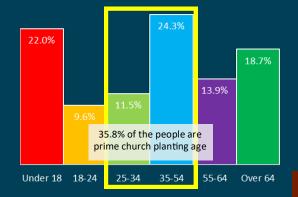
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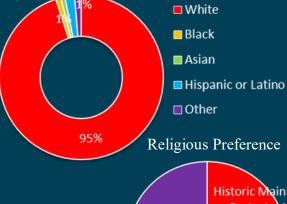
Population: 170,966 10 Year Projected Population: 172,514 Median Family Income: \$77,597 Poverty Rate: 5.5%

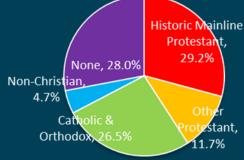
Tazewell Co. Median Home Value: \$139,700 Tazewell Co. Median Rent: \$731

Age Demographics Median age: 37



Racial/Ethnic Diversity





Woodford and Tazewell Counties are located east of the Illinois River near Peoria, Illinois. Tazewell County has the larger population at over 130,000 people and according to their website, "Seventy-eight percent of the County's land area consists of farmland,

and agriculture is poised to remain one of the County's defining industries."

Unfortunately, about 1 of every three people in this beautiful rural countryside identify as non-Christian or as having no religious preference. While the PCA has planted three



churches in nearby Peoria, they hope to extend the reach of the gospel in the region by planting a PCA church east of the river to reach people in Woodford & Tazewell Counties.

STATISTICAL AREA



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

Woodford/Tazewell County area all to the glory of God.

The Presbytery of Northern Illinois will also have the support of

the Midwest Alliance. By the grace of God, this next PCA church in Woodford/Tazewell County area will make disciples who will then help to



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



About the Area

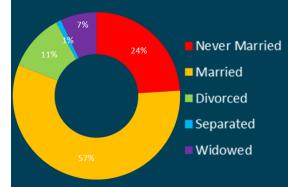
White collar workers make up 62.8% of the workforce.

Pekin, the largest city in Tazewell County, was formerly a hub of the Ku Klux Klan.

Education

(population over age 25)
93% High School Grad or higher
19% Bachelor's Degree
8% Graduate or Professional

Marital Status



Households with Children

Married Couple 74% Single Mom 19% Single Dad 7%

Top Employers in Greater Peoria

Caterpillar, 12000

OSF St. Francis Medical Center, 12000

Unity Point Health, 4991

Peoria Public Schools, 2891

Illinois Central College, 1625

Bradley University, 1300

Advanced Technology Service, 1073

Keystone Steel & Wire, 912

Pekin Insurance, 900

City of Peoria, 888

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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