

### Northern Illinois Presbytery Church Plant

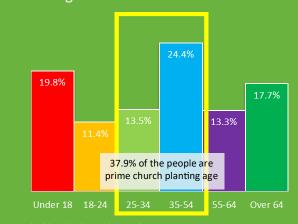
### **Presbyterian Church in America**

Kankakee County Statistics

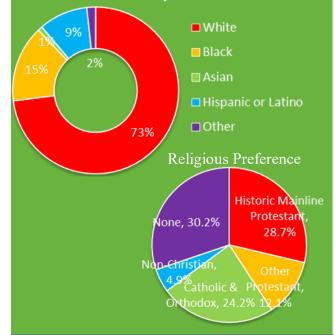
October 2021 MissionInsite Report Statistics & Census.gov

Population: 111,808
10 Year Projected Population: 114,910
Median Family Income: \$73,848
Median Home Value: \$147,900
Median Rent: \$887
Poverty Rate: 9.5%

Age Demographics Median age: 38



Racial/Ethnic Diversity



Kankakee County is situated along 57 miles of winding river and Kankakee, Bourbonnais, and Bradley are the three largest towns. Olivet Nazarene University is situated on 275 acres in Bourbonnais. The University includes about 3,500

students from more than 40 states and 20 countries, representing nearly 50 religious denominations.

With only 28% of the population identifying as Protestant, the Presbytery of Northern Illinois intends, by God's grace, to expand the



reach of the gospel by planting the first PCA church in the county with the hope that by the grace of God we will see a rebirth in the hearts of the people of Kankakee County.

The Presbytery foresees a healthy and growing, self-sustaining and self-governing PCA church characterized by vibrant Christ-centered worship, effective ministries of evangelism, mercy, and missions coupled with

transformational fellowship and discipleship in Kankakee County all to the glory of God.

The Presbytery of Northern Illinois will also have the support of the Midwest Alliance. The hope is to see this church make disciples who will then help to



spread the gospel, multiplying praise to God and planting churches throughout the region.



# Highlights

White collar workers make up 55% of the workforce.

Kankakee River State Park attracts more than a million visitors a year.

50 miles south of Chicago.

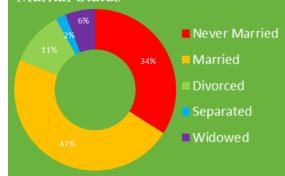
The leading metro for 5-year employment and earnings growth in the Midwest.

### Education

(population over age 25) 88% High School Grad or higher 13% Bachelor's Degree

8% Graduate or Professional

### **Marital Status**



### Households with Children

Married Couple 65% Single Mom 26% Single Dad 9%

# Major Employers

Riverside Healthcare
CSL Behring
Cigna Healthcare
Shapiro Developmental Center
AMITA Healthcare
Van Drunen Farms

# 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

- The Presbytery will provide prayer, financial, and logistical support to the church planter
- Opportunities for mentoring, internships, and cohort participation for those preparing for 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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