

## Immanuel RPC Session Report to Great Lakes-Gulf Presbytery March 4-6, 2021

Covering February 2021 through February 2022

As is well-known to the presbytery, the session at IRPC has been undergoing many changes over the past year. The session has had four different moderators since January of 2021. Pastor Olivetti was on sabbatical leave of absence the first five months of 2021 during which Keith Magill moderated the session. We had many guest preachers in his absence. Bill Roberts was our provisional moderator of Session until June 2021. Ken de Jong is now our provisional moderator and our current provisional elders are John Hanson and Terry Magnuson. These men, especially Ken de Jong, have worked strenuously to help us.

The session has met in constituted court 41 times, including two joint meetings with the congregation for the purpose of conducting elder elections, and one meeting for the ordination of Oluyemi Aladejebi. We anticipate one more such meeting this coming Lord's Day for the ordination of Samuel Carr, Joshua Karshen, and Matthew Wilburn. The highlights of session meetings have been 26 interviews throughout the year with individuals and families coming into communicant membership in the congregation. Also highlights were examinations of the four incoming elders. We have been repeatedly reminded of the grace of the Lord as He works in His people to prepare them for lives to His praise.

During this time, the session began with five ruling elders. Nate Pfeiffer and Zachary Blackwood resigned in March of 2021, with the addition of provisional elders, Bill Roberts, Wade Mann, and John Hanson. Ken de Jong was added as a provisional elder in May of 2021, and Jeff Kessler and Terry Magnuson were added in June of 2021. Mr. Kessler withdrew from the session in October, with the election and addition of Oluyemi Aladejebi. In January of 2022, Pastor Olivetti and ruling elders Keith Magill, Ben Larson, and David Carr resigned effective January 17, 2022. The congregation elected four elders on January 21; three will be ordained and installed February 20, Sam Carr, Josh Karshen, and Matt Wilburn. That will give us four resident ruling elders. We have been blessed by Bill Roberts who is planning to preach for us most Sabbaths for the next months.

More difficult has been the repeated attacks on the congregation through the actions of members of our churches outside the congregation. As of this date, these members have been continuing to pursue civil litigation against the congregation and presbytery. There is strong evidence that they and other members have persisted in working with the Indianapolis Star and, by extension, other journalists to defame the congregation; and others from around the denomination have further contributed to this defamation by means of social media platforms. Our interactions with the synodical commission have not, to this date, indicated any anticipated actions on their part with respect to these matters.

The congregation also has undergone many changes over the year as well, but is continuing to grow, with plans in the works for a new membership class in the coming weeks. This growth in size has been well supported by meeting in the new building on Yeager Road. We are making progress on the big project of renovating the facility. Meeting in the lower level of the building is satisfactory for worship at present, though we are looking forward to moving to the main auditorium where we will have plenty of room for our many visitors.

The table on the following page indicates changes in membership during the calendar 2021 period.

Among the many joys and sadness encountered, we grieved over the death of 19 year old Emma Conner on September 17, 2021, who was killed in a rear-end auto wreck. She was telling the hospital staff about Jesus her Lord on her way into her last surgery. We are thankful for this and many other instances of the

witness to the gospel in the congregation's life, in the face of much hardship and heartache. The Lord is faithful.

Recommendation: That the three provisional elders continue to work with our new session, with terms up to the summer meeting of presbytery, or such time as the provisional elders deem the new session is better able to operate on its own.

In Christ,

Oluyemi Aladejebi (clerk), Kenneth de Jong (moderator), John Hanson, Terry Magnuson.

<b>Immanuel RPC</b>	
<b>Membership 2021</b>	
<b>Increase</b>	
Baptism	6
Profession of faith	13
Increase from RPCNA	1
Increase from churches	6
Increase - Other	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Decrease</b>	
Death	1
Decrease to RPCNA	10
Decrease to churches	10
Final Removal	16
Decrease - Other	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Summary - Total Members</b>	
<b>12/31/2019</b>	190
<b>Increase</b>	29
<b>Decrease</b>	-45
<b>12/31/2020</b>	<b>174</b>
<b>Baptized members professing faith</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>New members professing faith and baptized</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Communicant Members</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Average Worship Attendance in person</b>	
<b>June 26-Dec 31, 2021</b>	<b>137</b>

<b>Treasurer's Report: Finances in Review</b>				
<b>IRPC 2021-2022 Budget</b>				
Line #	Budget Category	Proposed 2021-2022 Budget	2020 - 2021 Budget	2020 - 2021 Actuals
	<b>Income</b>			
1	<b>Tithes</b>	254,600.00	250,000.00	277,859.36
2	<b>Dividends &amp; Interest</b>	50.00	500.00	119.63
3	<b>Transfer from Ministry Expansion Fund</b>	0.00	5,000.00	3,700.00
4	<b>Total General Fund Income</b>	254,650.00	255,500.00	281,678.99
5	<b>Special Offerings - Misc</b>			28,322.20
6	<b>Special Offerings - Building</b>			30,700.00
7	<b>Total Income</b>	254,650.00	255,500.00	340,701.19
	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>			
	<b>Allowances/Salaries</b>			
8	Salary	49,800.00	47,800.00	47,800.08
9	Housing	32,200.00	32,200.00	32,200.08
10	Healthcare Coverage	3,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
11	Pension	13,000.00	13,000.00	13,250.00
12	<i>Long Term Disability Ins.</i>	1,200.00	1,200.00	
13	<b>Total allowances/salaries</b>	99,200.00	99,200.00	98,250.16
	<b>Building/Facilities</b>			
14	Mortgage	25,753.32	0.00	9,499.53
15	Insurance	4,500.00	3,100.00	5,962.98
16	Maintenance	5,000.00	2,000.00	4,907.90
17	Utilities	14,000.00	10,000.00	9,145.58
18	Debt Reduction			0.00
19	Building	30,896.68	58,900.00	21,362.52
20	<b>Total Building/Facilities</b>	80,150.00	74,000.00	50,878.51
	<b>Giving</b>			
21	RPM&M	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
22	Missionaries-Guest Speakers	400.00	400.00	0.00
23	Bill Sebald (Liberia)	5,000.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
24	Peter (C.O.M.)	10,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
25	Rut Etheridge-Geneva College	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
26	Christina Riepe (Wycliffe)	3,600.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
27	Mercy Ministry - Total	2,500.00	2,500.00	7,566.68
28	Scholarships	1,400.00	1,400.00	935.00
29	Adoption	800.00	800.00	0.00
31	International Justice Mission	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
32	Pro-Life Ministries	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00
33	Greater Lafayette Gospel	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
34	South Sudan	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
35	Pakistan Mission	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
36	Missions Month	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
37	<b>Total Giving</b>	37,200.00	32,400.00	33,201.68

	<b>Ministry Expense</b>			
38	Presbytery Assessment	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,307.07
39	Synod Assessment	6,500.00	5,000.00	6,163.00
40	Pastor's Expense	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,195.53
41	Continuing Education	1,500.00	3,000.00	0.00
42	Facilities Admin & Planning	0.00	5,000.00	3,700.00
43	Ministry Expansion (Magill)	0.00	5,000.00	3,700.00
43	Office Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00	744.90
44	Administrative Assistant	6,700.00	6,500.00	6,748.53
45	Christian Education	500.00	500.00	346.18
46	Guest Speaker	2,000.00	1,200.00	7,714.04
47	Domestic Supplies	2,200.00	2,200.00	1,163.97
48	Church Literature	1,000.00	1,000.00	524.41
49	Outreach	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,178.35
50	VBS	1,000.00	800.00	245.70
51	Hospitality	500.00	500.00	194.25
52	Social	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
53	Session	3,000.00	900.00	2,500.30
54	Youth Group	4,000.00	2,100.00	1,391.77
55	Ministry Expansion (Intern)	0.00	7,000.00	0.00
56	<b>Total Ministry Expense</b>	<b>38,100.00</b>	<b>49,900.00</b>	<b>39,818.00</b>
57	<b>Total Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>254,650.00</b>	<b>255,500.00</b>	<b>222,148.35</b>
58	<b>Special Offering Expenses - Total</b>			<b>29990.38</b>
59	<b>Total Expenses</b>			<b>252,138.73</b>

<b>IRPC Savings &amp; Allocations</b>		
<b>Fund #</b>	<b>Total Carry-Over Savings (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$158,627.43</b>
	<b>General Fund (July 1, 2020) (\$10,000+ unspent mortgage payment \$38,037.36)</b>	<b>\$48,037.36</b>
	<b>YTD General Fund Income</b>	\$281,678.99
	<b>YTD Special Offerings - Misc</b>	\$28,322.20
	<b>YTD Total Expenses</b>	-\$252,138.73
	Withdrawal: Pay Off Mortgage (\$38,037.36 + \$11,233.39+580.06), Wire for 2212 Yeager Rd \$204,438 + wire fee \$25	-\$254,313.81
	Transfer From Mercy Fund \$5066.68	\$5,066.68
	{Transfer from BldgFnd (to pay off mortgage per Congr. Meeting) +\$11233.39}, {Sale of 600 N +\$422,279.00}, (RPCNA grant +\$10,000-toward 2212Yeager price), Transfer to Bldg Fund -\$281094.25	\$152,418.14
<b>1</b>	<b>General Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$9,070.83</b>
	<b>Building Fund (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$53,375.41</b>
	<b>YTD Special Offering - Building</b>	\$30,700.00
	Withdrawal / Transfer Building Fund	\$269,860.86
<b>2</b>	<b>Building Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$353,936.27</b>
	<b>Maintenance Fund (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
	Withdrawal / Transfer Maintenance Fund	\$0.00
<b>3</b>	<b>Maintenance Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
	<b>Outreach Fund (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$3,313.94</b>
	Withdrawal / Transfer Outreach Fund	\$0.00
<b>4</b>	<b>Outreach Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$3,313.94</b>
	<b>Continuing Education Fund (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$3,584.80</b>
	Withdrawal / Transfer Pastor Continuing Ed Fund	\$0.00
<b>5</b>	<b>Continuing Education Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$3,584.80</b>
	<b>Ministry Expansion Fund (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$14,332.66</b>
	Withdrawal / Transfer External Ministry Fund	-\$3,700.00
<b>6</b>	<b>Ministry Expansion Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$10,632.66</b>
	<b>Mercy Fund (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$10,682.23</b>
	Withdrawal / Transfer Mercy Fund	-\$5,066.68
<b>7</b>	<b>Mercy Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$5,615.55</b>
	<b>Adoption Fund (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$5,732.76</b>
	Withdrawal / Transfer Adoption Fund	\$7,494.59
<b>8</b>	<b>Adoption Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$13,227.35</b>
	<b>Women's Retreat Fund (July 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$937.00</b>
	Withdrawal / Transfer Women's Retreat Fund	-\$15.17
<b>9</b>	<b>Women's Retreat Fund (As of June 30, 2021)</b>	<b>\$921.83</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Center for Congregations Grant - Lilly (As of Jul 1, 2020)</b>	<b>\$4,410.08</b>

