



2019 Congregational Report

Please complete this report so we have accurate information about the NALC. We recommend printing **the questions from the email sent to NALC congregations or from the NALC website and completing them prior to starting this form.** There are 57 questions that should take you about 35 minutes to complete if you have printed and answered the questions in advance. You must complete the online form in one session or you will have to start over completely. However, you are able to go back and change answers on previous pages as needed during the session. **Please complete the report by July 19.**

If you are unable to complete the online form, a paper copy may be mailed to the NALC office at 2299 Palmer Drive, Suite 220 - New Brighton MN 55112-2202; you may fax it to 651-633-4260; or you may scan and email it as an attachment to agleason@thenalc.org.

Required questions are marked with a red *. You will not be able to submit the report unless you have answered all the required questions. Please note, some required questions have multiple lines to be answered.

*** 1. Congregation name**

*** 2. Congregation mailing address and contact information (Please note: the email address you provide here will be listed on the NALC website)**

Address:

City/Town:

State/Province:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Country:

Email Address:

Work Phone:

3. Congregation worship location (if different from mailing address)

Location name:

Address:

City/Town:

State/Province:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Country:

4. Congregation website address (if applicable)

*** 5. What year does your congregation use for determining the congregation's anniversary? Please use YYYY format**

6. Which option best describes your setting?

- Farming area
- Small town or rural city
- Metropolitan city
- Suburb of large city

7. Campus type

- Single location
- Multiple locations

If multiple locations, how many?

8. Are you a multi-point parish?

- Yes
- No (Skip to Q. 10)

9. If yes, please list the name of the other congregation(s) and location(s)

10. If affiliated with a Lutheran church (in addition to the NALC), please check all that apply

- Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC)
- Other (please specify)

*** 11. Total baptized membership - how many of your members are baptized? Include infants, children, youth and adults**

2019

2018

2017

*** 12. Total confirmed membership - how many of your members are confirmed? Include youth and adults**

2019

2018

2017

*** 13. Average weekly worship attendance (Enter 0 if none)**

2019

2018

2017

*** 14. Were there any changes in your pastoral staff in 2019?**

- Yes
- No

15. List all pastors serving under call to your congregation (name and position)

16. List all pastors serving your congregation but not under call (name and position)

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17. List all commissioned lay ministers serving your congregation (name and position)

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18. Number of full-time staff members not listed in questions 15 to 17

Enter 0 if none

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19. Number of part-time staff members not listed in questions 15 to 17

Enter 0 if none

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20. Did your pastor participate in any continuing education opportunities this year?

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please describe

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21. Number of members added in 2019 in the following categories

Infant baptism

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Adult baptism

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Confirmation

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Transfer

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Affirmation of faith

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22. Number of members removed in 2019 in the following categories

Death

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Transfer

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Other

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*** 23. 2019 Budget information**

(You must have an answer in each field; enter 0 if none; round to the nearest dollar (no decimals and cents); numbers only please, no symbols like comma (,) or \$)

Total budgeted income

Total budgeted expense

Total actual income from all sources

Total actual expense

Building and infrastructure costs (includes mortgage payments, insurance, utilities, building and grounds maintenance)

Personnel costs (includes compensation and benefits, continuing education, supply pastors and part-time musicians)

NALC benevolence (includes gifts to the operating fund, Great Commission Fund, Theological Education Fund, Disaster Response Fund and/or Ethiopian Church Relief Fund)

NALC mission district benevolence

24. Has your congregation used the *Stewards of God's Influence* materials provided by the NALC Living & Giving Stewardship Team?

Yes

No

*** 25. Do you have a team(s) dedicated to discerning, praying about, studying, organizing and communicating mission outreach and congregational multiplication efforts?**

- No (Skip to Q. 27)
- No, but we would like more information about building a team. (Skip to Q. 27)
- Yes
- If yes, please list name(s) and contact information

26. If you answered yes to Q. 25, who are your team(s)' efforts let by? Check all that apply

- Lay-led
- Pastor
- Council

27. Is your congregation involved with or support any of the following types of ministries? Check all that apply

- Local ministry
- Domestic ministry
- Global ministry
- None of the above

28. What does your relationship with these ministries include? Check all that apply

- Financial support
- Prayer partnership
- Service together
- Regular correspondence
- Pulpit exchange
- Other (please specify)

29. How did you find the ministries you are involved with/support? Check all that apply

- Community connection
- Parishioner
- Mission district connection
- NALC website
- Other (please specify)

30. Has your congregation planted a mission start?

- We have planted a mission start.
- We are currently planting a mission start.
- We would like information about planting a mission start.
- None of the above

31. If you are currently planting a mission start, are you partnering with another congregation?

- Yes
- No
- Other (please specify)

32. What streams of funding are you using for your mission work? Check all that apply

- Individual participants
- Congregational budget
- Special gifts (endowment funds, memorials, etc.)
- Thrivent Action Team Fund
- If grants or other streams of funding, please specify

33. Does your congregation have a focus on aging ministry? Check all that apply

- We have a team focused on aging ministry.
- We have used resources from the NALC on aging ministry.
- We do not have a focus on aging ministry.
- We would like more information on aging ministry.
- Other

*** 34. Does your congregation have a website?**

- Yes
- No (Skip to Q. 37)

35. Do the NALC daily readings feed into your congregation's website or Facebook page? Check all that apply

- Website
- Facebook
- Neither

36. Does your site have a link to the NALC website?

- Yes
- No

37. What is your congregation's main method of dissemination of information? Choose only one

- Email
- Newsletter
- Website
- Weekly bulletin
- Other (please specify)

38. Do you distribute the NALC News in any of the following ways to your congregation? Check all that apply

- Print
- Email
- Facebook
- Website
- Other (please specify)

39. What is your greatest communications need? Choose only one

- Advertising
- Social media
- Sunday morning bulletins
- Sunday morning technology (worship slides, recording, livestreaming, etc.)
- Web
- Other (please specify)

40. Does your congregation use social media? Check all that apply

- Facebook
- Instagram
- Twitter
- We do not use social media.
- Other (please specify)

41. Does your congregation have someone responsible for communications?

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please list name, contact information, volunteer/contract/staff

42. In the last four years, how many members of your congregation have entered a program to pursue pastoral ministry?

*** 43. Do you have paid youth and family ministry staff?**

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please list name(s), position(s), contact information, full-time or part-time

44. If no, do you have a primary youth and family ministry contact person?

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please list name(s) and contact information

45. Do your youth participate in local, regional and/or national youth events?

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please list the events

46. Do your youth participate in a mission/service trip experience?

- No
- Yes

47. If yes, is it primarily organized by your congregation or another ministry/organization?

- Congregation
- Other ministry/organization
- If other, please list the ministry/organization

48. Does your congregation oversee any of the following programs? (If your congregation leases space to an independent day care or school answer "none of the above.")

Day care, specify ages

Preschool, specify ages

Day school, specify grades

After school, specify grades or ages

None of the above, type "none"

49. If you have any programs mentioned in Q. 48, list the point of contact for each: name(s) and contact information

*** 50. Is your congregation involved in the NALC's focus on Life-to-Life Discipleship?**

- Yes
- No (Skip to Q. 52)
- No, but we would like more information

51. If yes, briefly describe your involvement with Life-to-Life Discipleship

52. Did you distribute DiscipleLife 2020 materials (video, print materials) to any member of your congregation?

- Yes
- No

53. Does your congregation have an informal partnership with a congregation from another denomination? Check all that apply

- Anglican Church in North America (ACNA)
- Lutheran Church - Canada (LCC)
- Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (LCMS)
- Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)
- Roman Catholic Church (RCC)
- We do not have an informal partnership with a congregation from another denomination.
- Other (please specify)

54. Do you have any additional comments or questions for the NALC staff?

*** 55. Name, position, email and phone number of person completing this report**

*** 56. Would you like a pdf copy of this report sent to the email address provided in question 55?**

- Yes (please allow 20 business days from your date of submission)
- No

*** 57. Is this report complete?**

- Yes
- No