

Sunday School Council**Purpose:**

The Sunday School Council is tasked as the Church's general coordinating agency for all Sunday School entities, programs and activities. Council purpose is to serve as a planning, coordinating, and evaluating body for carrying out the purpose of the Sunday School. That purpose is to reach people for Christ and church membership and through life-changing Bible study, lead them to grow through worshipping, witnessing, and ministering. This purpose shall be achieved through the Bible teaching-reaching ministries of 1) reach people, 2) teach people the Bible, 3) care for people, 4) witness to people, 5) fellowship with people, and 6) lead people to worship. The Council shall carry out its functions by regularly considering all functions and needs of the Sunday School including outreach, teaching, curriculum, literature, training, space allocation and utilization, and support of the worship service and other church organizations and activities.

Membership:

The Sunday School Council consists of two Sunday School Directors, Staff Ministers, Sunday School Secretary, Directors of the Preschool/Children, Youth, Adults, Rest Home Extension Ministries and any other extension service divisions of the Sunday School. The Senior Sunday School Director serves as council Chair. In the absence of the Senior Director, the Junior Director shall reside, or in the absence of both Directors, the Associate Pastor and Minister to Adults shall preside at meetings.

Relationships:

Council assists the church, within the realm of the council purpose, in fulfilling the church's Mission: To proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to minister to the needs of our congregation, the community, and the world through the leadership of the Holy Spirit. This council shall utilize the five Biblical Functions of Worship, Fellowship, Discipleship, Ministry, and Evangelism in meeting the council's purpose and duties and in communicating, coordinating and cooperating with the council and with others.

Duties:

1. Act as the designated coordination/approval agent for all church-wide education programs and activities.
2. Serve as a clearing activity for all new curriculum materials.
3. Evaluate on-going education programs and activities with a view toward enhancement, continuance, and elimination.
4. Convene the Sunday School Council meeting as required, but at least quarterly.

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5. Report to the Church Conference on pertinent Council deliberations and decisions.
6. Keep the membership informed on significant Council achievements through the newsletter, bulletin, worship-hour announcements, and special messages
7. Update the church calendar as required.
8. Forward a written report of deliberations and/or recommendations to the Chairperson, Church Council, for further action.