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BRIEFING 8 Multisite Churches

2017 Twin Cities Update



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Twin Cities Multisite Churches

TAKEAWAY 1 - National picture: Multisites are booming

Prior to 1990, the *multisite* church concept was little known. The usual way of starting a new church was for a *mother* church to plant a *daughter* church. The mother would give life to the daughter by supplying an initial leadership team and enough financing and other assistance to enable it to soon become a self-sufficient independent church.

Since then, technology and economics have helped shape a new kind church, the *multisite church*, which does not become an independent church but stays under the ownership, control and consolidated budget of the *parent* church – one church meeting in multiple local locations. Typically, the *Senior Pastor* is over all sites, with a *Campus Pastor* for each individual site.

Nationally, about half of all multisite churches use only in-person teaching and preaching methods, and half use a combination of in-person and video. It is increasingly common for the Senior Pastor to give the Sunday sermon to all sites via video feed.

For decades among Protestants, *megachurch* was the trend. Now its *multisites*.

In the 1980s, there were less than 100 multisite churches in the entire country. Now there are about 10,000 (3% of all churches), and the total is growing rapidly as shown on CHART 8.3.

Two-thirds of multisite churches are part of a denomination; one-third are independent.

One-third of multisite churches are the result of a merger.

Data on **national** multisites come from surveys in which small samples are projected to approximate the whole, not nearly as precise and timely as the annual census used to collect **local** data in the Twin Cities. National statistics reported here are primarily from a survey cited in CHART 8.7, corroborated by many online articles. Surveys tend to overstate successes and understate failures.

TAKEAWAY 2 - Local picture: Multisites are slowing

Because of the huge database and fact-gathering system developed by **Dr. Rev. John A. Mayer** and **City Vision**, the Twin Cities MN is recognized nationally and internationally in church research circles for having the best data on local churches of any metro in the world.

In contrast to **national** survey data, the **local** statistics reported here are from **City Vision's** 2016 census of all Twin Cities churches, summarized in TABLE 8.2. Census data is more accurate than survey data.

The Twin Cities is ahead of the national curve with respect to multisite churches. In the 1980s, when the concept was practically unknown, **Grace Church** had three multisites (Edina, Roseville and Richfield) and **North Heights Lutheran** had two multisites (Roseville and Arden Hills).

Today there are 63 multisite organizations in the Twin Cities with a total of 153 multisite churches. Average size of a parent multisite is 1,214; average size of a subsite is 424. Five percent of Protestant churches in the Twin Cities are multisite, compared to 3% nationally.

However, growth in number of new multisites has slowed in the Twin Cities in the past few years. As shown in TABLE 8.3, there was a **net gain** of only two new parents and one new subsite in 2016.

TAKEAWAY 3 - Positive interpretation of the data (it's working well)

As with most statistics, there can be different interpretations. Here is a **positive interpretation** of the local data:

- + In 2016, overall attendance in multisite churches in the Twin Cities increased 4%, while attendance in non-multisite church declined 5% a huge 9% per year differential!
- + The number of multisite churches in the Twin Cities keeps growing 2% growth last year among Protestant churches and 14% among Catholic churches.
- + Multisite attendance has grown so large in the Twin Cities that now **one out of** every five Protestants attends a multisite church.

TAKEAWAY 4 - Negative interpretation of the data (it's not working well)

Here is a **negative interpretation** of the local data:

- In 2016, there was a net gain of 132 new churches in the Twin Cities, but **only three** were multisite.
- In 2016, among multisite churches, attendance in subsites increased 23%, but attendance in parents the bigger churches declined 4%.
- Overall, the multisite concept has been a **disappointment for most Twin Cities churches** that have tried it. Among the 54 parent churches that have been operating multisites for five years or more, 26 gained overall attendance during the period, but 38 lost overall attendance.

TAKEAWAY 5 - Six denominations excel at multisites

Forty-three different Protestant denominations and independents operate multisite churches in the Twin Cities, but, as detailed in CHART 8.4, all net growth over the past five years can be attributed to six denominations: **Assemblies of God**, **Converge**, **Catholic**, **Lutheran Congregations in Missions for Christ**, **Church of God** and **Association of Related Churches**. The other 37 denominations and independents have had minimal or no success in increasing attendance through the multisite strategy.

TAKEAWAY 6 - Weak but common argument for multisites

A weak argument for establishing multisites, frequently heard, somewhat arrogant, is that "people in other parts of the Twin Cities need to hear the gospel, too." Fact is that there are 3,476 churches in the Twin Cities. The database shows that there are good churches of every theological stripe in every part of the metro, and commuting is fast and easy on Sunday mornings.

Stronger arguments are: 'We're nearing capacity, and we can't expand where we are' or 'We're adding a church in another language or culture.'

The data suggests that churches that still have hundreds of empty seats should study and evaluate very carefully before starting a multisite. It may be better to use the time, money and energy to fill empty seats in an existing facility than to start a multisite. See analysis in **Briefing 3**.

TAKEAWAY 7 - List of Twin Cities multisite churches attached

There are now **153 multisite churches** in the Twin Cities, as summarized in CHART 8.1 and identified in detail in the attached list titled *Multisite Churches by Parent*.

This list, compiled from the **City Vision** master database of Twin Cities churches, broken down by *parent* church, identifies each subsite, with start date and attendance data. This list is also online at www.churchscouts.org/multisiteparent.pdf.

Because multisite churches are usually larger than single-site churches, 37% of the 100 largest Protestant churches in the Twin Cities are now multisites, detailed in **Breifing 7**.

TAKEAWAY 8 - Size and/or multisite not a big advantage

People in the Twin Cities have a huge selection of churches of all types and sizes within easy Sunday morning drive time. If large churches had a growth advantage, one would expect that there would be more and more larger churches and fewer and fewer small churches. However, CHART 7.4 shows that there is actually a trend away from large churches toward small churches.

Most Catholic churches are large by design, but among Protestants, the statistics reported in **Briefing 7** show:

- One-third of Protestants choose church size under 200
- One-third of Protestants choose church size 200-700
- One-third of Protestants choose church size 700+

Briefing 7 shows that, overall, large churches do not have a growth rate advantage over small churches.

This **Briefing 8** shows that, overall, multisite churches do not have a growth rate advantage over single-site churches.

This is encouraging information for small and medium-size churches that thought they were at a big disadvantage for church growth relative to large churches and multisite churches. Not so.

The statistics show that it is essentially a level playing field for churches of all sizes and organizational structures.

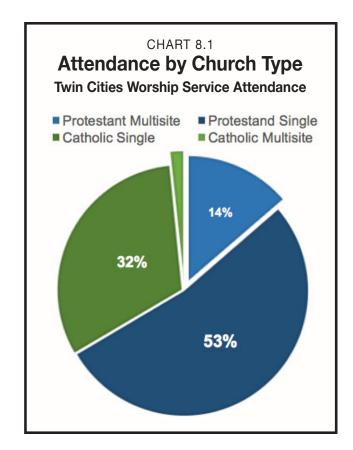
Digging deeper, CHART 7.7 shows that churches grow fast in their first five years, then growth rate begins steady decline to twentieth year, then levels off.

It appears that the **key factor** for church growth rate in the Twin Cities is not **size** or **multisite**, but rather the *early-years dynamic* that's inherent in new churches: entrepreneurial spirit, less bureaucracy, faster decisions, more involvement of lay people, more accepting and relational, and more excitement.

This is confirmed by CHART 8.2 which shows that in 2016 parent multisite (old, large) attendance was **-4**% while subsite (young, small) attendance was **+23**%.

Discussion of this *early-years dynamic* is beyond the scope of this Briefing but will be discussed in **Briefing 9**. This is a dynamic that older churches should try to regain.

This <u>Briefing 8</u> is an update of <u>Briefing 3</u>, which is still a valuable resource for anyone wanting to study Twin Cities multisites in depth.



153 Multisite churches in Twin Cities Metro

Approximately 755,000 people attend worship services in a typical week in the Twin Cities.

15% attend a multisite church.

Data on all known 3,476 Twin Cities churches was collected by **City Vision** and Rev. Dr. John A. Mayer in 2016. This table summarizes data relevant to multisite churches.

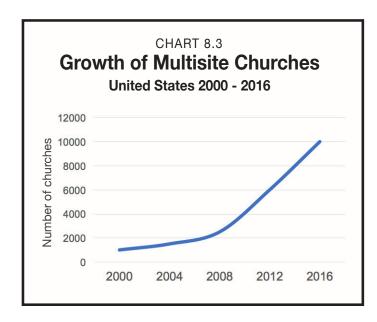
Overall, multisite churches grew faster than non-multisite churches.

Attendance at parent multisites fell during the year, but subsites grew.

Multisite Data Table / Year 2016

From City Vision master database of Twin Cities Churches

	2015	2016	Change
Multisite Parents	61	63	3%
Multisite Subsites	89	90	1%
Total Multisite Churches	150	153	2%
Parents Attendance	79,669	76,470	-4%
Subsites Attendance	31,078	38,196	23%
Total Multisite Attendance	110,747	114,666	4%
Average Attendance Parent	1,306	1,214	-7%
Average Attendance Subsite	349	424	22%
Average Attendance Multisites	738	764	4%
Total Twin Cities Churches	3,344	3,476	4%
Total Attendance (all churches)	762,000	755,412	-1%
Average Attendance (all churches)	228	217	-5%
Roman Catholic Parents	7	8	14%
Roman Catholic Subsites	8	10	25%



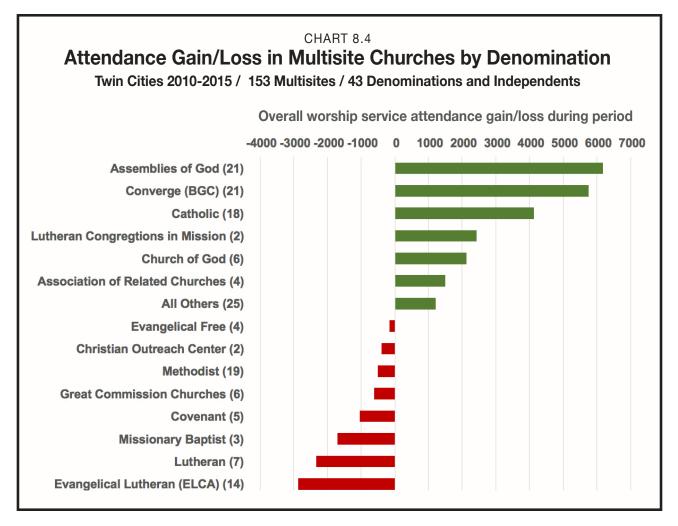
Growth rate for multisite churches in the United States in recent years has been dramatic.

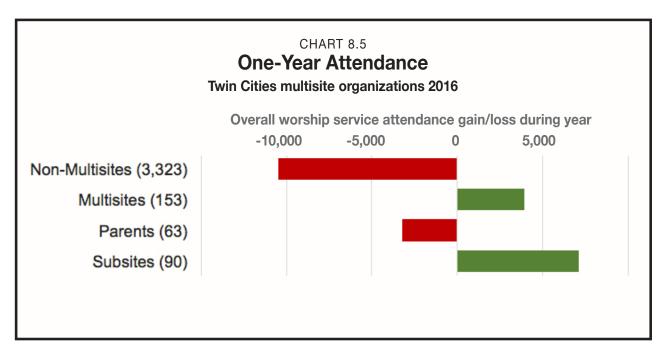
However, the 10,000 multisite churches is only 3% of total U.S. churches.

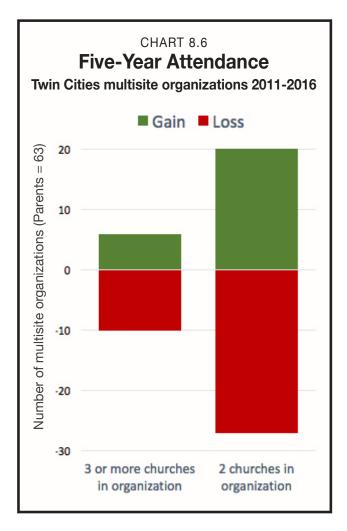
In Twin Cities, multisites accounted for 5% of total churches in 2016.

Six denominations shown below (green) have been particularly successful in increasing attendance with multisites in the Twin Cities.

For the other 37 other denominations and independents (red), results have been modest to disappointing.







Overall in 2016, the 153 Twin Cities multisite churches increased average worship attendance by 3,900 per week, compared to 11,000 lost by non-multisite churches.

The subsites gained 7,000 per week, but the parent sites lost 3,000, so net gain was 3,900.

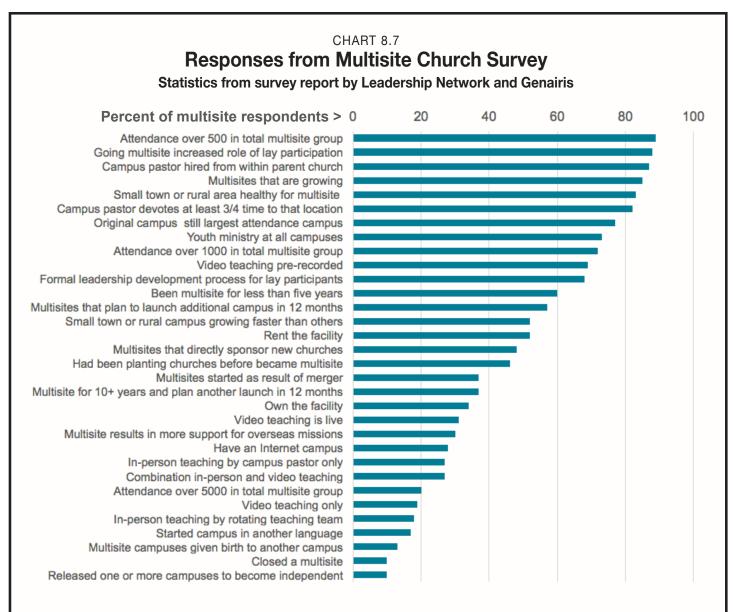
Comparison of the one-year picture (here) with the five-year picture (CHART xxx) shows that when a multisite succeeds in increasing attendance, the number are often big, but most don't succeed.

During 5-year period 2011-2016,

17 Twin Cities churches were part of a multisite organization of three or more churches; seven of these churches gained worship service attendance, and 10 lost attendance.

During the 5-year period, 48 churches were part of an organization with just two churches; 20 gained attendance, and 28 lost attendance.

This shows that, even after five years, most parent churches that start multisites in the Twin Cities do not re-gain their initial attendance.



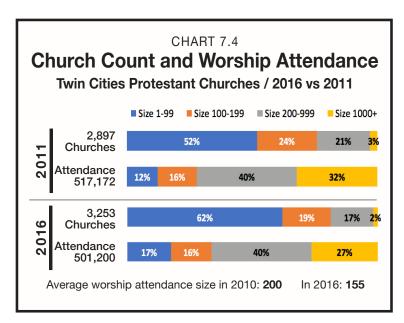
Largest Multisite Survey Ever

In 2014, Leadership Network and Genaris conducted the largest survey of multisite churches ever (535 multisite churches), and you can get a PDF copy of the 37-page illustrated report by clicking cover at left (www.churchscouts.org/multisitesurvey).

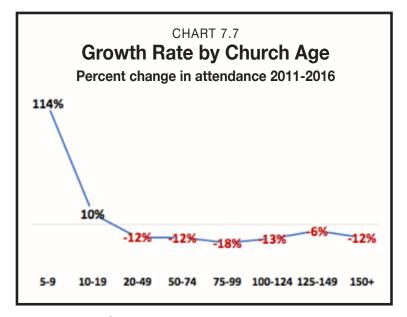
Multisite was defined as one church in two or more locations, under one overall leadership and budget. Average (median) for all respondents was four years as a multisite. Nationally, average size was 125 in the first month, 160 after one year, and 200 after two years. Nine percent of all Protestants attend a multisite church; three percent of all Protestant churches are multisite.

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NOTE: This survey is helpful, but findings are biased in favor of multisites because the sponsoring organizations actively promote multisites, because survey is voluntary (churches most satisfied are most likely to respond), and because data is now nearly four years old, as contrasted to **City Vision's 2016 full census** of the Twin Cities.



In the Twin Cities, over the past five years, there is a noticeable shift in preference for small churches (under100) away from large churches (over 100).



In the Twin Cities, overall, churches grow fast in their first five years, then growth rate begins steady decline to twentieth year, then levels off.

The above CHARTS 7.4 and 7.7 and supporting statistics appear in **Briefing 7** as part of an analysis of all 3,476 churches in the Twin Cities.

The key factor for growth rate does not appear to be **size** or **multisite**, but rather the *internal dynamic* that's inherent in new churches:

- Entrepreneurial spirit
- Less bureaucracy
- Faster decisions
- · More involvement of lay people
- · More accepting and relational
- More excitement

In 2016, parent multisite (old, large) attendance was **-4%** while subsite (young, small) attendance was **+23%** (see TABLE 8.2).



Multisite Churches by Parent

Twin Cities Metro MN / All 63 parent groups / Year 2016

Italic is year started • Grey italic is average weekly worship attendance 2011 • Black is average attendance 2016

Green is 5-year growth • Red is 5-year decline

Eagle Brook Church		16,500	22,030	5,530 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Eagle Brook Church / Lino Lakes	1948	7,330	5,990	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Eagle Brook / Woodbury	2011	2,100	5,050	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Eagle Brook Church / Blaine	2009	2,190	4,160	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Eagle Brook Church / White Bear Lake	2004	2,830	2,900	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Eagle Brook Church / Spring Lake Park	1941	2,060	2,000	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Eagle Brook Church / Anoka	2014	0	1,940	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
River Valley Church		4,450	8,000	3,550 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
River Valley Church / Apple Valley	1995	3,800	3,500	Assemblies of God & Assn Related Churches
River Valley Church / Shakopee	2013	0	1,750	Assemblies of God & Assn Related Churches
River Valley Church / Eden Prairie	2012	0	1,000	Assemblies of God & Assn Related Churches
River Valley Church / Minneapolis	2015	0	700	Assemblies of God & Assn Related Churche
River Valley Church / Minnetrista	1951	150	400	Assemblies of God & Assn Related Churche
River Valley Church / Woodbury	2000	250	350	Assemblies of God & Assn Related Churche
River Valley Church / Eagan	2005	250	300	Assemblies of God & Assn Related Churche
Hosanna Church		6,100	7,450	1,350 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Hosanna Lutheran Church / Lakeville	1980	6,100	6,600	Lutheran Congregations in Missions & ARCH
Hosanna Lutheran Church / Shakopee	2014	0	850	Lutheran Congregations in Missions & ARCH
Emmanuel Christian Center		3,430	4,650	1,220 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Emmanuel Christian Center / Spring Lake Park	1963	3,000	4,120	Assemblies of God
Emmanuel Christian Center / Maple Grove	1971	300	400	Assemblies of God
Emmanuel Christian Center / Elk River	2001	130	130	Assemblies of God
Bethlehem Baptist Church		6,100	3,950	-2,150 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Bethlehem Baptist Church / Minneapolis	1871	3,200	1,940	Converge & Treasuring Christ Together
Bethlehem Baptist Church / Mounds View	2002	1,900	1,450	Converge & Treasuring Christ Together
Bethlehem Baptist Church / Burnsville	2006	1,000	560	Converge & Treasuring Christ Together
Wooddale Church		6,350	3,930	-2,420 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Wooddale Church / Eden Prairie	1942	5,900	3,360	Converge & CCCC
Wooddale Church / Edina	1942	450	390	Converge & CCCC
Wooddale Church / Minneapolis	2016	0	180	Converge & CCCC
Westwood Community Church		3,000	3,900	900 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Westwood Community Church / Excelsior	1994	3,000	3,640	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Westwood Community Church / Minnetonka	2013	0	270	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Substance Church		3,000	3,800	800 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Substance Church / Spring Lake Park	2004	3,000	2,900	Association of Related Churches
Substance Church / Minneapolis				

New Hope Church		3,600	3,450	-150 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
New Hope Church / New Hope (1)	1948	3,210	3,110	Evangelical Free Church of America
Fusion / New Hope	2007	250	200	Evangelical Free Church of America
New Hope Church / New Hope (2)	2000	100	100	Evangelical Free Church of America
HopeBridge / New Hope	2007	40	40	Evangelical Free Church of America
Saint Joachim		3,230	3,230	0 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Parish of Saints Joachim and Anne / Shakopee (1)	1856	2,050	2,050	Roman Catholic
Parish of Saints Joachim and Anne / Shakopee (2)	1855	1,180	1,180	Roman Catholic
Crossroads Covenant Church		2,450	2,830	380 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Crossroads Covenant Church / Woodbury	1973	2,230	2,390	Evangelical Covenant Church
Crossroads Covenant Church / Eagan	1980	230	240	Evangelical Covenant Church
Crossroads Covenant Church / Cottage Grove	2013	0	200	Evangelical Covenant Church
Mount Olivet Lutheran Church		5,740	2,630	-3,110 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Mount Olivet Lutheran Church / Minneapolis	1919	5,190	2,130	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Mount Olivet Lutheran Church / Victoria	2001	550	500	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Berean Baptist Church		2,100	2,500	400 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Berean Baptist Church / Burnsville	1962	2,100	2,200	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Berean Baptist Church / Lakeville	2016	0	300	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Evergreen Church		2,520	2,180	-340 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Evergreen Church / Bloomington	1986	1,020	780	Great Commission Churches
Evergreen / Lakeville	1997	610	520	Great Commission Churches
The Urban Refuge / Minneapolis	2002	310	340	Great Commission Churches
The Rock / Minneapolis	1999	270	280	Great Commission Churches
Evergreen / New Hope	1996	310	260	Great Commission Churches
Woodridge Church		1,730	2,080	350 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Woodridge Church / Medina	1990	1,530	1,630	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Hope Bridge Church / Plymouth	2012	0	240	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Crow River Church / Medina	2010	100	100	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Mercy Hill Church / Medina	2011	100	100	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Passion Church		380	2,000	1,620 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Passion Church / Maple Grove	1989	380	1,800	Association of Related Churches & COGCT
Passion Church / Fridley Campus	2015	0	200	Association of Related Churches & COGCT
Calvary Baptist		1,700	2,000	300 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Calvary Baptist Church / Roseville	1947	1,400	1,700	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Calvary Church / White Bear Lake	1989	300	300	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Saint Jasanh Cathalia Church		2 200	2,000	-200 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Saint Joseph Catholic Church		2,200	,	
Saint Joseph Catholic Church / New Hope	1856	2,000	1,800	Roman Catholic
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Saint Gabriel the Archangel Catholic C	Church	2,000	1,700	-300 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Saint Gabriel the Archangel / Hopkins (1)	1921	1,200	900	Roman Catholic
Saint Gabriel the Archangel / Hopkins (2)	1950	500	500	Roman Catholic
Hispanic Church at Saint Gabriel / Hopkins	2001	300	300	Roman Catholic
The Crossing Church		3,000	1,600	-1,400 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
The Crossing Church / Elk River	2000	2,800	1,400	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
The Crossing Church / Anoka	2011	100	100	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
The Crossing Church / Big Lake	2010	100	100	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Saint Thomas Moore Catholic Commu	nity	1,800	1,500	-300 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Saint Thomas Moore Catholic Church / St Paul (1)	1888	1,500	1,200	Roman Catholic
Saint Thomas Moore Catholic Church / St Paul (2)	1949	300	300	Roman Catholic
Woodbury Lutheran Church		1,350	1,440	90 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Woodbury Lutheran Church / Woodbury	1963	1,260	1,160	Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
Woodbury Lutheran Church / Stillwater	1982	90	170	Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
Woodbury Lutheran Church / Afton	2011	0	100	Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
Plymouth Covenant		1,110	1,430	320 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Plymouth Covenant Church / Plymouth	1974	1,110	1,370	Evangelical Covenant Church
The Extension Church/ Plymouth	2013	0	60	Evangelical Covenant Church
Maranatha Assembly of God		1,130	1,350	220 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Maranatha Assembly of God Church / Forest Lake	1982	1,000	1,150	Assemblies of God
Maranatha Assembly of God Church / Chisago City	1948	130	200	Assemblies of God
Friendship Church		1,730	1,200	-530 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Friendship Church / Prior Lake	1978	1,200	670	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Friendship Church / Shakopee	2002	530	530	Converge (Baptist General Conference)
Living Hope Lutheran Church		1,070	1,200	130 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Living Hope Lutheran Church / Bloomington	1951	910	1,040	Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
Living Hope Lutheran Church / Shakopee	1997	160	160	Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
Saint Andrew Lutheran Church		1,320	1,150	-170 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Saint Andrew Lutheran Church / Eden Prairie	1975	1,070	900	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Saint Andrew Lutheran Church / Chaska	1981	250	250	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Easter Lutheran Church		1,510	1,110	-400 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Easter Lutheran Church / Eagan (1)	1973	1,010	610	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Easter Lutheran Church / Eagan (2)	2004	500	500	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Fresh Water Community Church		620	1,000	380 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Fresh Water Community Church / St. Bonifacius	1998	620	900	Christian Missionary Alliance & ARC
Fresh Water Community Church / Waconia	2013	0	100	Christian Missionary Alliance & ARC
Christian Family Church		800	1,000	200 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1
Christian Family Church / Minnetonka	2002	800	850	Non-Denominational
Christian Family Church / Lakeville	2014	0	150	Non-Denominational
New Life Community		780	1,000	220 [all numbers rounded to nearest 1

New Life Church / Otsego	2012	0	100	Assemblies of God
Discovery Church		450	1,000	550 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Discovery Church / Burnsville	1977	450	980	Assemblies of God
Discovery Church / Belle Plaine	2013	0	20	Assemblies of God
Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church		1,100	900	-200 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Mary Queen of Peace / Rogers (1)	1912	500	500	Roman Catholic
Mary Queen of Peace / Rogers (2)	2004	300	200	Roman Catholic
Saint Walburga's Church / Rogers (3)	1857	300	200	Roman Catholic
Saint Matthew's Catholic Church		1,300	850	-450 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Saint Matthew's Catholic Church / St Paul	1886	850	620	Roman Catholic
The Community of Saint Matthew / West St Paul	1866	450	230	Roman Catholic
Saint Genevieve Catholic Church		800	800	0 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Saint Genevieve Catholic Church / Centerville	1853	300	500	Roman Catholic
Saint John the Baptist of Hugo / Hugo	1902	500	300	Roman Catholic
Celebration Church		1,730	750	-980 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Celebration Church / Lakeville	1996	1,730	550	Assemblies of God & Int Ministerial Fellowship
Celebration Church / Chaska	2012	0	100	Assemblies of God & Int Ministerial Fellowship
Iglesia Amigos de Celebration / Lakeville	1999	0	100	Assemblies of God & Int Ministerial Fellowship
Saint Peter's Catholic Church		1,050	700	-350 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Saint Peter's Catholic Church / Delano	1865	550	450	Roman Catholic
Saint Thomas Catholic Church / Corcoran	1896	500	250	Roman Catholic
Redeemer Lutheran Church		800	700	-100 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Redeemer Lutheran Church / Fridley	1911	700	580	Lutheran Congregations in Missions for Christ
Redeemer Lutheran Church / Coon Rapids	2009	100	130	Lutheran Congregations in Missions for Christ
Cross Roads Church		700	680	-20 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Cross Roads Church / Lakeville	1995	600	470	United Methodist Church
Crossroads Church / Elko New Market	2013	0	100	United Methodist Church
Cross Roads Church / Inver Grove Heights	1854	100	100	United Methodist Church
North Heights Lutheran Church		1,100	630	-470 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
North Heights Lutheran Church / Arden Hills	1986	800	530	Independent Lutheran
North Heights Lutheran Church / Roseville	1946	300	100	Independent Lutheran
Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church		950	510	-440 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church / North St Paul	1887	800	340	Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church / Hugo	2001	150	170	Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
Centennial United Methodist Church		550	500	-50 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Centennial United Methodist Church / Roseville	1953	480	460	United Methodist Church
Centennial United Methodist Church / St Paul	1889	80	40	United Methodist Church
Ebenezer Community Church		290	500	210 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]
Ebenezer Community Church / Brooklyn Park	2000	290	460	Southern Baptist Church
Ebenezer Community Church / Bloomington	2011	0	40	Southern Baptist Church

Crown of Life Lutheran Church		590	490	-100 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Crown of Life Lutheran Church / West St Paul	1873	490	420	Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
Crown of Life Lutheran Church / Eagan	1975	100	70	Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
Bethel Christian Fellowship		400	490	90 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Bethel Christian Fellowship / St Paul	1927	350	400	Fellowship of Christian Assemblies
Bethel Christian Fellowship / Minneapolis	2007	50	100	Fellowship of Christian Assemblies
Discover Church		660	430	-230 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Discover Church / Brooklyn Park (1)	1959	560	330	Evan Lutheran & Lutheran Congregations
Discover Church / Brooklyn Park (2)	2007	100	100	Evan Lutheran & Lutheran Congregations
Salem Lutheran Church		1,080	420	-660 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Salem Lutheran Church / Stillwater	1855	900	350	Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
Salem Lutheran Church / Woodbury	1863	180	70	Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
Woodbury Peaceful Grove United Me	ethodist	860	360	-500 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Woodbury Peaceful Grove / Woodbury	1853	800	300	United Methodist Church
Woodbury Peaceful Grove / Cottage Grove	1989	60	60	United Methodist Church
Bethel World Outreach Church		390	350	-40 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Bethel World Outreach Church / Robbinsdale	1997	290	250	Bethel World Outreach
Bethel World Outreach Church / St Paul	2010	100	100	Bethel World Outreach
Valley Christian Church		400	330	-70 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Valley Christian Church / Apple Valley	1975	300	230	Churches of Christ
Evengsong Worship Community / Apple Valley	2008	100	100	Churches of Christ
Life Church Bloomington		280	300	20 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Life Church / Bloomington	1975	180	200	Church of God (Cleveland TN)
The Edge Church of God / Lakeville	2003	100	100	Church of God (Cleveland TN)
Iglesia De Cristo Ministerios		250	250	0 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Iglesia De Cristo Ministerios / Minneapolis	2001	200	200	Non-Denominational
Iglesia De Cristo Ministerios / Burnsville	2008	50	50	Non-Denominational
River of Life Christian Church		680	210	-470 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
River of Life Christian Church / St Paul	1974	600	130	Christian Outreach Centre
Waters of Life Outreach Ministry / Minneapolis	2003	80	80	Christian Outreach Centre
Jacob's Well		400	210	-190 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Jacob's Well / Minneapolis (1)	2006	300	110	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Jacob's Well / Minneapolis (2)	2010	100	100	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Greater Deliverance Baptist Cathedra	al	200	200	0 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Greater Deliverance Temple / Minneapolis	2004	200	150	Missionary Baptist Church
The Victory Cathedral / St Paul	2011	0	50	Missionary Baptist Church
First Trinity Church of God in Christ		200	200	0 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
First Trinity Church of God in Christ / St Paul	1976	150	150	Church of God in Christ
First Trinity Church of God in Christ / Minneapolis	2009	50	50	Church of God in Christ
Christ Covenant Chapel		230	200	-30 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10
Christ Covenant Chapel / Lakeviille	2005	180	150	Advanced Life Network

Christ Covenant Chapel / Brooklyn Center	2008	50	50	Advanced Life Network	
Twin Cities Church		220	190	-30 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]	
Twin Cities Church / St Paul	2007	200	150	Fellowship Grace Bretheren & Acts 29	
West Side Church / St Paul	2009	20	20	Fellowship Grace Bretheren & Acts 29	
Compass Church / Minneapolis	2014	0	20	Fellowship Grace Bretheren & Acts 29	
Corner Church		160	170	10 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]	
Corner Church / Minneapolis (1)	2005	110	130	Assemblies of God	
Corner Church / Minneapolis (2)	2002	50	40	Assemblies of God	
Discovery United Methodist Church		210	100	-110 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]	
Discovery United Methodist Church / Chanhassen	2002	110	90	United Methodist Church	
Discovery United Methodist Church / Chaska		110	20	United Methodist Church	
Iglesia Dios Habla Hoy		50	70	[all numbers rounded to nearest 10]	
Iglesia Dios Habla Holy / Anoka	2005	50	50	Wesleyan	
Iglesia Dios Habla Hoy / Bloomington	2014	0	10	Wesleyan	
Spirit Garage		300	50	-250 [all numbers rounded to nearest 10]	
Spirit Garage / Minneapolis	1997	250	30	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America	
Spirit Garage Underground / Minneapolis	2006	50	20	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America	
Total weekly worship attendance in 153 multisite churc	ches above	113,020	114,666	1% 5-year growth multisites 1,646	
Total weekly worship attendance in all 3476 Twin Citie	es churches	792,587	755,412	-5% 5-year growth all churches -37,175	

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