

Church Affiliation Guide

PAC: Parent Affiliated Church, A PAC is an outreach of an existing church resulting in a worshipping community with a congregation life distinct from the Parent Church (PC). A Parent Affiliated relationship can be of unlimited duration, or for a temporary period.

NAC: Network Affiliated Church, Network Affiliation is for churches that are in a level of Network Intervention, need Network oversight (e.g. board, financial) or have reduced membership (under 20 members).

GCAC: General Council Affiliated Church, A sovereign entity that works under the ecclesiastical covering of the General Council of the Assemblies of God and recognizes the authority of the NWMN in credentialing and intervention, among other areas, as outlined in the NWMN bylaws.

	PAC	NWMN NAC	GCAC
Ecclesial Supervision	Parent Church	NW Missions Dept. of the NWMN	Self-governing, in submission to the NWMN Bylaws.
501(c)3 Tax exempt status from General Council?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Church Bylaws	As directed by Parent Church	NAC Bylaws, or NAC transitional Bylaws	Self-directed, Recommend bylaws are provided by the NWMN.
Lead Pastor	As directed by Parent Church. Does not need to be Credentialed with NWMN.	Appointed yearly by NW Missions Director. Must be Credentialed with NWMN.	As directed by church bylaws. Must be Credentialed with NWMN.
Board	As directed by Parent Church	Appointed by the NWMN	As directed by church bylaws.
Membership	As directed by Parent Church	No voting membership.	Yes, must have a minimum of 20 voting members.
May start a PAC	No	With approval from the NW Missions Dept. of the NWMN	Yes
Financial management (e.g. budget, salary, payroll, taxes, property ownership)	As provided for by Parent Church	Self-directed with NWMN oversight. Church is responsible for Payroll and Taxes and all church expenses.	Self-directed
Insurance	As directed by Parent Church	EP Mandated levels maintained through Whitefield-Leavitt Insurance Brokerage.	Self-directed
ACMR reporting (Annual Church Ministries Report)	Numbers are combined and reported with Parent Church	Numbers reported autonomously	Numbers reported autonomously
AG Total Giving Credit (World Ministries Giving Credit)	Counted toward Parent Church total	Counted autonomously	Counted autonomously
Able to send delegates to Network Conference (District Council)	No	Yes	Yes
Able to send delegates to General Council	No	No	Yes