

**The Lehigh Conference of Churches
Membership Request Form**

This is to indicate that _____
requests membership in the The Lehigh Conference of Churches. We affirm the Preamble,
Statement of Mission and Statement of Purpose listed on the reverse side of this form.

We name the following representatives to The Lehigh Conference of Churches:

Clergy/Executive Representative: _____

Organization Name: _____

Organization Address _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Lay Representative: _____

Lay Representative's Address: _____

Lay Representative's Telephone: _____

Lay Representative's E-mail Address: _____

We will make the following financial commitment of \$ _____ to The Lehigh
Conference of Churches for the year _____.

Our fiscal year begins _____.

Our commitment will be paid _____ Annually
_____ Semi-Annually
_____ Quarterly
_____ Monthly
_____ Other: _____

Prepared by: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

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Constitutional Preamble (1998)

We, the constituent members of The Lehigh Conference of Churches, recognize God as Creator of all of us and affirm, within the diversity of our faith traditions, our oneness in Jesus Christ as son of God and Savior of the world.

Statement of Mission (2000)

Responding to the call of Jesus Christ, the **mission** of the The Lehigh Conference of Churches is to unite communities of faith as ecumenical partners. Putting our faith into action, we minister to and advocate for those in need and encourage all to reach their full potential. (This statement of mission shall not be interpreted to conflict with or supersede standards and loyalties of the various faith traditions).

Membership Covenant (2003)

The Conference and its members enter into a Membership Covenant whereby the Conference will provide the following opportunities to its members:

1. To share in the social ministry of the Conference to people in need.
2. To participate in the ecumenical ministry of the Conference.
3. To volunteer at the Conference in hands on ministry to people in need.
4. To use the Conference as a referral agency for people in need and for Ecumenical information.
5. To join the Conference in advocacy around social justice issues of mutual interest such as legalized gambling, welfare reform, and poverty.

Members will commit to the following:

1. Affirmation of the TLCC Statement of Mission listed above.
2. A financial commitment to the Conference of a monetary and/or in kind nature. Commensurate with a member's ability to contribute.
3. Participation in the social ministry of the Conference.
4. Participation in the ecumenical ministry of the Conference.
5. The designation of a clergy/church member delegate to the Conference.
6. Service as a goodwill ambassador for the Conference by sharing with others all that the Conference has to offer.
7. A presentation by the TLCC at some church event once per year.