

General Board  
Preaching Point Policy  
September 29, 2010

In 1998, the General Board adopted the following:

“A Daughter Congregation is a congregation which has met at least three months, and is the result of the concerted efforts of an established Mother Church to plant a new congregation, and holds at least one service per week apart from the Mother Church, and is under the general oversight of the pastor of the Mother Church. A Daughter Congregation must have the approval of either the District Home Missions Executive Committee (in accordance with the UPCI Manual), or the District Board before they can be listed in the annual UPCI Directory. A list of approved Daughter Congregations shall be provided to the Church Division annually for printing in the Church Directory.”<sup>1</sup>

**Preaching Point Definition:** A preaching point is a regular service or meeting:

- Distinct from the mother church as to location or language.
- Designed to reach people who are currently un-churched.
- The regular service or meeting is seen as a first step toward possibly starting a daughter work or church. The definition of a preaching point does not include a church having a service in a prison, nursing home, jail, on a college campus or in any other institutional setting.

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<sup>1</sup> Definition of a Daughter Congregation - (Adopted by the General Board, UPCI, January 1998)

## **Presenting Preaching Points in the Directory**

We propose listing preaching points in the directory in following way:

Quebec

\*Montreal (Saint Laurent) – Saint Laurent UPC, 1375 Poirier, Saint Laurent, (H4L 5K7), Ph. 514-xxx-xxxx, Paul M. Graham

French Preaching Point – Eglise Pentecotiste Unie (514-xxx-xxxx for time and location) The name of a person licensed with the United Pentecostal Church who pastors or oversees the preaching point may or may not be listed. This is at the discretion of the mother church pastor.

Terrebonne Preaching Point – 5436 East Main Street; Terrebonne, QC, (514-xxx-xxxx)

St. Charles Preaching Point (514-xxx-xxxx for location of meeting)

### **Recommended Preaching Point Policy**

With approval of a District Home Missions Executive Committee, an existing church can establish a preaching point in any city or town that does not have a United Pentecostal Church.

In the event there is a United Pentecostal Church in the town or city where the preaching point is being considered, the approval of the District Board is required.

The existence of a preaching point in a town/city does not preclude another church from applying to start another preaching point or daughter church. It also does not preclude someone applying to start an autonomous church in that town/city.