



Be a friend in all you do
and *GOD'S LOVE*
WILL SHINE
through you.



We could be
FRIENDS
and *HELP*
EACH OTHER.



P*PLANT* the seeds
so new *SEEDLINGS WILL*
sprout and *GROW.*



I*N FRIENDSHIP,*
BOTH the one who receives and
the one who offers *ARE*
ETERNALLY BLESSED.

WIDER CHURCH MINISTRIES

Encourages and **SUPPORTS** all settings of the UCC to participate in the **GLOBAL**, multiracial, multicultural church, and to support UCC **MINISTRIES** in the United States and around the world.

IN A FAR OFF LAND, THERE WAS A SEVERE DROUGHT ...

WCM, through resources made available by One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS), works with more than 80 overseas partners to offer assistance in times of natural disaster. In 2001, our efforts helped rebuild homes and communities following an earthquake in Gujarat, India, and assisted communities in the United States following tornados and floods.

... SCOOPED OUT THE LAST DROPS OF PRECIOUS WATER ...

In a world of scarcity and hardship, WCM works with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Global Ministries to develop relationships with partners throughout the world. Projects are planned and implemented in collaboration with communities to meet a wide spectrum of social, economic and spiritual needs. Long- and short-term volunteers and missionaries learn as well as teach, receive as well as give.

... THE PARCHED STRANGER DRANK ...

WCM also seeks to build bridges of trust and understanding where barriers of prejudice have become entrenched. The Health and Wholeness Advocacy Ministry has developed a variety of resources (including a new video, "bi-sex-u-al") to deepen understanding about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons.

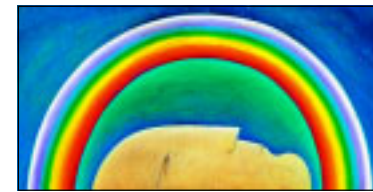
... UNTO YOU WHO GIVE ...

Immediately following the September 11 terrorist attacks, National Disaster Ministries issued a One Great Hour of Sharing disaster appeal, "Hope from the Rubble." By year's end, more than \$1.5 million in donations had been received to help with such recovery efforts as trauma response training for pastors and caregivers, spiritual/emotional care and physical needs of families of victims and survivors, and support for New York metropolitan area interfaith/recovery groups.

... EVERY CUP OF WATER SHARED IN FRIENDSHIP ...

WCM's global partnerships also empower local congregations to participate directly in mission. The Child Sponsorship and Refugee Resettlement programs enable individuals and churches to embody international friendship by supporting abandoned and neglected children and finding new homes for displaced families.

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... EACH DAY, THERE WAS LESS AND LESS WATER ...

As health care and retirement opportunities became more complex in 2001, the PB created new reader-friendly materials to provide members with greater information. To better serve members, the PB also announced a series of enhancements to provide members who have not yet retired with greater flexibility in managing their pension accumulation accounts.

... BENDING DOWN, SHE PLACED THE WATER JAR TO THE STRANGER'S LIPS ...

Seeking more effective ways to provide compassionate care is a keystone of the ministry of the PB. Linking itself with other UCC national ministries, the PB continues to work as a collegial partner in ministry through its participation in inter-ministry communication, financial and corporate social responsibility tables.

... THANK YOU, MOHNDYLLA ...

Leadership is a crucial component to the success of any organization. The PB offers its heartfelt appreciation to Joan F. Brannick as she retires after 22 years of faithful service. After a comprehensive search process, Michael A. Downs has been selected to succeed her as Executive Vice President.

... AND OFFER BLESSING ...

A new discount pharmacy program has been added to the existing prescription benefits of the health plan, providing significant savings to members and their families. For one family (a minister who is the mother of a child with a disability), this means paying a nominal monthly fee for her daughter's medications, rather than the \$450 the family would have to pay without these benefits.

... THE ONE WHO RECEIVES AND THE ONE WHO OFFERS ARE ETERNALLY BLESSED.

In collaboration with the Council of Conference Ministers, the PB convened two Health Care Conversations in June and October 2001 to enhance the UCC Health Benefits Plan. Working with national ministries, Conferences and individual members also has been a source of blessing to the PB.

LOCAL CHURCH MINISTRIES

ENCOURAGES and supports **LOCAL**

UCC **CHURCHES** in the fulfillment of God's mission.

ON A REMOTE PRAIRIE, THERE LIVED ...

LCM provides resources and assistance to congregations in all 50 U.S. states and Puerto Rico. Regional meetings led by the Stewardship and Finance team enable stewardship associates throughout the UCC to help congregations with their stewardship efforts. This team has oversight for the production of Our Church's Wider Mission materials, special offering resources and the Desk Calendar and Plan Book.

... HE SAT DOWN IN THE SHADE ...

We all need moments of meditation and study to nurture the seeds of our faith. The Pilgrim Press and United Church Resources Ministry team designs, publishes and distributes a variety of printed resources for readers who seek opportunities for theological reflection and spiritual renewal. In 2001, 57 new volumes were published by this team and 1,448,465 copies of resources were distributed on behalf of the whole church.

... WHO'S THERE? I CAN'T SEE YOU ...

Congregations in transition have many questions. The Parish Life and Leadership team provides ministry resources. In partnership with Conferences, this team facilitates the search and call process, enabling congregations and clergy to connect for a call by God. In a time when church leadership is so essential, this team coordinates and manages UCC scholarships and grants.

ALBERTUS, I NEED YOUR HELP ...

The Worship and Education team assists congregations by providing materials to enrich liturgical life and enhance spiritual formation. Resources provided in response to the September 11 terrorist attack have been received with heartfelt thanks from pastors and educators seeking to help their congregations find healing and wholeness in this tragedy. Worship and Education provides leadership for the "Partners in Education" network and is in ministry with places of higher education.

... PLANTED EVERY SEED ... A FOREST TOOK ROOT ...

In partnership with Conferences, the Evangelism team — through leadership subsidies — has worked to establish and support more than 100 new congregations during the past year. This team manages the Church Building Revolving Loan Fund and Cornerstone Fund to help congregations build facilities and expand current ones. A Leadership for New and Renewing Churches Endowment Fund also has been established to further this ministry of growth.



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UNITED CHURCH FOUNDATION

RECEIVES and holds funds and property entrusted to it

by UCC organizations, and **ADMINISTERS AND INVESTS** those **FUNDS**.

... ON MARKET DAY, ALBERTUS FILLED HIS BAGS WITH FRESHLY HARVESTED VEGETABLES AND SET OUT FOR TOWN ...

Congregations focused on the challenges of ministry don't always have the tools to negotiate the modern day complexities of the marketplace. UCF offers asset management services and interprets its work to investment committees and governing boards of local churches, Conferences and related agencies.

... HE SPIED LEAFY TWIGS WITH JUICY BERRIES ...

In 2001, the total assets managed by UCF doubled with the transfer of covenanted ministries endowments into the Foundation's Common Investment Funds (CIFs). Previously managed by the Pension Boards, these endowments are now part of the same CIFs used by UCC churches, school and agencies. Daily valuation of each CIF means that UCF participants may now move funds in and out of their accounts whenever they want.

... MY ROOTS STRETCH ... MY BRANCHES REACH ... MY BERRIES HANG DOWN BEFORE YOU ...

In spite of the recent economic downdraft, UCF continues to provide competitive investment returns without holding the often highly profitable, but ethically undesirable, securities issued by the purveyors of alcohol, tobacco, gambling products and services.

... I WANT TO SHARE MY JUICY BERRIES WITH OTHERS ... WILL YOU PICK MY BERRIES AND PLANT THE SEEDS? ...

Planting the seeds of ministry takes time, dedication and financial investment. More than \$300,000 in pastoral scholarships was distributed through the Richard and Helen Brown Endowment during 2001. One-third was used for continuing education grants, and the remainder provided scholarships for seminary students.

... HE STILL SITS UNDER ITS BRANCHES AND LISTENS.

The UCF listens to its constituency. Through its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) policy, a joint CSR roundtable meets periodically to review and modify policy as conditions warrant. Four shareholder resolutions were filed during 2001 in consultation with our ecumenical and interfaith partners.

JUSTICE AND WITNESS MINISTRIES

ENABLES and encourages all settings of the UCC to engage in **GOD'S**

MISSION globally by direct action for the integrity of creation, justice and peace.

SO BEGAN THE SAGA OF SAM, THE LUNCH ROOM BULLY, AND ANGEL, THE NEW KID IN SCHOOL ...

In 2001, JWM worked with WCM to organize the second largest religious delegation in attendance at the U.N. Conference against Racism in Durban, South Africa. Half of the 35 JWM delegates were youth. JWM continues an anti-racism emphasis by challenging negative stereotypes, confronting hate violence, empowering young people of color and assisting with conflict resolution.

... SAM WAS ALWAYS THERE, BULLYING AND BOSSING ...

JWM has provided vision and leadership in the World Council of Churches' call for a Decade to Overcome Violence. Thousands of "Overcoming Violence" Bible studies have been distributed, and many participated in a Lenten fast from violent acts and images. In 2001, at least 50 UCC members and pastors witnessed the legacy of U.S. military aide during trips to war-torn Colombia.

... GOOD, THOUGHT ANGEL NOW SAM KNOWS WHAT IT'S LIKE ...

Last year, JWM held a consultation on the farm crisis and the global economy in Omaha, Neb., with participants attending from across the United States and the Philippines. A network television documentary produced by JWM and the Proclamation, Identity and Communication Ministry will appear on ABC-TV in October 2002.

... ANGEL DID SOMETHING VERY BRAVE ...

JWM is committed to strengthening the church's grassroots capacity for justice advocacy. A re-energized Justice and Peace Action Network has increased its membership by 25 percent, while the Just Peace Church program is being re-visioned to better assist congregations. The UCC website offers justice updates, event information and advocacy strategies.

... WE COULD BE FRIENDS AND HELP EACH OTHER ...

Through the Neighbors in Need Offering, JWM provides much-needed financial support for projects that combat hunger, poverty and injustice. JWM also offers organizing muscle on public policy issues affecting economically disadvantaged persons, including federal budget priorities, health care access, welfare spending, living wage campaigns and equitable funding for public schools.



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OFFICE OF GENERAL MINISTRIES

Cares for the spiritual life, unity and well-being of the UCC,

NURTURES its **COVENANTAL** life, ecumenical and

interfaith **RELATIONSHIPS**, and facilitates visioning and

implementation of the UCC's total mission.

... IT'S NOT EASY ... WHEN YOU LOOK DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHER KIDS ...

OGM supports Conference, Association and pastoral partners as they nurture and empower UCC communities of all flavors to be witnesses of God's extravagant welcome, boundless mercy and radical embrace. The Proclamation, Identity and Communication Ministry has taken the first steps in designing a bold UCC identity theme: "God is still speaking."

... ANGEL HEARD SOMEONE CRYING ...

God calls us "to accept the cost and joy of discipleship." Having put new accounting policies and procedures in place, the Financial Ministries team has been able to identify collectable unrealized revenue and to change certain allocations to our financial advantage. Its collaborative work with all the financial teams is improving UCC reporting and procedures.

... ANGEL KNEW ABOUT LONELINESS ...

God also calls us to be servants in the service of others. Last year, Common Services scheduled thousands of meetings, received and transmitted 54 billion bytes of data to and from the Internet, supported more than 300 computer workstations, handled 1 million pieces of mail and made 4.5 million copies. Without its dedicated service, not much mission can get accomplished.

... GATHERING UP COURAGE, ANGEL SAID ...

Even in the best of relationships, there are tough times when covenant is all we have. The Covenantal Relations Ministry team facilitates communication with Conferences, Associations, racial and ethnic groups, and ecumenical partners in such groups as Churches Uniting in Christ. The team's work helps sustain a balance of covenant and autonomy among us.

... SURE, THAT'S WHAT FRIENDS ARE FOR.

UCC friends help OGM maintain its commitment to a ministry of love, support and care. Friends invest time, talent and treasure in a variety of ways, including serving on the Board of Directors, Executive Council and committees; volunteering for General Synod duties; and relating as resource partners in their areas of expertise.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST GENERAL SYNOD OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Unaudited Statement of Revenue & Expenses for the 24 Months Ending December 31, 2001

Total Revenue \$622,248
Total Expenses \$588,860



ADMINISTRATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Unaudited Statement of Revenue & Expenses for the 12 Months Ending December 31, 2001

Total Revenue \$165,059
Total Expenses \$161,173

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

OUR CHURCH'S WIDER MISSION — BASIC SUPPORT 2001

| CONFERENCE | \$ to National Setting | % of Total | \$ to Conference Setting | % of Total | \$ Combined Total |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| CALIFORNIA-NEVADA, NORTHERN | 154,518 | 25.0% | 463,553 | 75.0% | 618,071 |
| CALIFORNIA-NEVADA, SOUTHERN | 201,005 | 40.0% | 301,508 | 60.0% | 502,513 |
| CALVIN SYNOD | 300 | — | Note 1 | — | 300 |
| CENTRAL ATLANTIC | 439,090 | 37.0% | 747,640 | 63.0% | 1,186,730 |
| CENTRAL PACIFIC | 71,001 | 22.2% | 248,105 | 77.8% | 319,106 |
| CONNECTICUT | 1,719,828 | 63.1% | 1,007,838 | 36.9% | 2,727,666 |
| FLORIDA | 181,346 | 21.5% | 661,251 | 78.5% | 842,597 |
| HAWAII | 102,151 | 28.0% | 262,674 | 72.0% | 364,825 |
| ILLINOIS | 676,530 | 32.0% | 1,437,627 | 68.0% | 2,114,157 |
| ILLINOIS SOUTH | 277,195 | 40.0% | 415,792 | 60.0% | 692,987 |
| INDIANA-KENTUCKY | 487,303 | 39.3% | 751,721 | 60.7% | 1,239,024 |
| IOWA | 499,100 | 46.0% | 585,900 | 54.0% | 1,085,000 |
| KANSAS-OKLAHOMA | 69,283 | 23.5% | 225,536 | 76.5% | 294,819 |
| MAINE | 133,000 | 23.5% | 433,762 | 76.5% | 566,762 |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 1,344,312 | 60.0% | 896,208 | 40.0% | 2,240,520 |
| MICHIGAN | 329,042 | 35.0% | 610,846 | 65.0% | 939,888 |
| MINNESOTA | 319,638 | 34.7% | 600,184 | 65.3% | 919,822 |
| MISSOURI MID-SOUTH | 241,802 | 24.9% | 730,063 | 75.1% | 971,865 |
| MONTANA-NORTHERN WYOMING | 34,486 | 20.0% | 137,944 | 80.0% | 172,430 |
| NEBRASKA | 159,520 | 33.1% | 322,143 | 66.9% | 481,663 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 395,694 | 45.0% | 483,625 | 55.0% | 879,319 |
| NEW YORK | 249,249 | 24.7% | 761,531 | 75.3% | 1,010,780 |
| NORTHERN PLAINS | 14,879 | 13.0% | 99,574 | 87.0% | 114,453 |
| OHIO | 1,121,545 | 37.2% | 1,890,481 | 62.8% | 3,012,026 |
| PENN CENTRAL | 699,700 | 47.7% | 767,590 | 52.3% | 1,467,290 |
| PENN NORTHEAST | 193,687 | 25.0% | 581,063 | 75.0% | 774,750 |
| PENNSYLVANIA SOUTHEAST | 481,130 | 36.1% | 851,925 | 63.9% | 1,333,055 |
| PENN WEST | 64,534 | 14.7% | 373,471 | 85.3% | 438,005 |
| PUERTO RICO | 4,000 | — | Note 1 | — | 4,000 |
| RHODE ISLAND | 151,158 | 50.0% | 151,158 | 50.0% | 302,316 |
| ROCKY MOUNTAIN | 160,620 | 30.1% | 373,447 | 69.9% | 534,067 |
| SOUTH CENTRAL | 56,278 | 16.7% | 281,390 | 83.3% | 337,668 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 80,562 | 25.9% | 230,565 | 74.1% | 311,127 |
| SOUTHEAST | 26,000 | 11.0% | 209,581 | 89.0% | 235,581 |
| SOUTHERN | 52,000 | 7.6% | 634,302 | 92.4% | 686,302 |
| SOUTHWEST | 76,727 | 22.0% | 272,034 | 78.0% | 348,761 |
| VERMONT | 248,083 | 50.0% | 248,310 | 50.0% | 496,393 |
| WASHINGTON-NORTH IDAHO | 174,857 | 29.0% | 428,098 | 71.0% | 602,955 |
| WISCONSIN | 500,000 | 21.9% | 1,788,274 | 78.1% | 2,288,274 |
| MISC. | 23,304 | — | Note 2 | — | 23,304 |
| TOTAL | \$12,214,457 | 36.5% | \$21,266,714 | 63.5% | \$33,481,171 |

Note 1 Information not provided by the Conference.
Note 2 Support send directly to National by Churches or individuals.

For more detailed information, see www.ucc.org.

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