

December 2019

Dear Leaders of **FIELD(3)** UMC;

Greetings in the name of Christ our Lord and Savior. I Corinthians 16:20 "Greet one another with a holy kiss."

In prior years this letter has been a tome that explains everything about procedures and deadlines for the local church report. This year we will keep it saliently simple (kiss) and include worksheets for you to use to gather all the information for Tables I, II, and III.

The pastor is the chief administrative officer of the church (2016 Book of Discipline ¶ 244.3) and has the responsibility to make report in an accurate and timely manner. The due date of January 30, 2020.

We will once again be using the online statistics reporting system at <http://ezra.gcfa.org>. Your Ezra Statistics ID is "**FIELD(1)**". Your Ezra Dashboard sign on password has not been changed.

Our goal for this letter is to keep it saltantly simple (kiss) so you can jump right ahead to do the work to get the report on time. Therefore we have made an comprehensive tutorial for making a local church report on the new Statistician's web page found at:
[https://michiganumc.org/resources/local-church/finance-and-administration/database/statistics /](https://michiganumc.org/resources/local-church/finance-and-administration/database/statistics/)

Or the short version is <https://>

On January 1, 2019 the Ezra Statistics tables will be open for you to begin entering your stats. Please fill in all lines that you see. The Treasurer will fill in benevolence lines and report the results to you by letter in March. If you need a "real person" to help, please contact one of us using the contact info on the back of this letter.

If you have trouble making the **January 30, 2020 deadline**, please contact one of us as soon as possible. Save tables as you fill them out, submit them at the end.

A letter will be mailed to you after the February 1 - 15th audit. Verify this letter with signatures or by email. The local church reports are submitted to the Journal Committee as an historical report to the annual conference members and to the appointment cabinet on March 31st.

Thank you for your help in this important part of our life together.

We hope we have kept it sanguinely simple (kiss). If you need more help finishing the 2019 Local Church Report in a timely manner please let us know.

In Christ's Service,

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