving with His heart.

The mission of the Pacific Southwest Conference (hereinafter referred to as PSWC) is to discern God's Kingdom building movement and align our resources to support opportunities for planting, adopting, and developing healthy, reproducing congregations. At the core of this mission is "loving God and loving neighbor." Our vision is to be a mosaic of churches working interdependently to reach the unchurched and equip believers to transform lives and communities. Being a mosaic, working interdependently, reaching the unchurched, equipping believers--these are all concepts developed through "loving God and loving neighbor."

In November 2008, 44,856 worship attendees in 151 PSWC churches were on this wondrous journey of discovering their neighbors in one of the most culturally diverse mission regions of The Evangelical Covenant Church in the United States and Canada. Imagine --- if each of these 44,000+ worship attendees discovered 25 neighbors each month (less than 1 a day), there is the potential of over 1 million persons experiencing God's love personally through us within 30 days. That's action through which God would transform lives and communities beyond our imagination! Yet, this can only occur if each worshipper is passionately loving God, seeing others with God's eyes, and sharing His heart with them.

Jesus' summary statement to the lawyer of "go and do likewise" is a call to authenticate "hearing" by "doing." We pray this "doing" rooted in "hearing" will characterize the PSWC ministries. During 2008, we have witnessed evidence of this through:

- Four new church plant projects launched to reach new populations in San Jose, Oakland, Sacramento, and Pittsburg/Antioch
- Expanded influence of 26 church plants being funded through appropriations
- Church leaders and pastors participating in Veritas to identify their current state of health and pursue pathways to further Christ's mission
- Churches in pastoral transition discovering a new identity and envisioning a next phase of ministry
- Congregations initiating and expanding local, regional, and global outreach ministry to reflect God's heart for the "least of these"
- Participants in J2M trips and the J2M2 summer intensive increasing their awareness and understanding of cultures other than their own
- Guests at the two camps and conference centers, Mission Springs and Alpine, experiencing a new or renewed relationship with God and others
- Women cultivating old and new relationships with God and others at the five annual women's retreats
- Pastors and staff ministers gathered in clusters, retreats, and the annual Celebration

PROGRESS REPORT, 2006-2008

In January 2005 the PSWC staff, Executive Board, and representatives of the ten Commissions and other related organizations met for a visioning retreat, Futuring 2010. Input gained during that session led to stating Strategic Focus Areas for 2006-2010. Two-thirds of that time period has passed. Learning the art of adaptation has been key to leading in this changing context. A statement of the five strategic focus areas and related update reports follows for 2006-2008.

Mission Expansion – Intentionally plant churches in partnership with existing churches and other organizations.

During the time period, 2006-2008, the PSWC launched sixteen church plants. The goal of planting in partnership with existing churches and other organizations was met in all except two of these projects. Sixteen churches served either as partner or participating churches to fund and support these plants. In addition to planting within this mission region, PSWC churches including Newsong/Irvine, Nueva Esperanza/Simi Valley, and Comunidad Familiar Cristiana Covenant/Redwood City have launched churches in countries outside the USA and Canada. Multiplication is intentional for both existing churches and church plants. Six of the churches serving as partners to plant other churches, regionally and globally, were churches planted since 1994.

Breakout Ministries – Coach pastors and lay leaders to envision and guide development of healthy, reproducing churches.

The PSWC provided equipping events and coaching for church chairs and core leadership teams during 2006 and 2007. Two years ago the Department of Church Growth and Evangelism of The Evangelical Covenant Church (hereinafter referred to as ECC) initiated an emphasis on congregational vitality centered around a core seminar, Veritas. This movement was rooted in concern for the slow erosion of worship attendance in the existing base of churches denominationally. Despite annual total worship attendance increases in our own region for over 15 years, the base of churches existing prior to 1994 was slowing eroding. During the last ten years, November 1999 to November 2008, the existing churches established prior to 1994 had decreased 12% in worship attendance.

The initial Veritas seminar in the PSWC was held in October 2007. Since that time, there have been five additional Veritas seminars in regional clusters of the PSWC and four Veritas seminars in individual churches. Forty-seven churches have participated in these seminars led by either John Wenrich of the ECC or Alan Forsman, PSWC Leadership and Congregational Coach. The PSWC network of vitality coaches has provided two follow-up visits funded by the PSWC for each participating church. Some coaches are being contracted by the local church for continued involvement.

In response to the refocusing of services to assist churches in pursuing congregational vitality, the prior commissions for Church Development and Christian Formation merged in November 2008 to be the Commission on Congregational Vitality. Their stated mission is “to come alongside individuals and congregations helping them to commit to a process of spiritual formation which will enable them to develop servant leaders and discern strategic direction resulting in healthy missional ministries.”

The PSWC staff also provides coaching for churches in transition periods related to change in lead pastors. This coaching usually precedes and continues during the pastoral search process to assist the church in managing the transition time effectively and preparing for its next phase of ministry with new leadership. During the time period of 2006-2008, thirty-two churches have received transition coaching services through Alan Forsman, Greg Yee, Associate Superintendent, and myself. Twenty of these churches have new lead pastors with twelve churches yet in the transition period as of March 15, 2009.

Leader Formation – Call forth, equip, and release emerging leaders and current leaders in church plants and existing churches.

Both individual and group processes have supported leader formation in recent years. Two Getting to Great projects (quarterly retreats over a 12+ month time period plus monthly coaching) led by Alan Forsman and Doug Stevens, PSWC contracted coach, served seven lead pastors and four pastoral staff teams from 2006 to 2008. Approximately 500 persons participated in annual Leadership Equipping sessions at the last three PSWC Celebrations. Regular coaching was provided to church planters in their first three years by Wayne Carlson, Director of Church Planting, Walter Contreras, Director of Outreach and Hispanic Church Planting, and Greg Yee. Periodic check-in visits occur with church planters who are beyond the official Covenant Agreement time. Pastor mentoring/coaching has been provided by all leadership staff persons. Doug Stevens and David Nystrom, PSWC contracted preacher/teacher, provided leadership for periodic Critical Concerns seminars to equip pastors and staff ministers in addressing relevant societal issues biblically. Since January 2005, fourteen Journey to Mosaic trips assisted 362 pastors and lay persons in increasing awareness and understanding of cultures other than their own. Included among the participants have been PSWC staff and Executive Board members seeking to better understand the context in which they are called to lead as well as PSWC church planters for whom J2M is now a required experience. A pilot J2M mission trip was led with youth from Valley Hi Covenant Church. Fifteen young adults participated in two Journey to Mosaic Squared summer intensives focused on equipping for ministry within a multiethnic, urban context.

Immigrant and Multicultural Ministries – Develop immigrant, ethnic, and multiethnic/multicultural ministries reflecting God’s concern for justice.

Since January 2006, twenty-three churches were added to the PSWC roster of churches. Ten of the sixteen church plants and seven of the adopted churches serve a specific ethnic group other than Euro American or are intentionally multiethnic (no one ethnicity 80% or more). The most rapid attendance growth in specific ethnic/multiethnic churches has been in those serving the Latino culture. The PSWC churches with worship in Spanish increased 35% in attendance from November 2005 to November 2008. This increase reflects the demographic shifts in this mission region. If PSWC Covenant churches as the Body of Christ are to reflect the changing demographics of this region, we will need to take bold steps toward developing churches to serve these neighbors.

Compassion and Justice Ministries – Resource churches in planning and implementing sustainable community transformation ministries.

There is increasing evidence of PSWC Covenanters “loving at the fringes” as they choose to live and serve with people different from themselves. Many new ministries have been initiated by local churches to connect with the needs of the unserved and underserved in their communities and beyond. The Church Outreach Commission sponsored two “externally focused church” workshops in 2006 and 2007 to encourage and assist pastors and church leaders in clarifying their vision for community outreach and exploring “how tos.” Annually, a group of PSWC Covenanters have joined with other Covenanters to attend the Hispanic Prayer Breakfast and engage in advocacy training sponsored by Esperanza USA in Washington, D.C. Churches Planting Ministries grants co-funded by the PSWC and Covenant Ministries of Benevolence provided monies for initiating and expanding community outreach ministries. Faith-in-Action grants have been funded by Women Ministries. Women Ministries has also continued and strengthened the services of AVA (Advocacy for Victims of Abuse) to address needs of victims of abuse and equip pastors and other leaders to minister effectively to these victims.

In 2007, the PSWC Annual Meeting approved the formation of a separate non-profit organization, The Mosaic Center, to further develop immigrant and multicultural ministries and compassion and justice ministries. The Mosaic Center Board appointed by the Executive Board is giving shape to this new entity. Parallel to this development has been a dialogue related to the role of the Multiethnic Commission and Church Outreach Commission and their relationship to the new denominational Department of Compassion, Mercy, and Justice. In March 2009, the Executive Board approved a merger of these two commissions. The new Commission on Compassion, Mercy, and Justice will link to the services of the denominational department with the same name and continue to assess needs within the PSWC and discern strategic direction for enhancing ministries to reflect God's concern for justice.

OUR STRATEGY

We seek to facilitate connections among pastors and congregations within geographic clusters and develop partnerships with and among congregations, conference centers, and Covenant institutions in our region to advance Christ's mission.

Gary Walter, the new ECC president, has used the phrase, "In It Together," to emphasize the importance of partnership as Covenant leaders and churches. Gary states, "we are in it together to live with God and for God; to pursue Christ and to pursue Christ's priorities in the world." This phrase captures the spirit of early Covenanters who called themselves Mission Friends. The phrase emphasizes our own high value of pursuing connections among pastors and congregations.

Throughout the past three years, we have encouraged connections through face-to-face interactions such as involvement in pastor clusters and retreats, affinity retreats for pastors and staff ministers, cluster events for local church financial leaders, the annual Celebration, miniCelebrations, J2M trips, and both weekend retreats and summer camp experiences at Mission Springs and Alpine. Our written communications under the leadership of Anita Eyer, Director of Conference Ministries, included the monthly Quick Connect distributed via e-mail and donor receipts as well as updated news and events on our web-site, pswc.org.

Connections with the PSWC pastoral community of 397 Covenant credentialed persons is a priority in the midst of these activities. The Pastor Care and Support Commission has worked collaboratively with the Ministerial Association Executive Team to provide a wide range of support ministries including retreats, spiritual direction ministry, an annual gathering, and oversight of the credentialing process. An overview of the status of changes in our listing of credentialed pastors is given as Attachment A to this report.

A number of ECC institutions and services exist within our region's boundaries. Our partnership with each listed below enables expansion of our ministries in specialized areas:

- CHET (The Hispanic Center for Theological Studies) based in Bell Gardens, CA, as it equips pastors and lay leaders for ministry in Spanish-speaking churches,
- Covenant Retirement Communities (Covenant Village/Turlock, Mt. Miguel Covenant Village/Spring Valley, and Samarkand/Santa Barbara,) as they expand their services to older adults through PSWC churches,
- Covenant Enabling Residence, a new project in Escalon with Covenant Benevolent Ministries, as they develop a facility to serve the needs of developmentally disabled adults, and
- Covenant Trust Company as their representatives provide financial planning seminars in local churches and assist individuals of all ages to be good stewards of their resources.

As I reflect on progress in the five strategic focus areas during the past three years and adherence to the intended strategy, I affirm the reality of God's movement taking us places we didn't imagine in January 2005 at Futuring 2010. I am deeply grateful for pastors and leaders of PSWC congregations, the PSWC staff and Executive Board, and other governance groups who have been intentional in charting pathways to further Christ's mission, but have allowed the Holy Spirit to guide and direct the journey which has included many detours along the way. To God be the glory! Great things He has done!

THE FUTURE CHALLENGE

Over 200 delegates, advisory delegates and general conferees at the 106th PSWC Annual Meeting in April 2008 engaged in a "Vision 2020" dialogue. The three key questions discussed and a summary of the most common themes in the written responses follows:

What are ways the conference can support the mission and momentum of your local church during the next decade?

- Resourcing – pastor support, leader development, evangelism training, assistance to get involved in church planting, and initiating compassion and justice ministries
- Communication/connections – facilitate connections and working together in clusters (pastors and lay persons)
- Visioning for mission – help existing churches “look outward to be on a mission, not just supporting mission” and take risks to change

What do you believe are the key opportunities in the PSWC between now and 2020?

- Church outreach (compassion and justice focus) – being aggressive in justice ministries, partnering for impact locally, and supporting Hispanic ministries
- Maintaining momentum in church planting – planting churches in Nevada and Utah, being more aggressive in planning and growing Hispanic churches using new models
- Multiethnic ministries – bridging the gap between Euro American and Hispanic communities, addressing immigration issues, raising up and training young leaders for multiethnic ministry, and equipping people to live in the mosaic
- Reaching the next generation – investing in children and youth ministries and being intentional in calling forth and training leaders among this generation

What do you believe are the major challenges for the PSWC between now and 2020?

- Demographic shifts with increasing multiethnicity – challenge of language barriers, learning to be cross cultural, addressing class issues
- Stimulating missional focus among older churches – being biblically focused and flexible in managing change
- Maintaining connections with increasing size and diversity – assess size of the conference and adequacy of number of conference staff
- Funding to support conference ministries – need for increased financial resources to support different models of ethnic churches, potential of less financial resources with diminished emphasis on sacrificial giving, and decreasing generosity

These responses affirmed the strategic directions that were being pursued and provided valuable input for adaptations and new directions. Clarity and focus have been predominant themes as the staff and Executive Board continued the dialogue during the past year. This clarity and focus has become critical

with the current economic uncertainty and an increased sense of scarcity rather than plenty. We must focus on what is important NOW and for future generations. The PSWC leadership staff and Executive Board are navigating the troubled waters of the unstable economic environment and making adjustments in the 2009 expense budget and projections for 2010. We are deeply thankful for the faithful mission giving of PSWC churches, both in unrestricted and restricted categories. Yet, we acknowledge the financial pressures locally will potentially affect our overall income as a conference. Expense cutback decisions to date have been made with intentionality to avoid lessening emphasis on three critical mission priorities: maintaining momentum in church planting, strengthening congregational vitality, and equipping persons to live and lead in the mosaic. I am grateful for the gracious spirit and the “we’ll make this work” attitude of the PSWC staff as we have made needed adjustments. We are all deeply thankful for God’s provision of Dan Melgren as PSWC Director of Finance and Operations to assist with our overall financial management in this challenging time.

Our strategy will continue to focus on facilitating connections among our pastors and congregations for purpose of furthering these mission priorities. As we think creatively together, new partnership models will emerge. We as your staff will seek personally to be even more intentional in asking the question, “Who is my neighbor?” and encouraging you to ask that same question. Who is the person with whom your journey may intersect that is a neighbor God wants you to see as He sees and love as He loves?

Be encouraged as you reflect on the question, “Who is my neighbor?” Yet, as you discover your neighbor, be aware of the temptation to justify why you are not showing love to the person. Be challenged to expand what may be a limited definition of neighbor as you interact with a diverse population of needs and experiences. Be intentional in learning of others’ needs and discerning how you can share God’s love in a meaningful way. And, be open to learning from and growing with your neighbor.

A PERSONAL UPDATE

Within ten days of last year’s Celebration, my husband Phil had emergency hip revision surgery to replace the hip replacement completed over eleven years ago. The crisis emerged from a final break in the hip after a slow process of bone deterioration of which we were unaware. After thirty-five days of hospitalization and three months of home care with intense physical therapy, we resumed a somewhat normal life in September. By November, six months following the surgery, we had adjusted to what we believed was a long-term status for Phil using a walker with limited “at home” activities. But, God’s healing power surpassed our imaginations! Today, Phil is walking 95% of the time with a cane and has returned to many of his normal activities. Praise God! We are deeply grateful for our family and close friends at a distance, the PSWC staff, Executive Board, and many from the PSWC churches who have supported us in various ways during this time. We have known the rich blessing of God’s people praying! Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Evelyn Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Evelyn M.R. Johnson

Changes to Pastor/Staff Minister Roster during 2008/early 2009 to 3/15

Lead Pastors leaving positions

Robert Anderson – Valley Hi Covenant Church,
Sacramento
Eric Bain – Sanctuary Covenant Church, Sacramento
Charles Barker – Pasadena Covenant Church, Pasadena
Doug Grimes – Community Covenant of Goleta,
Santa Barbara
William Kerr – Westside Covenant Church,
West Sacramento
John Lindberg – Eagle Rock Covenant Church,
Los Angeles
Charles “Bud” Locke – River Life Covenant Church,
Sacramento
Alberto Ruiz – Iglesia del Pacto Evangélico,
San Francisco
Todd Spitzer – Dolores Park Church, San Francisco
John Strong – Redwood Covenant Church, Santa Rosa
Michael White – Stockton Covenant Church, Stockton

Credentialed Staff Ministers leaving positions

Tony Collins – Hillside Covenant Church, Walnut Creek
Dan Davis – Bayside Covenant Church, Granite Bay
Devin Eckhardt – Bayside Covenant Church,
Granite Bay
Brian Esola – Bayside of Central Roseville, Roseville
Bryant Garcia – Bayside of South Sacramento,
Sacramento
Joseph Handley – Rolling Hills Covenant Church,
Rolling Hills Estates
Brian Johnson – Kingsburg Covenant Church, Kingsburg
Don Lee – Newsong Community Church, Irvine
Bill MacPhee – Rolling Hills Covenant Church,
Rolling Hills Estates
Matt Mills – Ocean Hills Covenant Church,
Santa Barbara
Jan Monsen – College Center Covenant Church,
San Diego
Matt Nightingale – Peninsula Covenant Church,
Redwood City
Rob Schulze – Great Exchange Covenant Church,
Sunnyvale
Scott Shaull – Bayside Covenant Church, Granite Bay
Joseph Taylor – Korean Covenant Church, Los Angeles
Tracy Trautman – Newsong Community Church, Irvine
Chris White – Hope Covenant Church, Chandler, AZ
Chris Williams – Escalon Covenant Church, Escalon

Church Planters concluding service

Jeff Budd – Reliance Covenant Church, San Jose
Gabriel Quiroga – Camino de Vida Covenant Church,
Tucson, AZ

Church Planters starting

Bobby Lee – Convergence Covenant Church, Oakland
Fil Nesta – Nueva Esperanza Covenant Church, Antioch
Andy Fitzgerald – The Bridge Community Church,
San Jose
Craig Sweeney – Bayside of Citrus Heights,
Citrus Heights

Lead Pastors installed

January 2008 – Matt Marzluft – Village Covenant
Church, Azusa
February 2008 – Aaron Gonzenbach, Crossroads
Covenant Church, Concord
February 2008 – Anibal Vasquez, Primera Iglesia del
Pacto, Bell Gardens
March 2008 – Andrew Wollitzer, Berkeley Covenant
Church, Berkeley
June 2008 – Steve Carlson, Turlock Covenant Church,
Turlock
September 2008 – Ivan Kirk, Good Shepherd
Community Covenant Church, Tracy
July 2008 – Bob Kennedy, Oak Hills Covenant Church,
Vista
November 2008 – Dennis Wadley – Community
Covenant Church of Goleta, Santa Barbara
January 2009 – Danny Martinez, Grace Covenant
Church, Spring Valley, previously at Church of the
Redeemer, Los Angeles

Interim Lead Pastors serving

Robert Anderson – Redeemer Covenant Church,
Orangevale, p/t
Kevin Blue – Church of the Redeemer Covenant,
Los Angeles, p/t
Tim Dally – Redwood Covenant Church, Santa Rosa
Kreig Gammelgard – Pasadena Covenant Church,
Pasadena, p/t
Marv Gibbs – Emmanuel Covenant Church, Northridge,
p/t
Henry Greenidge – Valley Hi Covenant Church,
Sacramento, p/t
Charles “Bud” Locke – Stockton Covenant Church,
Stockton, p/t
Jason Powell – New Hope Covenant Church,
Peoria, AZ, p/t
Phillip Sommerville – Westside Covenant Church,
West Sacramento, p/t
Paula Warren – Church of Philadelphia Covenant,
San Jose, p/t
Will Waters – Alum Rock Covenant Church, San Jose,
p/t
Tyler Watson and Brian Wright – Eagle Rock Covenant
Church, Los Angeles, p/t

Deaths of Covenant credentialed pastors/missionaries and spouses of pastors/missionaries

May 2008 – Elizabeth Burke
May 2008 – Doris Anderson
May 2008 – Ruth Ost
July 2008 – Leonard Peterson
July 2008 – Lela Sibley
July 2008 – Betty Johnson
August 2008 – Clarence Winstedt
September 2008 – Harold Nelson
October 2008 – John Cantley
December 2008 – Phil Danielson

PSWC Churches Seeking Membership in the Evangelical Covenant Church April 2009

Great Exchange, San Francisco – San Francisco, CA

Pastor: Sean Curtis

Attendance: 125

Website: grxsf.org



History: GrX SF started as a "multi-site" out of GrX in Sunnyvale. The seed was first planted in April 2004 with the launch of the SF small group, Life-on-Life. This name was chosen as a reminder that the gospel needs to be lived out in our everyday existence, not just on Sundays and in small group gatherings. Life-on-Life's core mission was to foster the growth of authentic community that would seek Him together in studying the Word, finding meaning that could be applied and lived out with others throughout the week. In 2005 the small group multiplied into six groups, and shortly thereafter public worship services began on Sunday evenings at Dolores Park Covenant. A search for a "lead pastor" culminated in calling Sean Curtis (a former church planter) ◀ who began in June 2008.

Mission: We are a community who has been captivated by the powerful and sacrificial grace and love of Jesus. Because of his great love, we desire to let that love transform us, and to follow that incredible example with the conviction that it is this love that has the power to heal. We believe that every person, no matter their story, is created with dignity and value, and even in our brokenness, or in the brokenness that we see in this world, that this great love will win. We believe that it will win because Jesus died because of this love, and he was raised because of this love.

Fountain of Life Covenant Church – Long Beach, CA

Pastor: John Teter

Attendance: 130

Website: folcov.org



History: Fountain of Life Covenant Church began as PSWC/ECC church plant in April 2006 with John Teter ◀ as the church planter. Fountain of Life was birthed from the campus ministry at Cal State Dominguez Hills, one of three campuses where John had previously served with InterVarsity. John and his wife, Becky, got connected to the Evangelical Covenant Church through relationship with the pastoral staff at Journey Covenant Church (Torrance, CA). When Fountain of Life launched as a church plant, Journey Covenant served as a partnering church, providing both financial support and

practical resources. FOL currently meets at Hamilton Middle School in North Long Beach where the versatility of a campus provides opportunities to respond and provide various activities for a growing church. Key ministries include: preaching the Word, intensive mentoring, evangelism, and servicing their "Family Life Center", a ministry to their surrounding community.

Mission: Fountain of Life has a one version mission: Luke 10:2. The Lord has created our church to make Kingdom workers. We do this by calling, training, and sending Jesus' disciples into the world. We have chosen to plant our church in North Long Beach, displaying God's commitment to those who live on the margins.

**BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION
CANDIDATES FOR PACIFIC SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE
EXECUTIVE BOARD - 2009**



Pamela Christensen – Bayside Covenant Church, Granite Bay, CA
Occupation: Certified Financial Planner
Educational Background: Financial Planning/Bible and Theology
Present Broader Church/Community Involvement: Area director for Crown Financial Ministries for Northern California; Certified Seminar Instructor with Crown Financial, teacher - UC Davis Extension Program; Member, PSWC Executive Board; Chair of PSWC Resource Development Commission
Recent Broader Church/Community Involvement: Past president of local Financial Planning Association Chapter
Present Local Church Involvement: Member of Bayside Covenant Church — small group leader and Benevolence Ministries Committee



Brian Kim – Newsong Orange County
Occupation: Founding campus pastor/current lead pastor
Educational Background: Sociology/ethnic studies focused on African American studies
Present Broader Church/Community Involvement – Vision Team of Newsong Alliance of Churches, Verve Group (a global non-profit for emerging leaders); certified Birkman consultant for executives and teams
Recent Broader Church/Community Involvement: developed ten campus ministries in California; led college age mission mobilization organization, Celebration Arts Pastor and College Pastor at Newsong Church – Irvine



Stanley B. Long – South Bay Community Church, Fremont, CA
Occupation: Founding pastor/lead pastor
Educational Background: Pastoral Ministry/Business
Current Broader Church/Community Involvement: Board of Directors, Urban Ministries, Inc., Editorial Board, Leadership Journal, Christianity Today
Recent Broader Church/Community Involvement : Member, Executive Board of the Evangelical Covenant Church, Board of Trustees, Fuller Theological Seminary, adjunct faculty at Fuller Theological Seminary, Patton College



Bill MacPhee – Rolling Hills Covenant Church, Palos Verdes, CA
Occupation – President, Parenteen
Educational Background – Pastoral Ministry/Youth and Family Ministries
Current Broader Church/Community Involvement: Teach community-oriented Bible study, Covenant Spiritual Formation Speaker Team, Presenter for Parenteen Seminars, consultant to churches in youth/family ministries, adjunct faculty – Fuller Theological Seminary, Advisory Board – Center for Youth Ministry Studies of North Park University/Chicago
Recent Broader Church/Community Involvement – Youth and Family Ministries – Rolling Hills Covenant Church, Palos Verdes

Pacific Southwest Conference
Nominating Commission Report to the 107th Annual Meeting, April 17, 2009

New Appointments

Continuing Members

STANDING COMMISSIONS

(By Bylaw provision, each Standing Commission shall consist of at least five, but not more than nine appointed members.)

Church Planting Commission

Bob Anderson – Redeemer Covenant, Orangevale®
Brent Sinclair – Modesto Covenant, Modesto®
Nancy Stevens – Hope Center Covenant, Pleasant Hill®

Church Planting Commission

Steve Bunyard – Rolling Hills Covenant, Rolling Hills
Willie Franco – Canto Nuevo Covenant, Walnut Creek
Dale Vallejo-Sanderson – Wellspring Covenant, Aiea, HI

Congregational Vitality Commission

Bruce Ekblad – Village Covenant, Azusa®
David Hillis – Hope Covenant, Chandler, AZ®
Jeff Mitchell – Good Samaritan Covenant, Valley Springs®
Steve West – Hope Center Covenant, Pleasant Hill®

Congregational Vitality Commission

Carol Gibbs – Rolling Hills Covenant, Rolling Hills
Oscar Rubio – El Encino Covenant, Downey
Flor Graterol – El Encino Covenant, Downey

NOTE: Congregational Vitality Commission is a merger of previous commissions of Church Development and Christian Formation.

Compassion, Mercy, and Justice Commission

Marco Ambriz – First Covenant Oakland, Oakland
John Canada – The Church at Long Beach, Long Beach®
Lori Carlson – Turlock Covenant, Turlock®
Jono Shaffer – Ocean Hills Covenant, Santa Barbara
Joseph Taylor – Los Angeles Korean, Los Angeles®

Compassion, Mercy, and Justice Commission

Lynda Delgado – El Encino Covenant, Downey
Modestine Fain – South Bay Community, Fremont
Stephen “Cue” Jean-Marie – Newsong Community, Los Angeles

NOTE: Compassion, Mercy, and Justice Commission is a merger of previous commissions of Multiethnic Ministries and Church Outreach.

Women Ministries Commission

Jody Cavin – Valley Hi Covenant, Sacramento®
Karen Figueroa – Primera Iglesia del Pacto, Bell Gardens®
Stephanie Peterson – Community Covenant, El Cajon®
Marilyn Spartz – First Covenant, Sacramento®

Women Ministries Commission

Yvonne DeVaughn – Hope Covenant, Chandler, AZ
Patricia Thompson – Visalia Covenant, Visalia
Nadine Villalobos – Valley Hi Covenant, Sacramento
Debi Lee Winterhalder – Community Covenant, El Cajon

Resource Development Commission

Scott Owens – Pasadena Covenant, Pasadena
Dan Shelton – Kerman Covenant, Kerman®

Resource Development Commission

Stacey Heimkes – Hope Covenant, Chandler, AZ
Monty Wood – First Covenant, Sacramento

SPECIAL COMMISSIONS

(By Bylaw provision, each Special Commission shall consist of at least three appointed members.)

Pastoral Care and Support Commission

Mike FitzGerald – Community Covenant, ScottsValley®
Ron Short – Lakehills Covenant, El Dorado Hills

Pastoral Care and Support Commission

Anita Sorenson – Pasadena Covenant, Pasadena

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PERMANENT COMMISSIONS

(By Bylaw provision, Mission Springs shall have up to nine appointed members, seven of which are regular members in good standing of a Conference member church north of the Tehachapi Mountain Range, two of which shall have good standing with the Covenant Ministerium and/or serve on the staff of a Conference Member Church in a ministerial role.)

New Appointments

Camping Commission North

Sherwood Anderson – Peninsula Covenant, Redwood City®
Tim Johnson – San Andreas Community Covenant, San Andreas®
Ken Mattson – First Covenant, Oakland®

Continuing Members

Camping Commission North

Ruth Bonander – Cornerstone Covenant, Turlock
James Haskins – Bay Area Christian Connection, Oakland
David Helwig – Thousand Oaks (not in a Covenant church)
Kathy Holmgren – Mercer Island Covenant, Mercer Island, WA
Jeff Norman – Modesto Covenant, Modesto
Bruce Pruitt – Community Covenant, Rocklin

(By Bylaw provision, Alpine shall have up to nine appointed members, seven of which are regular members in good standing of a Conference Member Church located south of the Tehachapi Mountain Range, two of which shall have good Standing with the Covenant Ministerium and/or serve on the staff of a Conference Member Church in a ministerial role, and one of which shall be the Chairperson of Alpine Angels.)

Camping Commission South

Daniel Anabalon – El Encino Covenant, Downey
Anthony Xepolis – Rolling Hills Covenant, Rolling Hills®

Camping Commission South

Bud Ekblad – Village Covenant, Azusa
Cheryl Hanley – Horizon Church, Rancho Santa Fe
Marilyn Porter – Alpine Angels
Loren Stayboldt – Washington
Jim Stewart – Journey Covenant, Torrance
Dale Torstenbo – Pasadena Covenant, Pasadena
Charles Wilson – Simi Covenant, Simi Valley

(By Bylaw provision, the Nominating Commission shall consist of an Executive Board member as chair, two additional clergy members of the Conference, and two additional lay members of the Conference.)

Nominating Commission

Cathy Barsotti – Pasadena Covenant, Pasadena®
Kurt Holm – The Creek, Walnut Creek®

Nominating Commission

Lynn Blomquist – Modesto Covenant, Modesto
Duane Peterson – Valley Hi Covenant, Sacramento

EXECUTIVE BOARD

(By Bylaw provision, the Executive Board shall have at least ten, but not more than fifteen members elected by the Annual Meeting,... At least one third of the elected members shall be lay. At least one third shall be clergy. Each member shall be elected for a term of three years and may serve two consecutive full terms.)

Candidates for the 2009 Ballot

Pamela Christensen – Bayside Covenant, Granite Bay®
Brian Kim – Newsong North Orange County, Fullerton
Stanley B. Long – South Bay Community, Fremont
Bill MacPhee – Rolling Hills Covenant, Rolling Hills

Continuing Members

Joy Champion – Modesto Covenant, Modesto (2011)
Will Davidson – Hillside Covenant, Walnut Creek (2010)
Mario DiazCeballos – Vision Covenant, Azusa (2011)
John Engstrom – Hillside Covenant, Walnut Creek (2010)
Meagan Gillan – Grace Community Covenant, Tucson, AZ (2010)
Pat Stark – Genesis Covenant, Phoenix, AZ (2010)
Max Villalobos – Valley Hi Covenant, Sacramento (2010)
Cameron Wu Cardona – Grace Covenant, So. San Francisco (2010)
Chris Hushaw – Cornerstone Covenant, La Quinta (2011)

(___) indicates year in which term expires.

Italics indicate clergy or for Camping Commissions, italics also indicates staff person in a Covenant church

® indicates reappointment