

Hills & Plains Presbytery Church Plant

Presbyterian Church in America

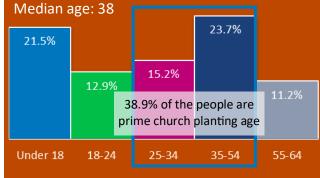
Springfield Statistics
2018 - 2019 Estimates, census.gov/MissionInsite.com

By the Numbers

Population: 168,520
Median family income: \$47,117
Median home value: \$115,200
Median Rent: \$730
Poverty Rate: 17.2%
Crime Index: 767.2

US Average is 274 (2018, city-data.com)

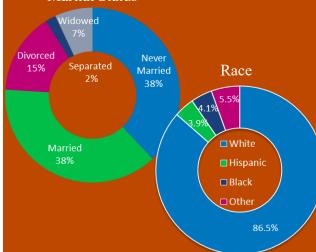
Age Demographics



Households with Children

Married Couple 61% Female, no husband present 28% Male, no wife present 11%

Marital Status



Missouri State University, with over 26,000 students, recognizes Springfield as a thriving community stating, "It's a growing business center and a town known for college life – but it's so

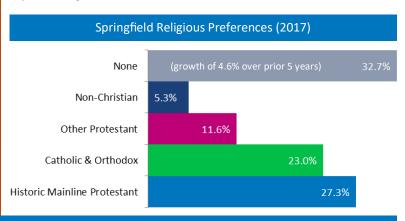
much more than a college town. It's an optimistic, developing city where you can expect active networking as you start a career. It's a place with a fun downtown, a supportive arts scene, great restaurants and farmers markets, professional and college sports teams and recreation opportunities in our gorgeous outdoors."

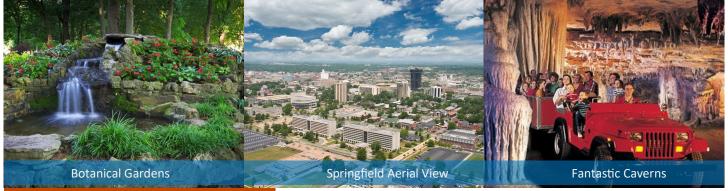


Unfortunately, over one-third of the people in this university town chose "none" or "non-Christian" as their religious preference. With only a handful of reformed churches in the area and not one PCA church, Hills & Plains Presbytery recognizes the need for a church plant in Springfield. Hills & Plains Presbytery is the regional body of PCA churches covering Northwest Arkansas, Southwest Missouri, and all of Oklahoma.

The presbytery is praying that a PCA church plant in Springfield will be part of God's plan for expanding the Kingdom in Springfield. To that end, they have funds designated for a church plant and churches committed to providing leadership.

The presbytery is supported in this endeavor by the Midwest Alliance whose mission is to see PCA churches and presbyteries in the Midwest working together to plant and grow healthy and reproducing churches.





Springfield Highlights

Third largest city in the state of Missouri and the county seat of Greene County.

Home to three universities: Missouri State University, Drury University, and Evangel University.

Missouri State University enrollment was approximately 26,000 in 2019

White collar workers make up 63.5% of the workforce.

Springfield-Branson National Airport has 12 non-stop destinations, including five of the nation's largest hub airports.

Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World in Springfield is the #1 tourist attraction in Missouri.

Education

(population over age 25)

89.6% High School Grad or higher

17.1% Bachelor's Degree

10.3% Graduate or Professional

Major Employers

CoxHealth	11,669
Mercy Hospital	10,950
Walmart Inc.	5,372
Springfield Public School	4,100
State of Missouri	4,018
Bass Pro Shops	3,341
US Government	3,005
Missouri State University	2,874
Jack Henry & Associates, Inc.	2,174
O'Reilly Auto Parts (HQ)	2,042

Candidate Strengths

- Loves and trusts God far more than he loves or trusts anyone or anything else
- Intentional in evangelism and cares deeply about relationships
- Desire to put down roots and equip people for ministry
- A strong preacher Bible is taught clearly, wholly, compellingly, and is applied to life

Support

- Mentoring available from experienced church planters
- The financial and prayer commitment of the Hills & Plains
 Presbytery to church planting

Imagine

A church that leads people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and equips them to give their lives away for the cause of Christ and the glory of God.

A church that actively, intentionally, wisely and faithfully seeks to plant other churches in our community, region and world.

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