

CHURCH PROFILE FORM

Reformed Church in America



Introduction

The Reformed Church in America's Office of Ministry Services provides information and services to ordained ministers who are seeking a call and churches who are seeking ordained ministers. It does not recommend any particular candidate or church but instead serves as a resource to both.

For further information, or if you have questions or problems while completing this form, please contact Ministry Services at ministryservices@rca.org or 212-870-3252.

Helpful Hints for this form...

- ❖ To move to the next field, hit TAB.
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- ❖ To mark (x) in a box, left click with mouse.
- ❖ Hitting ENTER will move the cursor to the next line but keep you in the same field (essay questions)
- ❖ Spell check is not available in this format.
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- ❖ The form will "paginate" itself as you complete it.
- ❖ If at any time you cannot include information important to you because of the "form field", please continue to complete the question on a separate page. Make sure to reference the question number!
- ❖ Please sign and return the **Release Statement** at the end of this form. You may scan it and email it as an attachment to ministryservices@rca.org.

Age of all active members (baptized and confessing)

2 %	0-20 years old
0 %	20-34 years old
1 %	35-49 years old
5 %	50-64 years old
92 %	65 years and older

8. Racial/Ethnic composition of congregation:

99 %	African American
%	Asian
%	Caucasian
1 %	Hispanic
%	Other: (please specify)

9. Worship schedule:

Average Attendance (includes adults and children)

Time of worship	Average attendance Five years ago	Average attendance Today
11 am <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> pm <input type="checkbox"/>	50	25
1 am <input type="checkbox"/> pm <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Comment on significant changes: Pastor retired, college bound,

10. Describe a typical worship service (order of worship, music, etc.) What is your congregation's preferred style or styles of worship? Attach a bulletin, if available.

**14. Church/Sunday School:
Average Attendance**

Average attendance Five years ago	Average attendance Today
10 persons - Bible Study	10-17 - Bible Study

Comment on significant changes:

time allotted was too late or early for some

15. Describe briefly all educational programs (including children, young adult, adult).

5th Sunday dedicated to our youth- Sis Judy- Lay Youth Minister Preaches
Bible Study Topics are discussed throughout the year, we celebrate Black & Womens History in Feb & March.

**16. Church groups/organizations: Briefly describe ministry purpose of each group.
(use separate sheet if necessary)**

Name of group	Frequency of Meeting (i.e. weekly, bi-monthly, etc)	Attendance
Youth Ministry	5 th Sunday	1-2
Womens Ministry	quarterly	17
Mens Fellowship	quarterly	5

17. Comment on one event or experience over the last year that has significantly contributed to the spiritual life of the congregation.

Womens Prayer Breakfast - We had our former Student Pastor- Rev. Faye Taylor as our guest preacher. It was indeed a blessing to the spiritual life of our congregation.

18. Buildings: Please describe church-owned or rented buildings and purpose.

Parsonage is currently under renovation which we will use for ministry events, housing.

19. Do you plan any capital expenditure during the next five years? Yes No
If yes, please explain briefly:

completion of renovating our parsonage

20. Is there a mortgage indebtedness? Yes No

Amount: \$

24. What leadership roles do women currently fill in your church?

VP, CONSISTORY, CHURCH CLERK, PREACHING, RECORDER OF GIVINGS

25. In our congregation...(please check appropriate box)

	Few have...	Many have...	Most have...
Had up to twelve years of formal education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Had some education beyond high school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A college degree	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A graduate degree	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

26. In our congregation...(please check a box)

	Few are...	Many are...	Most are...
Scientists & Engineers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farmers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business People	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Students & Teachers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial Workers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Office Workers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other: MEDICAL, MTA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

27. Special training/experience desired: (Describe briefly)

28. Languages:

Should your pastor be fluent in any language other than English?

Yes No If yes, please explain.

29. The salary we are prepared to offer our new pastor is \$ 1,500- 1.800

The average annual increase to our pastor over the past three years was \$NONE

30. Is a parsonage provided? Yes No

If so, is it on site with the church? Yes No

If the parsonage is not on site with the church, how far from the church is it located?

31. Is a Minister's housing allowance in lieu of a parsonage a negotiable option?

Yes No

33. Community served: (please check one)

Rural: Under 2,500	<input type="checkbox"/>
Town: 2,500-9,999	<input type="checkbox"/>
Small City: 10,000-49,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Metropolitan-Suburban: 50,000+	<input type="checkbox"/>
Metropolitan-Urban: 50,000+	<input type="checkbox"/>
Metropolitan-Inner City: 50,000+	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

34. Cooperative ministry: In what ways have you cooperated with other churches in your community during the past year?

WE HAVEN'T INCOOPERATED WITH OUR CHURCHES IN THE COMMUNITY HOWEVER WE HAVE HAD A JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE WITH OUR FRIENDS FROM BETHANY REFORMED CHURCH IN MANHATTAN WHERE REV. SHARON ATKINS IS THEIR PASTOR AND SUPPORTED OTHER CHURCHES WITH THEIR EVENTS.

35. Community involvement: In what community programs or projects have you participated during the past year? (As an organization, not as individuals.)

GIRL SCOUTS ORGANIZATION HAVE HAD MEETINGS AND EVENTS DURING THE PAST YEAR.

36. What denominations or religions are present within three miles (in rural areas, consider the county) where your church is located?

BAPTIST, PENTECOSTAL, CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, SEVEN DAY ADVENTIST

37. Outreach: What is your strategy to reach un-churched people in your community?

EVANGELISM, OUTREACH, OPEN HOUSE, TOWN HALL MEETINGS , LOCAL POLITICIANS INVOLVEMENT, COMMUNITY AWARENESS

38. The income level of the people in our congregation tends to be: (please check one)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	About average for our community
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat below the rest of the community
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat higher than the rest of the community

39. Describe the community and school system: (Provide website links were appropriate.)

MIDDLE, HIGH, ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, WORKING CLASS, HOMEOWNERS, RETIREES

40. Record of last three pastors:

Name	Dates
REV. RODWELL MORGAN	1972 to 1977
REV. LESLIE SEATON	to
REV. BARBARA P. ALEXANDER	1992 to 2017

41. Please complete your profile with the following contacts:

Name	
ELDER DEVONNA L. COUSINS	Vice President, Consistory
REV. DR. CARLOS RIVERA	Classis Supervisor

8) Describe your vision and hopes for your church and your pastor over the next 5 years.

TO BECOME A CHURCH WHERE ALL PEOPLE WILL COME TO BE FULFILLED BY THE PEACE, JOY, HOPE, LOVE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

9) Explain what ever else you would like your potential pastor to know about your church.

WE LOVE OUR CHURCH BUT MOST OF ALL WE LOVE GOD AND ARE COMMITTED TO CONTINUING THE WORK HE HAS FOR US TO DO. WE BELIEVE THAT WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE FOR THOSE WHO LOVE AND OBEY HIS WORD.

Reformed Church in America
Office of Ministry Services

Release Statement

(Full Church Name)

We, THE NEW BROOKLYN REFORMED CHURCH, acknowledge that the information in this Church Profile is accurate and complete. We authorize the Office of Ministry Services (OMS) to release this profile to designated recipient(s) seeking positions as ordained Ministers of Word and Sacrament, including posting of this profile on the RCA website.

Signature of Search Team Chairperson or Designated

Date

**ORDER OF SERVICE
NEW BROOKLYN REFORMED CHURCH**

DEVOTIONS

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LORD HAVE MERCY UPON US, CHRIST HAVE MERCY UPON US

PSALTER READING

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Gloria Patri (congregation stands)

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

PRAISE REPORTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME & MINISTRY OF HUGS – THIS IS THE LORDS CHURCH AND JESUS IS LORD

MISSIONS/TITHES

DEACONS CHARGE

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION.....

SERMON

ALTAR CALL/PRAYER

BENEDICTION

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER
2019

NEW BROOKLYN REFORMED CHURCH
YEAR TO DATE FINANCIAL REPORT

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER
2019

INCOME CHECKING	AMOUNT
GENERAL OFFERING	\$42,040.70
MISSION OFFERING	\$1,286.00
RETURNED CHECKS	\$427.35
TRANSFER FROM SAVINGS	\$11,200.00
LOVE GIFT SIS. LINDA LAVERPOOL BDAY DONATION	\$69.00
TOTAL	\$55,023.05

RETURNED CHECKS

EDLER B.WRIGTH [\$100.00] DAVID BLOWE [\$100.00] JUDY DAVID [\$200.00]

BRO. ALEXANDER [\$27.35]

TRANSFER FROM SAVINGS

FOR WORK BEING DONE ON CHURCH AND PARSONAGE [\$11200.00]

INCOME SAVINGS

BUILDING FUND	\$2,910.00
SOUP & DINNERS	\$553.00
HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS	\$400.00
EASTER OFFERING	\$1,096.00
YOUTH ACCOUNT	\$872.57
LOVE OFFERING VERNELL CONYER	\$150.00
STEWARDSHIP SATURDAY	\$80.00
TOTAL	\$6,061.57
CUMULATIVE TOTAL	\$61,084.62

EXPENDITURES	AMOUNT
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PERSONNEL

TOTAL **\$2,350.00**

UTILITIES

NATIONAL GRID	\$863.39
VERIZON	\$321.08
CON ED [PARSONAGE]	\$262.92
CON ED [CHURCH]	\$1,137.44
NYC WATER BOARD [DEP]	\$413.72
FUEL OIL	\$5,025.00
TOTAL	\$8,023.55
CUMULATIVE TOTAL	\$10,373.55

RCA

ASSESSMENT	\$765.76
LOAN PAYMENT	\$2,897.38
TOTAL	\$3,663.14
CUMULATIVE TOTAL	\$14,036.69

EXPENDITURES	AMOUNT
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MAINTENANCE & REPAIR CONT'D

TOTAL	\$16,143.02
CUMULATIVE TOTAL	\$40,691.81

MISCELLANEOUS

BANK FEES [CHECKS & DEPOSIT SLIPS]	\$368.15
L. LAVERPOOL [STAMPS & GROCERIES]	\$72.50
R. ALEXANDER [GROCERIES]	\$50.25
L. LAVERPOOL [REIMBURSEMENT]	\$110.00
ELDER COUSINS [FRUIT BASKET]	\$76.19
L. LAVERPOOL [REIMBURSEMENT]	\$274.26
J. SPENCE [REIMBURSEMENT]	\$76.96
J. GRANT [REIMBURSEMENT]	\$62.99
R. ALEXANDER [REIMBURSEMENT]	\$111.72
FAITH ALIVE	\$49.00
GRACE REFORMED [ADOPT A PROJECT FUND]	\$250.00

TOTAL	\$1,502.02
CUMULATIVE TOTAL	\$42,193.83

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD FROM DECEMBER 2018	\$5,277.63
INCOME CHECKING	\$55,023.05
TOTAL	\$60,300.68
EXPENDITURES	-\$42,193.83
TOTAL IN CHECKING ACCOUNT AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER	\$18,106.85

CHECKING ACCOUNT AS OF 10/6/19	\$18,158.11
SAVINGS ACCOUNT AS OF 10/6/19 [\$872.57 + 13,300.18 = 14,172.75]	\$14,172.75
LOAN BALANCE AS OF 10/6/19	\$0.00



Annual Consistorial Report

for the year ending December 31, 2018

The Book of Church Order requires that each consistory shall make an annual report of statistical information and on the spiritual state of their congregation. Information reported by consistories helps RCA assemblies to "equip congregations to follow Christ in mission" and also gives the local church an opportunity to examine and reflect on its mission and ministry.

Parts 1a and 1b ask for quantitative information that is for the benefit of the General Synod, regional synod, and classis.

Parts 2a and 2b are for the benefit of the classis and include open-ended questions to assist the consistory in reflection on the ministry of the church.

New Brooklyn Reformed Church
1064 Herkimer St
Brooklyn, New York 11233-3110

The label above reflects the address the Office of the General Synod maintains as your church mailing address. If any of the information above is incorrect, please submit the updated information to your classis stated clerk.

ONLINE FORM

Please fill out this form electronically.
Visit crf.rca.org
and follow the instructions found on that screen.

Annual Consistorial Report for 2018

New Brooklyn Reformed Church

church name

Brooklyn, New York

city, state/province

Part 1b

FINANCIAL REPORT: Please complete the following section with financial results from your church's most recent fiscal year-end.

Fiscal year-end: 2018-12-31

The dollar amounts listed below are in U.S. Dollars

Income:

21. Contributions received*	\$ <u>57432</u>
22. Endowment gifts (gifts that are permanently restricted by the donor, from which only the earnings may be used)	\$ _____
23. Investment income and endowment appropriations	\$ _____
24. All other income (including, but not limited to: tuition revenue, rental income, grants from any agency)	\$ _____
25. Total income (sum of lines 21-24)	\$ <u>57432</u>

*Any gift received by the church, except for new endowed gifts. This includes, but is not limited to, contributions for the general operations, missions, benevolence, special designated funds, estate gifts, and capital campaign gifts.

Expenses:

26. Assessments paid to RCA classis, regional synod, and denomination	\$ <u>2334</u>
27. All other church expenses	\$ _____
28. Total expenses (sum of lines 26-27)	\$ <u>2334</u>
29. Net income (line 25 minus line 28)	\$ <u>55098</u>

Note: as of 2018, lines 18 through 18e, 19 through 19c, and 20 have been replaced with lines 21-29.

Financial data collected in this section is for the benefit of the General Synod, regional synod, and classis and is reported at crf.rca.org/public.

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Question 5 was added by the General Synod in 2017. Responses to this question only are collected for the benefit of the General Synod and will be shared with the Commission on Race and Ethnicity.

5. How does your congregation reflect the racial and cultural context in which you conduct your ministry? What are you doing to build bridges that develop and deepen mutual ministry that is multiracial and multicultural?

We show Gods love to all those who walk through our doors regardless of race, color, creed or sexual orientation and have shared in worship with our brothers and sisters of different nationalites.

Question 6 was added by the General Synod in 2018. Responses to this question only are collected for the benefit of the General Synod and will be shared with the Commission on Christian Discipleship and Education.

6. How have those who serve in the spiritual formation or teaching arena of your congregation received ongoing or continuing education this year?

those who serve in the spiritual formation have attended workshops, training sessions and other educational forums.

Part 2b

INDEBTEDNESS:

The following information is collected for the use of your classis in order to fulfill the directive from the Book of Church Order regarding indebtedness, which states, "the consistory shall not incur a total indebtedness which exceeds two-thirds of the prior year's expenditures for congregational purposes, as reported to the General Synod, without the approval of classis" (BCO, Chapter 1, Part I, Article 2, Section 13; 2018 edition, p. 17).

1. Does your church have any indebtedness?

yes no

2. If yes, what is the total indebtedness?

\$ ¹⁹¹⁹ _____

3. Is your church delinquent in any of its debt payments?

yes no

4. If yes, what is the amount of the delinquency?

\$ _____

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The information below will not be shared with any entity outside the RCA.

It will be used to provide support for youth ministry in RCA congregations, in keeping with the call articulated in Transformed & Transforming: "increasing the awareness that God is calling youth and young adults to become leaders" and "developing youth intentionally for missional, congregational, and pastoral leadership."

Primary youth ministry contact

Please provide information for the person who is the primary contact for youth ministry in your congregation. This person could be a paid staff member such as a youth minister or director of youth ministry, or he or she could be a volunteer if your congregation does not have youth ministry staff. If your congregation has more than one person in this role, please designate one as the primary contact.

We have no youth ministry contact.

Name: Judy David

Title: Lay Youth Minister

Address: 1064 Herkimer Street
Brooklyn New York 11233

Email:

Phone: 7187745630

Phone Type: