



# CHARIS FELLOWSHIP

*Truth · Relationship · Mission*

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## 2019 Statistical Form & Fellowship Fee Request



PLANTING  
CHURCHES



TRAINING  
LEADERS



DOING  
GOOD

# A CALL TO MISSION!

Tom Julien's book "Antioch Revisited" was subtitled "Reuniting the Church with Her Mission". Tom uses a simple narrative to show the church and its mission should not be "divorced" from each other.

The Charis Fellowship values Biblical mission. Our mission is to start new churches, train new leaders and do good in our communities for the sake of the gospel.



**Church planting** can take many forms and can be accomplished through a variety of strategies in many different contexts. Some new churches will be simple in form, some will be more traditional, and some will be campuses of existing churches. Strategies include pioneering a new church, adopting an existing church, replanting an existing church, and the celebrative completion of a church. We start new churches that focus on specific people groups, that are multi-ethnic, urban, suburban, rural, and in the marketplace.



When it becomes clear Jesus is using someone to "equip his people for works of service" we do all we can to provide them ministry **leadership training** and experiences. We see growth in the number of internships and residencies provided by Charis churches. We work hard to give leaders meaningful access to other leaders.



**Doing-good** gives us the opportunity to share Christ with a lost world. When we ask about Charis church doing-good ministries in their towns and communities, we are always amazed. When regional crisis happens, we step in to help local churches serve their communities as only the church can. Only the church can provide physical, emotional AND spiritual needs of folks in crises. We partner with Charis churches and then with other missional churches that center on Jesus and agree with the Charis evangelical core (see the Commitment to Common Identity).

**GOD SENDS! HE SENT JESUS. HE SENDS US! LET'S GO!**



We declare that Jesus Christ, the incarnate Word of God, as revealed in the Bible, the written Word of God, is the only Savior and Lord. He is the center of our shared experience of true biblical unity.

from the *Charis Commitment to Common Identity*  
(adopted by the Charis Fellowship in 2016)

## FAMILY FINANCES

**Budgeting to support planting churches, training leaders, and doing good for the sake of the gospel**

The Charis Fellowship is a network of churches, districts, and National and Cooperating Ministries. That network thrives when it is supported by a hub for communication and relationship building.

An annual budget is approved each year by the delegates at our national conference. That budget supports:

- Our national office made up of a fulltime Charis Fellowship Coordinator and a part-time Operations Manager.
- The work of the Fellowship Council (meets once each year)
- Honoraria and expenses for the Executive Director (who is approved by the delegates)
- Our annual conference and regional focus retreats

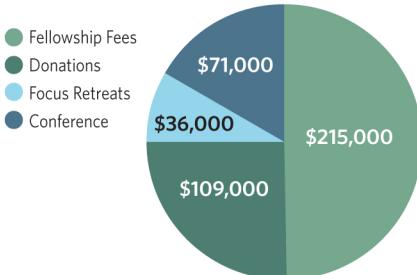
Our income sources are:

- Fellowship Fees
- Donations from National Ministries and other corporate donations
- Registration fees for our national conference and regional focus retreats

The financial records of the Charis Fellowship (a.k.a. The Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches) are reviewed annually by a certified public accountant.

This review is available from the national office by calling (574) 269-1269.

Delegates at the 2018 conference approved a \$.30 per attendee increase in the annual fellowship fee that each member church pays. You can see the complete delegates report including a budget at [charisfellowship.us/page/delegates2018](http://charisfellowship.us/page/delegates2018).



Charis Fellowship Income



Charis Fellowship Expenses

## **Charis Fellowship Statistical Form and Fellowship Fee**

Please complete and mail this form as soon as possible but by May 15, 2019 to:

**Charis Fellowship  
P.O. Box 384,  
Winona Lake IN 46590**

**Please include a check for  
your fellowship fee payable to  
Charis Fellowship**

<b>6</b> Is your church thinking about or actively starting a new church? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>7</b> If yes, who may we contact for more information about this new church?

### **Calculation of Fellowship Fee for 2019:**

Church Name	Email Address
Mailing Address	City State ZIP
<b>1</b> Average weekly attendance for 2018	
<b>2</b> Average weekly Sunday School/small group attendance in 2018	
<b>3</b> Total conversions recorded in 2018	
<b>4</b> Total baptisms in 2018	
<b>5</b> Total membership as of December 31, 2018	



Please complete all blanks on the statistical form. Please note that the statistics for this report are from the year 2018. Please put O for None, NR for No Records kept, NA for Not Applicable. Do not leave any statistical blanks empty.  
Please send the original report but be sure to keep a copy for your files. Don't forget to sign the form.  
Please include a check for your fellowship fee payable to Charis Fellowship. If your church is unable to pay the fellowship fee this year, complete the report and include a note of explanation.

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Charis Fellowship, P.O. Box 384, Winona Lake IN 46590**

Charis Fellowship is a family of diverse churches that is committed biblical Truth, Relationship, and a Mission to plant churches, train leaders, and do good for the sake of the gospel. As a family we maintain a national office, send representatives to serve on a national board (the Fellowship Council), provide points of communication and connection, and seek to find new ways to work together in God's Kingdom. A fee is asked of each member church to help fund this joint activity. Use the worksheet above to calculate your amount of contribution based on your average weekly worship attendance (all ages).

Questions? Contact Tom Avey at:  
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