



## **Annual Conference of UPCI Convenes in Louisville**

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Around eight thousand pastors, ministers, and church members are gathering this month (September 25–28) in Louisville at the Kentucky International Convention Center for the annual General Conference of the United Pentecostal Church International. The UPCI is a Oneness Pentecostal organization with 4.9 million members, almost 42,000 congregations, and 35,000 ministers in 190 nations and 35 territories. Conference attendees will conduct business, receive training, network with colleagues, participate in worship sessions, and raise funds for various ministries.

UPCI constituents are dedicated citizens who are deeply committed to their faith and to making a positive impact on the world. In addition to our worldwide evangelistic efforts, we offer humanitarian aid through ministries such as our domestic and international disaster relief organizations, Reach Out America and Compassion Services International. We operate short-term medical clinics in various nations, and we operate orphanages in Haiti, Guatemala, and Nepal, as well as Tupelo Children’s Mansion and New Beginnings International Children’s & Family Services in the state of Mississippi.

Our youth are also engaged in positive social action. In July of last year, 35,000 students and young adults from all fifty states attended our biennial North American Youth Congress, one of our nation’s largest Christian youth gatherings, at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. During the event, 1,700 volunteers partnered with The Pack Shack and Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana to pack 200,000 meals for food insecure households in the region. Others competed for \$50,000 to fund entrepreneurial ventures which not only would be financially successful, but also would make the world a better place.

With roots anchored firmly in the Bible and a vision for ministering to communities around the world, the UPCI embraces its mission to carry the whole gospel to the whole world by the whole church.

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