

**ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRIBUTIONS OF
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCHES FOR SELECTED
UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1972-1987**

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Introduction

The purpose of descriptive statistics is to summarize a large amount of data and make it more comprehensible. Often hundreds or thousands of pieces of information are distilled to one overall score such as a mean (average) or median (the middle point). While very useful, these measures of central tendency do not depict range or variability of data.

This report offers a broader picture of selected items taken from Uniform Church Letter data by examining their distributions as well as examining central tendency. The distributions listed in this report are based on percentiles. Every tenth percentile is derived for each data item considered. These selected percentiles taken together provide a rich understanding of the manner in which churches vary in their reported data. At the same time they provide a comprehensible reduction of a large amount of information.

Percentiles are conceptually very simple and the example which follows will explain the use of percentiles in this report. The following example shows the distribution of resident members for churches in the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) for the year 1987.

Percentile	Resident Members
100th	15,981
90th	618
80th	394
70th	286
60th	220
50th	171
40th	133
30th	101
20th	72
10th	46
0th	1

The distribution is based on data provided by the 35,761 churches reporting resident membership on the 1987 Uniform Church Letter.¹ The 100th and 0th percentiles represent the extremes of the distribution, the maximum and minimum scores reported. There was one church, First Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas, that reported 15,981 resident members and one church that reported one resident member. These two numbers define the range for the distribution of all Southern Baptist Churches.

The 90th percentile is that size along the distribution of Southern Baptist churches where 90 percent of SBC churches have a resident membership that is less than or equal to it while conversely 10 percent have a resident membership greater than or equal to it. Specifically, 90

¹ The 35,761 churches were selected based on their status code on the 1987 UCL summary tape and the presence of a reported figure for resident membership. First, 35,771 churches were selected with a status code of blank, 1, 2, or 9. Out of this group another ten churches were eliminated because they reported zero or no resident members.

percent of SBC churches have a resident membership in 1987 of 618 members or less. Conversely, 10 percent of SBC churches have a resident membership of 618 or more.

The 80th percentile means that 80 percent of SBC churches have 394 resident members or less. Conversely 20 percent of SBC churches have 394 resident members or more. At the other end of the scale the 10th percentile indicates that 10 percent of SBC churches have 46 or fewer resident members and conversely, 90 percent have 46 or more. Each of the percentiles listed above can be interpreted in a similar manner.

Percentiles can be compared for interpretation. By subtracting the 10th percentile from the 90th percentile, the observation can be made that 80 percent of SBC churches range from 46 to 618 resident members.

The percentiles listed above are not the only ones which can be compiled. The 96th or the 47th percentile also could have been derived. In order to illustrate as fully as possible the distribution of churches with the minimum number of data points, only every 10th percentile is listed. This same approach to representing data distributions is used in the remainder of this report.

The Appendix contains percentile distributions for up to twenty different variables taken from Uniform Church Letter data for the years 1972 through 1987. These years were chosen because these are the only years Uniform Church Letter data are available by church on computer. Even though percentiles are conceptually simple they require significant computer time to derive due to the necessity of sorting approximately 36,000 churches for each variable for each year.

Table 17 (in the Appendix) contains percentile distributions for twenty different items from the 1987 UCL. It includes distributions for membership, baptisms, other additions, Sunday School, missions organizations, music, receipts and expenditures. Tables 2 through 16 contain similar information for prior years. It is possible to examine changes in the distributions of a particular variable, for example total baptisms, over a fifteen year time span. Since there is so much data available in these tables they have been relegated to the Appendix and serve as resource information. The remainder of the text of this report highlights some of the characteristics of Southern Baptist churches, based on the percentile distributions in the Appendix.²

² This report examines the distributions of churches. It should be noted that SBC members have much different distributions. The differences are illustrated as follows.

Percentile	Distribution of Churches by Size of Church in Total Members	Distribution of Total Members by Size of Church in Total Members
100th	27,655	27,655
90th	874	2,821
80th	543	1,717
70th	396	1,200
60th	304	898
50th	239	674
40th	187	507
30th	145	384
20th	106	279
10th	67	182
0th	1	1

Based on the 50th percentile, half of all churches have 239 members or less. On the other hand, half of all members are in a church with 674 members or more. Another comparison is that while 70 percent of all churches have 400 or less members, almost 70 percent of all members are in churches of 400 or more

Median Profile of a Southern Baptist Church

Even though the percentile distribution data in the Appendix represent a huge reduction of the amount of data available on a yearly basis, they too can be overwhelming. It is for this reason that measures of central tendency are most commonly used to describe large quantities of information. The most common of the measures of central tendency are means--also called averages. The average size church in the SBC is 279 resident members. An examination of the distribution of resident members above shows that 70 percent of SBC churches have 286 resident members or less. It appears that the average is not a good measure of central tendency in this instance. It is "skewed" upward because of the disproportionate weight of a small number of superchurches which average upward a large number of very small churches.

A more appropriate measure of central tendency for UCL data is the median statistic. The median statistic is a special percentile--the 50th percentile. It is that point which divides a distribution into two equal halves. In our example above, the median size church in the SBC has 171 resident members. This is the middle where 50 percent of SBC churches are larger or equal in size and 50 percent are smaller or equal in size. If only one measure is used to describe the "typical" church in the convention, the median statistic of 171 resident members is the best one to use.³

In order to provide an overview for the remainder of the text, a composite profile is developed for a typical Southern Baptist church in 1987 from the medians (50th percentiles) in table 17. This profile is hypothetical in that no single church can be found with these exact characteristics. Table 1 lists the profile. (See next page.) Note that the typical SBC church is 64 years old; has 171 resident members; reported 5 baptisms and 6 other additions during the 1986-87 church year; has 110 persons enrolled in Sunday School with 63 in attendance on an "average" Sunday; and has less than \$40,000 discretionary income of which it sends 7.8 percent to the Cooperative Program and 2.3 percent to its association. This profile should be kept in mind when programming for all SBC churches. It is possible that most churches may not have enough personnel or resources to engage in some programs, emphases or activities.

The data in table 1 picture a typical church at the end of the 1987 church year. Similar snapshots can be developed for the years 1972 through 1986 from table 2 through table 16 in the Appendix. The next several sections highlight changes that have occurred in Southern Baptist churches from 1972 through 1987 and further examine distributions of UCL data items.

members. While there are many smaller churches, the bulk of SBC membership is in larger churches. The distributions of churches and members look very different.

³ There are times when the median statistic is not appropriate. It does not have all the nice mathematical properties of a mean and thus cannot be used in many mathematical calculations.

TABLE 1
MEDIAN PROFILE OF A TYPICAL SOUTHERN
BAPTIST CHURCH, 1987

Uniform Church Letter Item	SBC
Total Members	239
Resident Members	171
Baptisms	5
Baptism Rate Per 100 Resident Members	2.4
Age of Church	64
Other Additions	6
Pastoral Tenure	3 to 4
Sunday School Enrollment	110
Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance	63
Church Training Enrollment	27
WMU Enrollment	18
Brotherhood Enrollment	5
Music Enrollment	26
Total Receipts	\$47,040
Tithes and Offerings	\$45,930
Undesignated Gifts	\$39,475
Designated Gifts	\$4,900
Total Local Expenditures	\$37,315
Total Mission Expenditures	\$6,025
Cooperative Program	\$2,600
Associational Missions Gifts	\$927
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering	\$280
Percentage of Undesignated Gifts to Cooperative Program	7.8%
Percentage of Undesignated Gifts to Association	2.3%

Church Size

In 1987 the median church had 239 total members and 171 resident members. The typical church in the SBC is not a large church--in fact, 80 percent of all SBC churches had less than 400 resident members; 90 percent have 618 resident members or less. Only 4.1 percent of SBC churches have 1,000 or more resident members (7.8 percent have 1,000 or more total members).

Figure 1 shows the change in the median size church in resident members from 1972 to 1987. The median size church grew from 152 resident members in 1972 to 172 resident members in 1984. While this is an overall gain of 13.2 percent for this twelve year period, it translates into a very slow compounded yearly growth rate of 1 percent. This slow rate of growth is indicative of the fact that just slightly more than half of the churches each year gain members while just slightly less than half lose members. (As an example, from 1985 to 1986, 51.1 percent of all churches which remained in existence in 1986 gained resident members.)

From 1984 to 1987 the median resident membership has oscillated between 171 and 172 members. Given that 171 resident members was first reached in 1982 it appears that median resident membership has plateaued. Interestingly, 1987 is the first time the total number of resident members for the entire convention has declined.

MEDIAN RESIDENT MEMBERS, 1972-1987

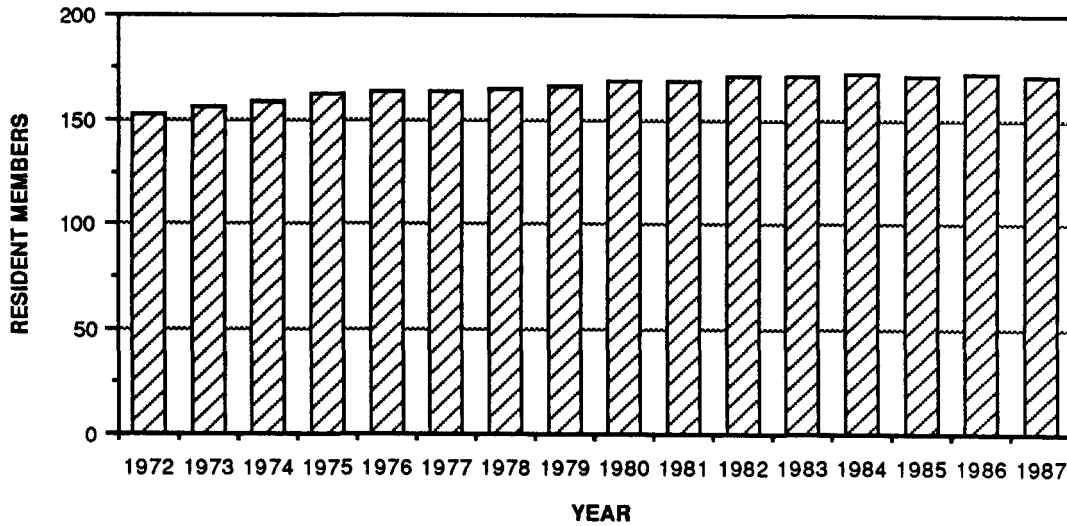


Fig. 1--Median SBC Resident Members, 1972-1987

The picture for total membership is similar. Median total membership grew from 216 members in 1972 to 239 members in 1984. Since 1984 the median has remained constant at 239.

A closer examination of the changes that have occurred for each of the percentiles listed in tables 2 through 17 for membership shows that the patterns of growth appear to be consistent throughout the distributions. This indicates that growth is not a function of church size and that nothing distinctive appears to be happening with any size category of church. Figure 2 shows the changes in percentiles for resident members from 1972 through 1987. Note while there is more movement in the larger percentiles (e.g., 90th, 80th, et cetera) the slopes of the lines are similar--i.e., rates of change are the same.

PERCENTILES OF RESIDENT MEMBERS, 1972-1987

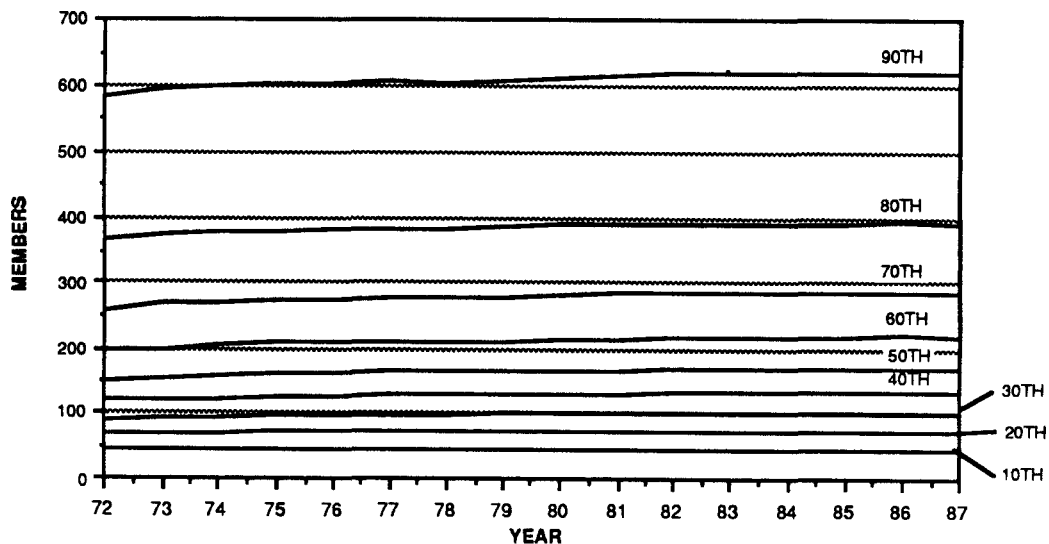


Fig. 2--Percentiles of SBC Resident Members, 1972-1987

Baptisms

In 1987 the typical church reported 5 baptisms during the 1986-87 church year. Eighty percent of SBC churches reported 13 baptisms or less; 90 percent reported 22 or less. All three of these percentiles are lower than in 1972.

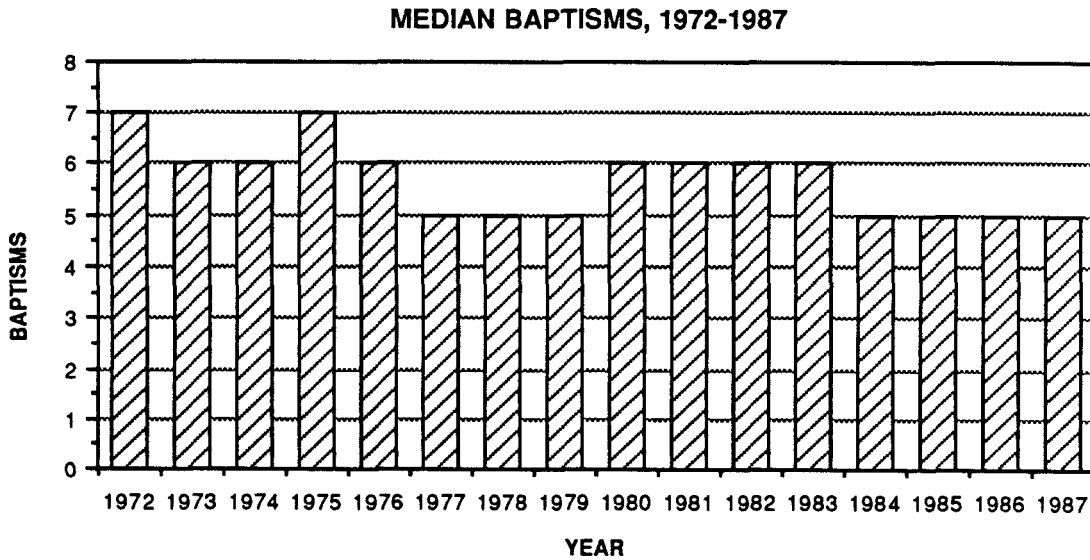


Fig. 3--Median Baptisms for Southern Baptist Churches, 1972-1987

Figure 3 shows the decline in median baptisms. A drop of two baptisms for the median church is a significant decline over the past 15 years. Median baptisms have held constant at five since 1984. Even the Good News Simultaneous Revivals in 1986 did not affect the typical church's baptisms.

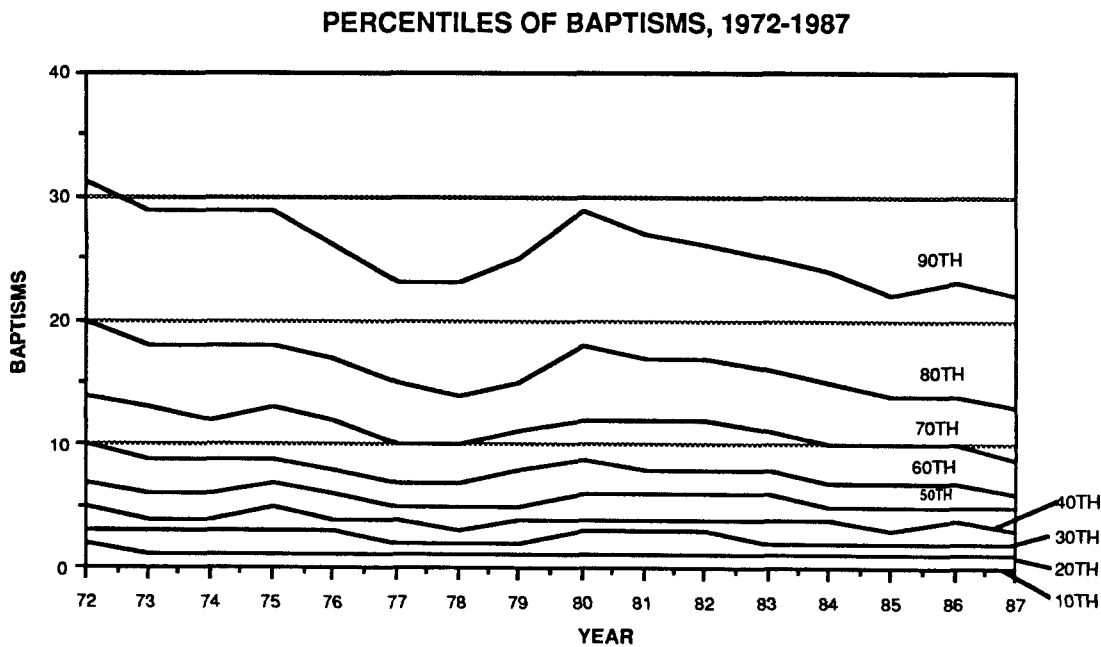


Fig. 4--Percentiles of Baptisms for Southern Baptist Churches, 1972-1987

Figure 4 charts the percentiles for baptisms from 1972 through 1987. There is considerable similarity of curves suggesting that factors that affect baptisms affect most all SBC churches regardless of the number of baptisms they normally have. Possibly there are external factors over which churches have little control. Note that the decline in baptisms during the past 5 years has been significant throughout the distribution of baptisms typically declining 25 percent or more.

In 1987 the top 10 percent of all churches that reported 22 or more baptisms accounted for 164,795 baptisms, 48.7 percent of the total reported for the year. It is interesting to note that about half of the baptisms come from only 10 percent of the SBC churches.

In 1987 only 205 churches reported 100 or more baptisms, however, they accounted for 11.1 percent of the total reported. By comparison in 1975 there were 261 churches that reported 100 or more baptisms and the top 10 percent of the churches reported 44.8 percent of the total baptisms reported for that year. The SBC has become increasingly dependent upon the top performing churches in baptisms to supply the bulk of baptisms reported each year. While declines have occurred throughout the distribution of churches reporting baptisms, the SBC total has been disproportionately affected by the declines in baptisms of churches that report large numbers of baptisms.

To a large extent number of baptisms is dependent upon size of church. To control for church size, the baptism rate per 100 resident members is calculated for each church. The median rate in 1987 was 2.4 baptisms per 100 resident members. This is the lowest rate in 15 years. Figure 5 charts the median from 1972 through 1987. There was considerable decline in the baptism rate from 1972 through 1978. Then in 1979 and 1980 there were significant increases. There has been a fairly steady decline since 1980.

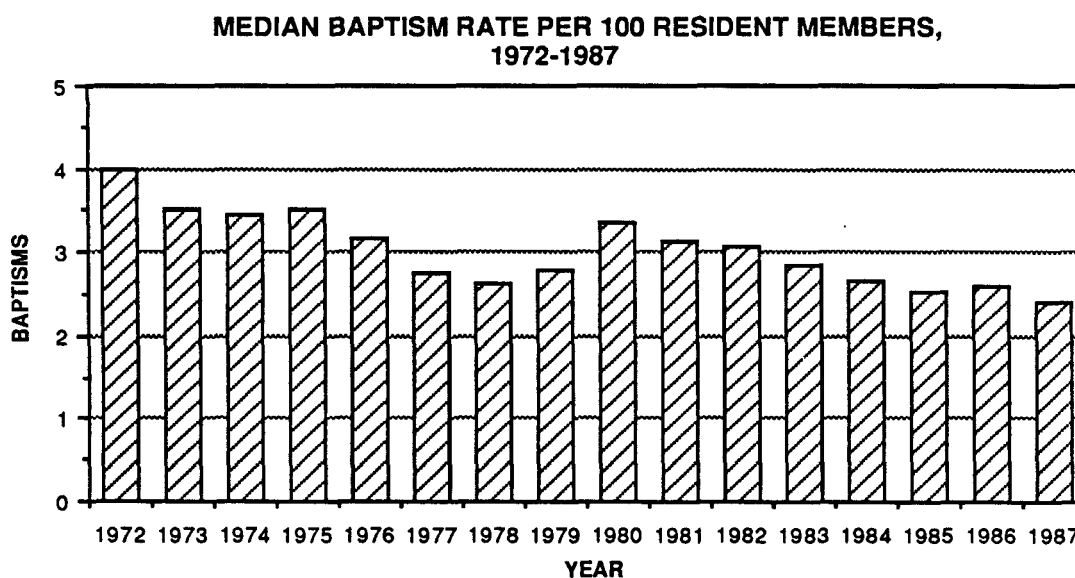


Fig. 5--Median Baptism Rate per 100 Resident Members in Southern Baptist Churches, 1972-1987

Sunday School

Median Sunday School enrollment peaked in 1976 at 119 members (see figure 6). Since that time it has gone down then up and back down again. There have been consistent declines since 1983 resulting in a fifteen year low of 110 people enrolled in a typical church in 1987. As

with other variables examined, the changes in the distribution over time are fairly consistent for all percentiles.

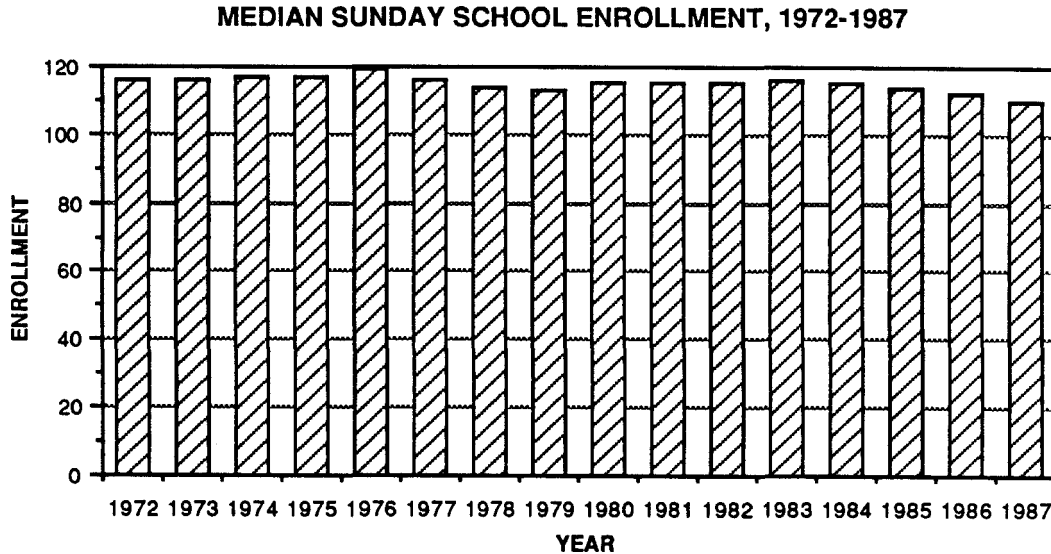


Fig. 6--Median Sunday School Enrollment in Southern Baptist Churches, 1972-1987

The median average weekly Sunday School attendance as displayed in figure 7 also shows the same general pattern over time as Sunday School Enrollment. Attendance peaked in 1976 with 71 persons in attendance on an average Sunday. A low was set in 1987 when a median 63 persons were in attendance. Again, the trends for all percentiles for average weekly Sunday School attendance from 1972 to 1987 are about the same as those for the median.

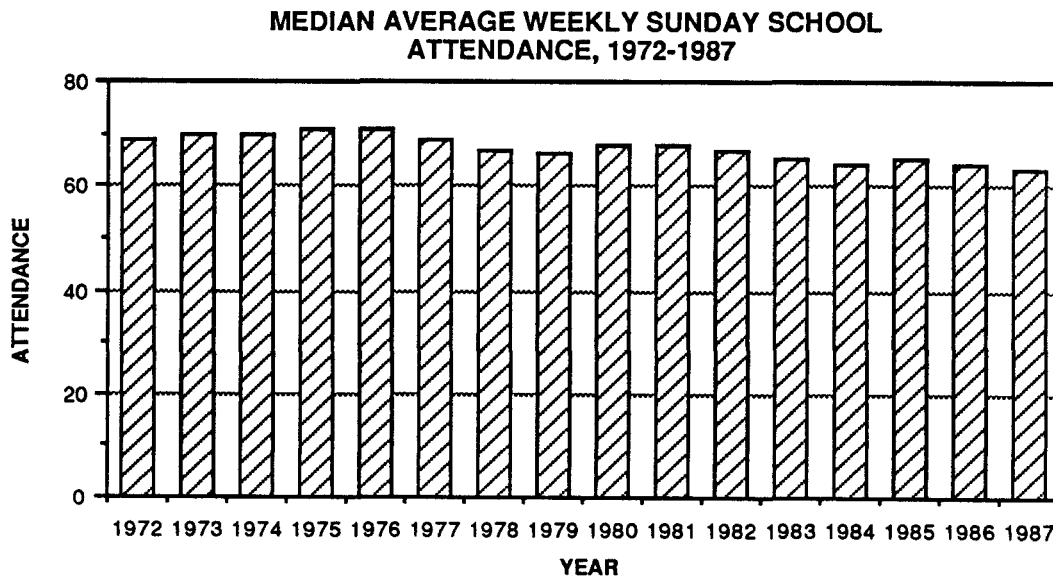


Fig. 7--Median Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance in Southern Baptist Churches, 1972-1987

Church Training

Figure 8 demonstrates the downward trend in Church Training enrollment. A fifteen year low of 27 persons was reported enrolled for a typical SBC church in 1987. Enrollment is down by a third over the fifteen year period. The same general trends can be observed for non-zero percentiles (40th and higher) as for the median.

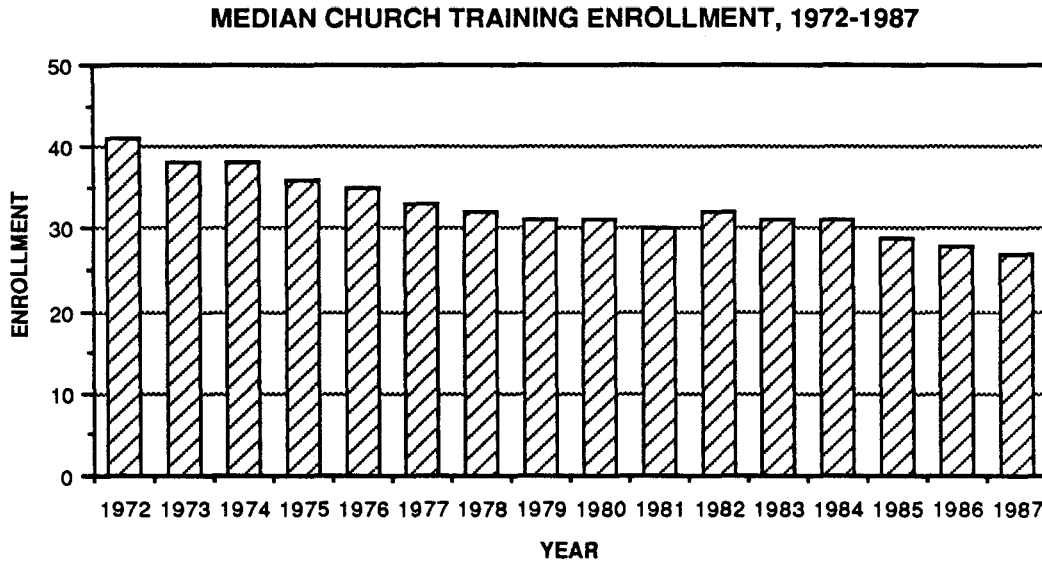


Fig. 8--Median Church Training Enrollment in Southern Baptist Churches, 1972-1987

Missions Programs

The typical church had 18 people enrolled in WMU and 5 enrolled in Brotherhood in 1987. Note that these are median enrollments for all SBC churches and not just those with WMU and Brotherhood programs. The median size WMU and Brotherhood enrollment for churches with these programs are higher. The way medians have been derived in this report include 10,314 churches not reporting a WMU enrollment and 16,764 churches not reporting Brotherhood enrollment. Until 1982 the median Brotherhood enrollment for all reporting churches was zero because more churches did not have a Brotherhood than those who did. Figure 9 shows median WMU enrollment, 1972 to 1987. There has been little change during this time frame.

MEDIAN WMU ENROLLMENT, 1972-1987

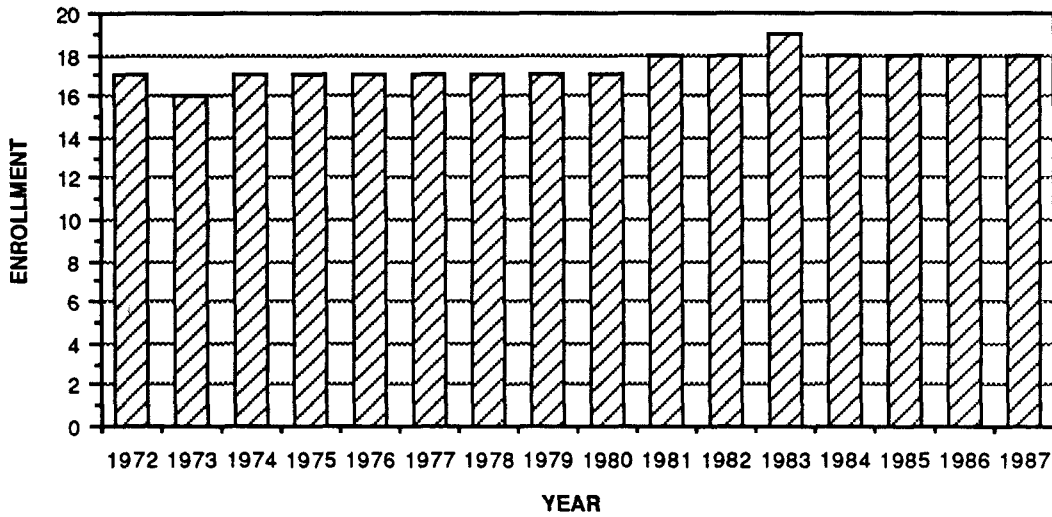


Fig. 9--Median WMU Enrollment in Southern Baptist Churches, 1972-1987

Music

Median music enrollment increased from 19 in 1972 to 26 people in 1981. From 1981 to 1987 median music enrollment has remained the same. (See figure 10). An examination of each of the percentiles for music enrollment for each of the years 1972 to 1987 indicates the trends are about the same for all sizes of music programs with the exception that the 90th percentile has shown increases since 1984, indicating gains among churches with large music programs.

MEDIAN MUSIC ENROLLMENT, 1972-1987

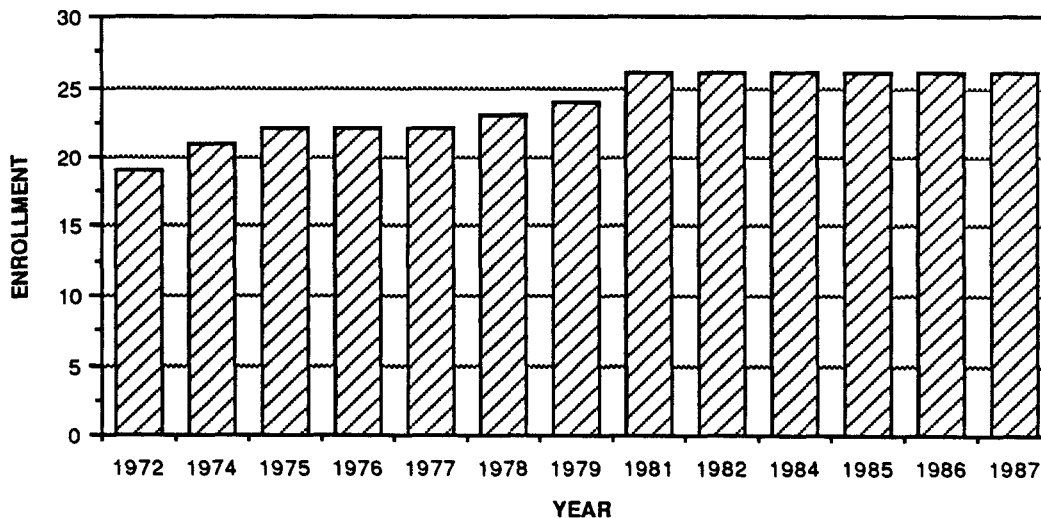


Fig. 10--Median Music Enrollment in Southern Baptist Churches, 1972-1987

Receipts

In 1987 the typical church reported \$47,040 in total receipts and \$46,005 in tithes and offerings. Tithes and offerings as well as total receipts have consistently grown for the typical church. Median tithes and offerings have increased 222 percent from 1972 to 1987 while total receipts increased 225 percent. Most of this increase is due to inflation. Using a deflation factor to compare 1972 and 1987 figures in constant dollars, the real increase over this period was 19 percent for both total receipts and tithes and offerings. Similar rates of growth were experienced by all percentiles.

Only since 1982 have churches reported their tithes and offerings in component parts of designated and undesignated gifts. In 1987 the typical church reported \$39,475 as undesignated gifts and \$4,900 as designated gifts.⁴ Note that the undesignated gifts represent discretionary funds available to a church and that the typical church has less than \$40,000 to support staff, pay building and utilities and fund its programs and ministries.

Median undesignated gifts have increased 27 percent over the last five years while designated gifts have increased 44 percent. When adjusted for inflation these figures translate into 8 percent and 22 percent real increases.

There are variations in percentage changes in designated gifts from 1982 to 1987 for the various percentiles. The 20th, 30th and 40th percentiles have shown the largest percentage increases. This appears to be due to the increase in the number of churches which report designated gifts. This may reflect a growing awareness of the relatively new item on the UCL by church clerks and may simply be a reporting irregularity or it may reflect an increased desire for individuals to designate their contributions.

Expenditures

In 1987 the median SBC church reported \$37,315 in total local expenditures. Furthermore, it reported \$6,025 in total mission expenditures, \$2,600 in Cooperative Program gifts, \$927 in Associational Missions gifts and \$280 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering gifts. Of these items, the median gifts to Associational Missions has increased most rapidly since 1972--409 percent. (Note median Annie Armstrong Easter Offering gifts are only available since 1978.) During the same time frame total mission expenditures have increased by 305 percent; Cooperative Program, 302 percent; and total local expenditures 205 percent. At least in rate of increase, growth in gifts to mission causes has outstripped growth in local expenditures and growth in income for the median church. When adjusted for inflation, the real increase for gifts to Associational Missions from 1972 to 1987 is 87 percent; for total mission expenditures, 49 percent; Cooperative Program, 48 percent; and total local expenditures, 12 percent.

Giving to missions causes has not increased uniformly across the distributions. The rate of increase has varied indirectly with the increase in missions dollars. For example, the 10th percentile of total missions expenditures increased by 331 percent from 1972 to 1987. This percentage was uniformly lower for every increasing percentile. By comparison, the 90th percentile at the other end of the distribution showed a 249 percent increase during the same time. This same phenomenon occurred in Cooperative Program gifts where the 15 year increase ranged uniformly lower from 468 percent for the 20th percentile to 226 percent for the 90th

⁴ Note that median undesignated and designated will not equal median total tithes and offerings. These median financial statistics are derived independently of each other and of the total tithes and offerings. As mentioned earlier, medians do not have the same mathematical properties of means.

percentile. Since those figures are highly correlated with church size, it seems that smaller churches have registered higher rates of increase in their mission giving than larger churches.

Summary

This report examined percentile distributions of selected Uniform Church data for the years 1972 through 1987. These distributions are included in the Appendix. Using the median statistic (50th percentile) a profile of the typical Southern Baptist Church was developed (see table 1). Additional charts displayed changes in median statistics and percentiles during the time span.

The typical church is a small church with 171 resident members, 110 enrolled in Sunday School with 63 average attendance, 27 in Church Training, 18 in WMU and 5 in Brotherhood. The typical church reported 5 baptisms. The typical church has less than \$40,000 in discretionary income of which it gives 7.8 percent through the Cooperative Program and 2.3 percent to its association.

In general, the typical church grew in most membership and enrollment statistics from 1972 to the early 1980s but has stabilized since that time. Financial receipts and expenditures of the typical church have consistently grown. Generally, entire distributions of selected variables as represented by percentiles have consistently changed with the median (50th percentile). The biggest exceptions are contributions to missions causes where the larger increases have been indirectly related to size in the distributions.

APPENDIX

TABLE 2

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1972^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1972	9,890	7,842	999	679	5,293	2,345
90th	1961	773	583	31	37	479	234
80th	1955	481	366	20	21	288	151
70th	1948	349	260	14	14	199	111
60th	1934	271	197	10	10	149	86
50th (Median)	1914	216	152	7	7	116	69
40th	1902	171	120	5	5	91	55
30th	1888	136	93	3	3	71	44
20th	1873	103	69	2	2	55	33
10th	1848	70	46	0	0	38	21
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	227	0	388	4,333	3,851	366	1,145

TABLE 2 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	2,286	709	5,451	954	\$1,133,664	\$1,173,062	. . .
90th	145	87	42	87	69,645	72,531	. . .
80th	98	56	25	53	39,518	40,574	. . .
70th	72	40	15	38	26,443	27,032	. . .
60th	55	28	6	27	19,275	19,666	. . .
50th (Median)	41	17	0	19	14,243	14,490	. . .
40th	27	10	0	2	10,457	10,632	. . .
30th	0	0	0	0	7,504	7,645	. . .
20th	0	0	0	0	5,118	5,200	. . .
10th	0	0	0	0	2,769	2,851	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	10,541	10,541	18,328	12,281	761	683	. . .

TABLE 2 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$1,985,736	\$250,000	\$43,000	\$733,894	. . .
90th	. . .	65,396	6,812	1,200	12,212	. . .
80th	. . .	35,930	3,150	652	5,947	. . .
70th	. . .	23,372	1,792	416	3,516	. . .
60th	. . .	16,679	1,069	280	2,239	. . .
50th (Median)	. . .	12,243	646	182	1,487	. . .
40th	. . .	8,894	388	120	1,005	. . .
30th	. . .	6,221	204	72	640	. . .
20th	. . .	4,165	75	25	358	. . .
10th	. . .	2,204	0	0	130	. . .
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	561	4,022	5,371	1,037	. . .

^aBased on 31,400 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 31,173 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 31,400 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 31,012 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 3

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1973^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1973	17,867	10,665	636	. . .	10,200	5,599
90th	1962	795	595	29	. . .	483	240
80th	1955	494	375	18	. . .	287	153
70th	1948	356	268	13	. . .	200	113
60th	1935	278	201	9	. . .	150	87
50th (Median)	1915	220	156	6	. . .	116	70
40th	1902	174	122	4	. . .	91	55
30th	1889	137	94	3	. . .	71	44
20th	1874	104	70	1	. . .	54	34
10th	1849	70	46	0	. . .	37	22
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	2	0	. . .	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	201	2	586	4,949	. . .	740	882

TABLE 3 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	2,458	1,062	1,636	. . .	\$4,137,550	\$4,565,825	. . .
90th	140	85	43	. . .	78,048	81,782	. . .
80th	94	55	26	. . .	44,214	45,718	. . .
70th	69	39	15	. . .	29,652	30,530	. . .
60th	52	27	7	. . .	21,484	22,107	. . .
50th (Median)	38	16	0	. . .	15,993	16,420	. . .
40th	23	9	0	. . .	11,816	12,170	. . .
30th	0	0	0	. . .	8,442	8,747	. . .
20th	0	0	0	. . .	5,664	5,921	. . .
10th	0	0	0	. . .	2,943	3,232	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	. . .	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	11,851	11,504	19,164	. . .	1,027	713	. . .

TABLE 3 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$5,253,590	\$304,047	\$40,000	\$917,681	. . .
90th	. . .	72,133	7,622	1,339	13,634	. . .
80th	. . .	39,283	3,540	744	6,810	. . .
70th	. . .	25,814	2,020	484	4,063	. . .
60th	. . .	18,593	1,223	320	2,638	. . .
50th (Median)	. . .	13,580	748	217	1,755	. . .
40th	. . .	9,860	449	141	1,183	. . .
30th	. . .	6,999	240	90	758	. . .
20th	. . .	4,596	90	36	424	. . .
10th	. . .	2,454	0	0	151	. . .
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	501	4,271	5,219	1,099	. . .

^aBased on 33,508 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 33,307 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 33,506 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 32,922 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 4

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1974^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1974	18,506	10,810	789	833	10,558	5,833
90th	1962	805	599	29	38	481	240
80th	1955	501	377	18	22	284	153
70th	1948	363	272	12	14	199	113
60th	1936	281	205	9	10	150	88
50th (Median)	1915	225	159	6	7	117	70
40th	1903	177	125	4	5	91	55
30th	1889	140	96	3	3	72	44
20th	1874	105	71	1	2	55	33
10th	1849	71	46	0	0	38	20
0 (Minimum)	1682	3	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	191	0	488	4,964	4,343	319	1,246

TABLE 4 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	2,538	1,150	999	1,775	\$4,185,229	\$5,297,062	. . .
90th	137	85	42	95	85,579	90,195	. . .
80th	93	55	26	57	48,640	50,507	. . .
70th	68	39	15	41	32,880	33,947	. . .
60th	52	27	7	30	24,000	24,580	. . .
50th (Median)	38	17	0	21	17,870	18,375	. . .
40th	21	10	0	13	13,332	13,679	. . .
30th	0	0	0	0	9,580	9,934	. . .
20th	0	0	0	0	6,493	6,712	. . .
10th	0	0	0	0	3,495	3,749	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	12,035	11,354	19,005	11,500	799	627	. . .

TABLE 4 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$5,626,895	\$340,709	\$55,715	\$1,545,701	. . .
90th	. . .	81,998	8,339	1,515	15,472	. . .
80th	. . .	44,298	3,990	850	7,768	. . .
70th	. . .	29,299	2,300	554	4,631	. . .
60th	. . .	21,090	1,393	375	3,031	. . .
50th (Median)	. . .	15,550	869	250	2,041	. . .
40th	. . .	11,376	524	170	1,384	. . .
30th	. . .	8,089	280	105	892	. . .
20th	. . .	5,323	105	50	502	. . .
10th	. . .	2,932	0	0	187	. . .
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	391	4,021	4,781	990	. . .

^aBased on 33,669 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 33,478 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 33,669 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 33,181 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 5

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1975^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1975	18,948	10,902	913	787	10,795	6,016
90th	1963	812	601	29	36	478	240
80th	1956	507	379	18	21	285	155
70th	1949	365	274	13	14	200	115
60th	1937	285	208	9	10	150	90
50th (Median)	1916	226	162	7	7	117	71
40th	1903	179	127	5	5	92	57
30th	1889	141	98	3	3	72	45
20th	1875	106	72	1	2	55	35
10th	1850	70	47	0	0	38	23
0 (Minimum)	1682	3	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	173	1	452	4,701	4,237	346	841

TABLE 5 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	2,674	1,152	999	1,704	\$5,073,720	\$5,666,391	. . .
90th	136	85	43	96	92,959	97,967	. . .
80th	92	55	26	59	52,998	54,565	. . .
70th	68	40	16	42	35,734	36,702	. . .
60th	51	28	8	31	26,225	26,875	. . .
50th (Median)	36	17	0	22	19,451	19,959	. . .
40th	19	10	0	15	14,481	14,836	. . .
30th	0	0	0	0	10,460	10,732	. . .
20th	0	0	0	0	7,060	7,259	. . .
10th	0	0	0	0	3,836	4,035	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	12,506	11,345	19,042	11,268	768	621	. . .

TABLE 5 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$3,860,774	\$316,558	\$44,500	\$1,407,821	. . .
90th	. . .	88,285	9,064	1,660	16,524	. . .
80th	. . .	47,594	4,330	952	8,366	. . .
70th	. . .	31,450	2,506	605	5,074	. . .
60th	. . .	22,521	1,537	414	3,288	. . .
50th (Median)	. . .	16,728	972	285	2,237	. . .
40th	. . .	12,274	592	182	1,524	. . .
30th	. . .	8,830	304	120	975	. . .
20th	. . .	5,885	120	53	550	. . .
10th	. . .	3,181	0	0	209	. . .
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	446	3,867	4,754	962	. . .

^aBased on 34,073 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 33,900 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 34,072 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 33,621 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 6
DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1976^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1976	18,869	11,544	770	904	10,368	5,733
90th	1964	819	606	26	35	488	241
80th	1956	511	382	17	20	290	156
70th	1949	370	276	12	14	204	115
60th	1937	288	210	8	10	152	90
50th (Median)	1916	228	163	6	7	119	71
40th	1903	181	128	4	5	92	57
30th	1889	142	99	3	3	72	45
20th	1875	107	72	1	2	55	35
10th	1850	70	47	0	0	37	23
0 (Minimum)	1682	4	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	166	1	453	4,925	4,284	349	840

TABLE 6 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	2,860	1,288	1,237	1,487	\$5,228,708	\$5,897,712	. . .
90th	133	85	42	97	102,621	107,655	. . .
80th	90	56	26	59	58,357	60,220	. . .
70th	67	40	16	42	39,843	40,747	. . .
60th	50	28	9	31	29,005	29,699	. . .
50th (Median)	35	17	0	22	21,788	22,220	. . .
40th	16	10	0	15	16,266	16,662	. . .
30th	0	0	0	0	11,826	12,120	. . .
20th	0	0	0	0	8,019	8,250	. . .
10th	0	0	0	0	4,423	4,636	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	12,831	11,290	18,956	11,194	746	610	. . .

TABLE 6 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$6,495,890	\$344,449	\$45,178	\$2,622,633	. . .
90th	. . .	94,795	10,077	1,902	18,247	. . .
80th	. . .	52,082	4,891	1,089	9,278	. . .
70th	. . .	34,213	2,854	709	5,663	. . .
60th	. . .	24,594	1,762	485	3,728	. . .
50th (Median)	. . .	18,282	1,122	324	2,519	. . .
40th	. . .	13,590	677	215	1,702	. . .
30th	. . .	9,746	369	125	1,106	. . .
20th	. . .	6,470	150	60	632	. . .
10th	. . .	3,541	0	0	238	. . .
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	424	3,725	4,635	980	. . .

^aBased on 34,200 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 34,034 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 34,199 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 33,747 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 7

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1977^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1977	19,471	10,773	609	837	10,563	5,398
90th	1964	825	607	23	34	485	230
80th	1956	514	383	15	20	287	150
70th	1950	374	278	10	13	201	110
60th	1938	290	212	7	9	150	86
50th (Median)	1917	230	164	5	7	116	69
40th	1904	181	130	4	5	90	55
30th	1889	143	99	2	3	71	44
20th	1875	107	72	1	2	54	33
10th	1850	70	47	0	0	37	22
0 (Minimum)	1682	3	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	150	0	480	5,510	4,426	307	865

TABLE 7 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	3,235	1,474	1,390	1,686	\$5,375,684	\$6,210,825	. . .
90th	130	82	41	97	111,166	117,537	. . .
80th	87	54	26	58	62,966	65,070	. . .
70th	64	38	16	42	42,885	44,068	. . .
60th	48	27	8	31	31,171	31,925	. . .
50th (Median)	33	17	0	22	23,300	23,822	. . .
40th	13	10	0	15	17,522	17,966	. . .
30th	0	0	0	0	12,728	13,061	. . .
20th	0	0	0	0	8,531	8,760	. . .
10th	0	0	0	0	4,697	4,883	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	13,219	11,426	19,069	11,071	755	646	. . .

TABLE 7 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$6,325,185	\$357,789	\$43,300	\$1,935,087	. . .
90th	. . .	102,566	10,867	2,099	19,800	. . .
80th	. . .	56,299	5,285	1,204	10,183	. . .
70th	. . .	36,843	3,089	787	6,206	. . .
60th	. . .	26,305	1,930	540	4,103	. . .
50th (Median)	. . .	19,732	1,223	365	2,775	. . .
40th	. . .	14,645	747	240	1,884	. . .
30th	. . .	10,483	400	145	1,211	. . .
20th	. . .	6,940	163	70	687	. . .
10th	. . .	3,826	0	0	255	. . .
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	501	3,717	4,532	977	. . .

^aBased on 34,368 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 34,218 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 34,368 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 33,888 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 8

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1978^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1978	20,045	10,917	915	918	11,717	5,838
90th	1965	825	603	23	33	473	225
80th	1957	515	383	14	19	281	146
70th	1950	376	278	10	13	197	108
60th	1939	291	212	7	9	147	84
50th (Median)	1918	230	165	5	6	114	67
40th	1904	182	129	3	5	89	54
30th	1889	143	99	2	3	70	42
20th	1875	107	72	1	2	53	32
10th	1850	69	46	0	0	36	21
0 (Minimum)	1682	3	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	135	3	385	5,669	4,699	330	769

TABLE 8 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	3,585	1,827	1,488	1,618	\$6,156,132	\$6,860,591	. . .
90th	127	80	40	99	121,399	129,201	. . .
80th	86	53	25	60	68,422	70,668	. . .
70th	63	37	15	43	46,986	48,323	. . .
60th	47	26	8	32	33,911	34,785	. . .
50th (Median)	32	17	0	23	25,560	26,182	. . .
40th	12	10	0	16	19,259	19,693	. . .
30th	0	0	0	3	14,006	14,358	. . .
20th	0	0	0	0	9,490	9,818	. . .
10th	0	0	0	0	5,228	5,450	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	13,213	11,177	18,725	9,359	699	594	. . .

TABLE 8 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$6,531,628	\$429,876	\$49,521	\$2,376,516	\$22,951
90th	. . .	110,088	12,000	2,368	21,778	915
80th	. . .	60,617	5,899	1,367	11,243	497
70th	. . .	40,150	3,474	900	6,990	300
60th	. . .	28,826	2,160	605	4,617	188
50th (Median)	. . .	21,436	1,379	420	3,120	107
40th	. . .	16,030	847	284	2,132	50
30th	. . .	11,429	471	175	1,381	0
20th	. . .	7,698	193	85	786	0
10th	. . .	4,227	0	0	300	0
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	453	3,601	4,363	927	11,557

^aBased on 34,544 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 34,409 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 34,541 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 34,159 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 9

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1979^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1979	21,093	10,964	938	998	10,085	6,033
90th	1966	834	608	25	34	467	223
80th	1957	519	385	15	19	278	145
70th	1950	377	279	11	13	195	107
60th	1939	292	213	8	9	146	83
50th (Median)	1919	231	166	5	7	113	66
40th	1904	184	129	4	5	88	53
30th	1890	144	100	2	3	69	42
20th	1875	107	73	1	2	52	32
10th	1850	69	47	0	0	36	21
0 (Minimum)	1682	3	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	163	4	393	5,404	4,581	295	739

TABLE 9 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	4,322	1,868	1,457	1,555	\$7,100,000	\$7,200,000	. . .
90th	126	78	40	100	135,000	142,538	. . .
80th	84	51	25	61	76,007	78,950	. . .
70th	62	37	16	43	51,896	53,306	. . .
60th	45	26	9	33	37,940	38,847	. . .
50th (Median)	31	17	0	24	28,459	29,105	. . .
40th	10	10	0	17	21,382	21,884	. . .
30th	0	0	0	5	15,456	15,900	. . .
20th	0	0	0	0	10,578	10,885	. . .
10th	0	0	0	0	5,864	6,100	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	13,463	11,112	18,599	8,417	676	571	. . .

TABLE 9 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$5,182,316	\$410,304	\$200,554	. . .	. . .
90th	. . .	121,396	13,199	2,645	. . .	. . .
80th	. . .	66,260	6,546	1,558	. . .	. . .
70th	. . .	44,032	3,867	1,016	. . .	. . .
60th	. . .	31,743	2,411	696	. . .	. . .
50th (Median)	. . .	23,566	1,549	480	. . .	. . .
40th	. . .	17,580	955	308	. . .	. . .
30th	. . .	12,617	525	198	. . .	. . .
20th	. . .	8,481	225	100	. . .	. . .
10th	. . .	4,650	0	0	. . .	. . .
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	. . .	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	443	3,555	4,277	. . .	. . .

^aBased on 35,278 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 35,150 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 35,278 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 35,773 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 10

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1980^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1980	21,793	13,500	2,028	. . .	11,000	6,627
90th	1967	840	612	29	. . .	465	225
80th	1957	526	389	18	. . .	279	146
70th	1951	382	283	12	. . .	196	109
60th	1940	296	215	9	. . .	148	85
50th (Median)	1920	233	168	6	. . .	115	68
40th	1904	185	131	4	. . .	90	55
30th	1890	144	100	3	. . .	70	43
20th	1875	107	74	1	. . .	53	32
10th	1850	69	48	0	. . .	36	21
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	2	0	. . .	2	1
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	142	6	433	4,767	. . .	279	742

TABLE 10 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	4,570	1,697	1,643	. . .	\$7,700,000	\$7,800,000	. . .
90th	128	79	41	. . .	147,715	156,005	. . .
80th	86	52	26	. . .	82,962	87,156	. . .
70th	63	37	17	. . .	56,601	58,516	. . .
60th	46	26	10	. . .	41,201	42,259	. . .
50th (Median)	31	17	0	. . .	30,935	31,878	. . .
40th	11	10	0	. . .	23,173	23,907	. . .
30th	0	0	0	. . .	16,825	17,453	. . .
20th	0	0	0	. . .	11,603	12,036	. . .
10th	0	0	0	. . .	6,441	6,756	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	. . .	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	13,417	11,035	18,101	. . .	682	573	. . .

TABLE 10 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	. . .	\$6,221,187	\$517,205	\$125,000	\$3,445,900	\$45,051
90th	. . .	132,938	14,568	2,953	26,870	1,190
80th	. . .	72,998	7,188	1,727	14,185	650
70th	. . .	48,500	4,280	1,147	8,782	406
60th	. . .	34,951	2,699	780	5,831	260
50th (Median)	. . .	26,032	1,723	540	3,934	160
40th	. . .	19,553	1,067	358	2,668	90
30th	. . .	14,179	600	220	1,725	20
20th	. . .	9,539	250	108	978	0
10th	. . .	5,242	16	0	364	0
0 (Minimum)	. . .	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . .	423	3,419	4,251	986	10,004

^aBased on 34,873 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 34,731 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 34,867 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 34,440 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 11

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1981^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1981	22,732	14,232	1,193	1,784	11,801	6,248
90th	1968	848	615	27	34	469	226
80th	1958	530	391	17	20	280	146
70th	1951	383	284	12	13	196	109
60th	1940	297	216	8	9	147	85
50th (Median)	1920	235	169	6	7	115	68
40th	1905	186	131	4	5	89	54
30th	1890	144	101	3	3	70	42
20th	1876	108	74	1	2	53	32
10th	1850	69	47	0	0	35	21
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	136	0	379	4,974	4,498	284	765

TABLE 11 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	4,621	1,603	1,675	1,567	\$7,541,155	\$9,600,005	. . .
90th	129	79	42	106	164,155	173,635	. . .
80th	86	52	27	65	91,565	95,855	. . .
70th	63	38	17	46	61,405	63,455	. . .
60th	45	27	10	35	44,815	46,305	. . .
50th (Median)	30	18	0	26	33,475	34,515	. . .
40th	11	11	0	19	25,185	26,035	. . .
30th	0	0	0	11	18,465	19,205	. . .
20th	0	0	0	0	12,655	13,135	. . .
10th	0	0	0	0	7,165	7,465	. . .
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	. . .
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	13,285	10,807	17,749	7,229	696	601	. . .

TABLE 11 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	\$647,640	\$85,035	\$1,457,110	\$108,315
90th	16,000	3,313	29,806	1,315
80th	7,917	1,908	15,557	730
70th	4,706	1,260	9,690	463
60th	2,979	879	6,376	300
50th (Median)	1,909	600	4,321	185
40th	1,190	401	2,925	100
30th	655	249	1,884	25
20th	288	120	1,083	0
10th	15	0	400	0
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	3,455	4,203	1,028	9,843

^aBased on 35,000 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 34,864 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 35,000 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 34,621 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 12

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1982^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1982	23,331	14,321	1,286	1,129	12,203	6,001
90th	1969	853	618	26	33	475	226
80th	1959	534	394	17	19	281	145
70th	1952	386	287	12	13	199	108
60th	1941	299	219	8	9	148	84
50th (Median)	1921	237	171	6	7	115	67
40th	1905	187	133	4	5	90	54
30th	1890	145	102	3	3	70	42
20th	1876	108	74	1	2	53	32
10th	1850	69	47	0	0	35	21
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	128	0	505	4,969	4,532	304	757

TABLE 12 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	4,853	1,187	951	2,043	\$9,996,675	\$11,400,005	\$5,800,000
90th	137	81	43	107	180,757	191,154	150,597
80th	90	53	27	65	100,507	104,701	84,583
70th	65	39	18	46	67,395	69,495	57,316
60th	47	28	11	35	48,635	50,055	41,400
50th (Median)	32	18	2	26	36,145	37,085	31,000
40th	14	11	0	19	27,265	28,073	23,276
30th	0	1	0	12	19,795	20,455	16,978
20th	0	0	0	2	13,445	14,009	11,294
10th	0	0	0	0	7,207	7,695	5,525
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	12,765	10,501	17,258	6,704	949	793	1,546

TABLE 12 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	\$5,122,975	\$10,662,005	\$776,642	\$115,664	\$1,773,000	\$132,000
90th	31,122	154,851	17,512	3,627	32,067	1,441
80th	14,904	83,985	8,648	2,100	16,944	784
70th	8,762	55,369	5,119	1,395	10,482	500
60th	5,499	39,977	3,230	970	6,929	317
50th (Median)	3,409	29,785	2,050	660	4,684	200
40th	2,034	22,435	1,262	444	3,159	108
30th	1,027	16,255	707	275	2,049	35
20th	331	10,999	300	125	1,153	0
10th	0	6,245	20	0	422	0
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	4,960	463	3,441	4,156	1,006	9,517

^aBased on 35,278 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 35,150 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 35,278 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 35,773 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 13

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1983^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1983	24,429	15,225	1,350	. . .	12,622	6,539
90th	1970	861	619	25	. . .	480	227
80th	1959	533	392	16	. . .	285	146
70th	1952	387	287	11	. . .	200	107
60th	1942	300	219	8	. . .	149	82
50th (Median)	1921	237	171	6	. . .	116	65
40th	1905	187	133	4	. . .	90	50
30th	1891	145	102	2	. . .	70	40
20th	1876	107	74	1	. . .	53	28
10th	1850	68	47	0	. . .	35	15
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	2	0	. . .	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . . ^e	. . . ^e	. . . ^e	5,318	. . .	. . .^e	. . . ^e

TABLE 13 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	5,222	1,432	1,742	. . .	\$10,858,835	\$12,259,565	\$6,344,175
90th	140	81	45	. . .	192,409	203,665	160,359
80th	91	54	29	. . .	106,991	110,927	89,885
70th	65	39	19	. . .	71,659	73,719	61,125
60th	47	28	12	. . .	51,465	52,889	44,125
50th (Median)	31	19	4	. . .	38,445	39,515	33,005
40th	15	11	0	. . .	29,035	29,805	24,875
30th	0	3	0	. . .	21,115	21,755	18,175
20th	0	0	0	. . .	14,415	14,905	12,239
10th	0	0	0	. . .	7,855	8,215	6,215
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	. . .	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	12,583	10,236	16,923	. . .	838	756	. . . ^e

TABLE 13 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	\$5,485,275	\$15,817,875	\$1,209,240	\$326,936	\$3,331,539	\$54,813
90th	33,411	167,305	18,639	2,926	34,308	1,548
80th	16,085	89,431	9,200	2,277	18,076	844
70th	9,579	58,669	5,451	1,500	11,187	528
60th	6,105	42,235	3,422	1,041	7,363	342
50th (Median)	3,864	31,395	2,198	720	5,000	213
40th	2,334	23,585	1,352	490	3,367	123
30th	1,235	17,025	759	300	2,197	47
20th	469	11,515	336	150	1,238	0
10th	0	6,415	30	0	454	0
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	. . . ^e	291	3,373	. . . ^e	. . . ^e	9,246

^aBased on 35,422 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 35,313 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 35,419 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 34,923 churches reporting resident membership.

^eNot available.

TABLE 14

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1984^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1984	25,362	15,459	1,183	1,542	12,666	6,962
90th	1971	869	620	24	32	479	225
80th	1960	536	393	15	18	285	144
70th	1952	392	289	10	12	200	105
60th	1942	303	220	7	9	149	80
50th (Median)	1922	239	172	5	6	115	64
40th	1906	189	134	4	4	89	50
30th	1891	146	102	2	3	69	38
20th	1876	108	74	1	2	52	27
10th	1850	68	47	0	0	34	14
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	87	6	4	5,620	4,705	298	2,309

TABLE 14 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	8,973	1,329	1,477	2,162	\$9,765,656	\$13,446,336	\$7,950,185
90th	137	81	45	107	208,063	221,425	170,651
80th	90	53	28	65	114,823	118,931	96,503
70th	64	38	19	46	76,359	78,695	65,159
60th	46	27	12	35	55,421	56,777	47,041
50th (Median)	31	18	5	26	41,495	42,595	35,300
40th	14	11	0	19	30,949	31,805	26,545
30th	0	3	0	13	22,615	23,305	19,385
20th	0	0	0	2	15,385	15,817	13,105
10th	0	0	0	0	8,435	8,785	6,915
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	12,661	10,206	16,804	6,259	790	737	1,165

TABLE 14 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	\$5,932,586	\$14,310,946	\$944,512	\$139,449	\$1,979,875	\$75,000
90th	36,977	174,907	19,740	4,202	36,894	1,682
80th	17,807	94,163	9,749	2,439	19,247	921
70th	10,613	61,325	5,800	1,613	11,950	570
60th	6,708	43,951	3,660	1,132	7,911	372
50th (Median)	4,230	32,840	2,357	786	5,376	233
40th	2,604	24,515	1,439	535	3,640	130
30th	1,422	17,685	811	325	2,342	50
20th	560	11,935	360	171	1,323	0
10th	0	6,546	40	0	500	0
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	3,887	472	3,267	3,977	1,045	9,199

^aBased on 35,471 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 35,384 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 35,465 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 35,467 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 15

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1985^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1985	26,269	16,201	1,135	1,910	12,865	6,784
90th	1972	870	618	22	31	486	223
80th	1960	539	394	14	18	284	142
70th	1953	393	288	10	12	198	103
60th	1943	303	220	7	8	148	80
50th (Median)	1922	239	171	5	6	114	65
40th	1906	187	133	3	4	89	51
30th	1891	145	101	2	3	68	40
20th	1876	107	73	1	1	51	30
10th	1850	67	47	0	0	34	20
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	85	2	1	5,852	5,106	263	731

TABLE 15 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	6,984	1,432	1,664	2,267	\$13,599,416	\$16,444,216	\$7,619,005
90th	137	81	45	109	217,319	231,636	178,187
80th	88	53	28	65	119,625	124,091	99,855
70th	62	38	19	46	79,125	81,575	67,075
60th	44	27	11	34	57,385	59,015	48,767
50th (Median)	29	18	5	26	42,625	43,845	36,335
40th	12	11	0	19	31,985	33,005	27,495
30th	0	3	0	12	23,335	24,045	19,917
20th	0	0	0	2	15,805	16,385	13,495
10th	0	0	0	0	8,715	9,155	7,035
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	12,905	10,318	16,954	6,186	795	729	1,170

TABLE 15 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	\$8,591,166	\$20,861,916	\$988,148	\$177,800	\$4,127,225	\$58,000
90th	39,963	187,570	20,561	4,425	38,918	1,777
80th	18,662	98,703	10,144	2,582	20,275	982
70th	11,000	64,804	5,980	1,704	12,522	605
60th	6,972	46,427	3,788	1,200	8,229	389
50th (Median)	4,514	34,665	2,410	826	5,601	250
40th	2,826	25,965	1,500	569	3,815	137
30th	1,530	18,875	855	355	2,456	50
20th	634	12,609	385	180	1,408	0
10th	0	6,995	48	0	528	0
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	615	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	3,752	487	3,278	4,031	0	9,177

^aBased on 35,613 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 35,528 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 35,611 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 35,612 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 16

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1986^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1986	26,905	16,526	1,182	1,791	13,741	7,649
90th	1973	874	620	23	32	486	224
80th	1961	541	395	14	18	282	142
70th	1953	397	289	10	12	195	103
60th	1944	304	221	7	8	146	80
50th (Median)	1923	239	172	5	6	112	64
40th	1906	188	133	4	4	87	51
30th	1891	145	101	2	3	67	40
20th	1876	107	73	1	1	50	30
10th	1850	68	47	0	0	33	20
0 (Minimum)	1682	2	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	72	10	9	5,729	5,017	279	616

TABLE 16 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	7,317	1,410	1,784	2,263	\$13,444,726	\$15,898,526	\$7,704,455
90th	136	82	45	112	231,547	245,013	187,843
80th	86	53	28	66	124,795	129,721	104,535
70th	60	38	19	47	82,945	85,619	70,099
60th	43	27	12	35	59,845	61,527	51,015
50th (Median)	28	18	5	26	44,795	46,005	38,335
40th	11	11	0	19	33,225	34,263	28,603
30th	0	3	0	13	24,295	25,095	20,845
20th	0	0	0	2	16,595	17,175	14,125
10th	0	0	0	0	9,215	9,655	7,517
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	13,069	10,299	16,885	6,098	798	718	1,086

TABLE 16 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	\$6,241,995	\$29,123,784	\$1,000,000	\$115,104	\$3,883,784	\$62,255
90th	42,319	197,471	21,665	4,700	40,921	1,839
80th	19,620	102,591	10,558	2,737	21,044	1,001
70th	11,650	67,335	6,228	1,800	12,983	617
60th	7,466	48,155	3,930	1,245	8,613	405
50th (Median)	4,832	35,975	2,535	889	5,883	254
40th	3,000	26,685	1,583	600	3,992	145
30th	1,667	19,151	900	383	2,577	54
20th	721	12,949	406	200	1,485	0
10th	0	7,155	50	0	555	0
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	3,589	557	3,218	3,886	1,070	9,080

^aBased on 35,708 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 35,636 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 35,708 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 35,699 churches reporting resident membership.

TABLE 17

DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED UNIFORM CHURCH LETTER ITEMS, 1987^a

Percentile	Year Organized ^b	Total Members ^c	Resident Members ^d	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Weekly Sunday School Attendance
100th (Maximum)	1987	27,655	15,981	1,206	1,415	13,702	7,350
90th	1974	874	618	22	31	480	220
80th	1961	543	394	13	17	278	140
70th	1953	396	286	9	12	193	101
60th	1944	304	220	6	8	143	79
50th (Median)	1923	239	171	5	6	110	63
40th	1906	187	133	3	4	86	50
30th	1891	145	101	2	2	66	40
20th	1876	106	72	1	1	49	30
10th	1850	67	46	0	0	32	20
0 (Minimum)	1682	1	1	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	41	10	10	6,341	5,387	302	645

TABLE 17 Continued

Percentile	Church Training	Woman's Missionary Union	Brotherhood	Music Enrollment	Tithes and Offerings	Total Receipts	Undesignated Gifts
100th (Maximum)	7,517	4,039	1,233	1,990	\$12,787,586	\$15,138,946	\$7,523,135
90th	134	83	45	113	240,477	254,050	194,714
80th	85	53	28	66	129,985	135,075	107,813
70th	60	38	19	47	85,292	87,635	71,972
60th	42	27	12	35	61,581	63,195	52,175
50th (Median)	27	18	5	26	45,930	47,040	39,475
40th	11	11	0	19	34,249	35,145	29,709
30th	0	3	0	13	25,015	25,745	21,595
20th	0	0	0	2	17,065	17,685	14,615
10th	0	0	0	0	9,576	9,955	7,885
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	13,111	10,314	16,764	6,054	755	695	1,016

TABLE 17 Continued

Percentile	Designated Gifts	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission Gifts	Total Mission Expenditures	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
100th (Maximum)	\$7,016,315	\$17,994,164	\$1,000,000	\$117,906	\$3,677,309	\$66,385
90th	45,385	207,544	22,210	4,917	42,443	1,998
80th	20,405	107,873	10,833	2,883	21,545	1,062
70th	12,078	69,895	6,344	1,899	13,385	667
60th	7,643	49,705	4,038	1,311	8,833	435
50th (Median)	4,900	37,315	2,600	927	6,025	280
40th	3,062	27,945	1,620	618	4,098	157
30th	1,717	20,045	928	400	2,649	70
20th	770	13,525	426	200	1,520	0
10th	40	7,446	50	0	560	0
0 (Minimum)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of churches not reporting or reporting zero	3,449	518	3,256	3,970	1,085	8,631

^aBased on 35,771 churches with current status codes.

^bBased on 35,771 churches reporting date of organization.

^cBased on 35,761 churches reporting total membership.

^dBased on 35,761 churches reporting resident membership.