

The following chart is an approximation, attempting to trace the general history of church development through the ages.

Where IS the faith “given once for all to the saints”? (Jude 3)

More information about many of these churches will be found back at the website page and titled brief church denomination descriptions.

YHWH
Alpha & Omega/Alef & Tav
Gen. 1:1. Is. 44:8. John 1:1-3. 14. Rev. 1:4

Cain
 Cain kills righteous Abel.
 Cain's unrighteous generations follow.

Adam/Eve

Seth

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Noah

Ham

Shem

Japheth

Cush

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Abraham
 “Called out one”

Nimrod
 Architect of Tower of Babel. Foundation of sun god worship. Worldwide Pantheon of Sun Gods.

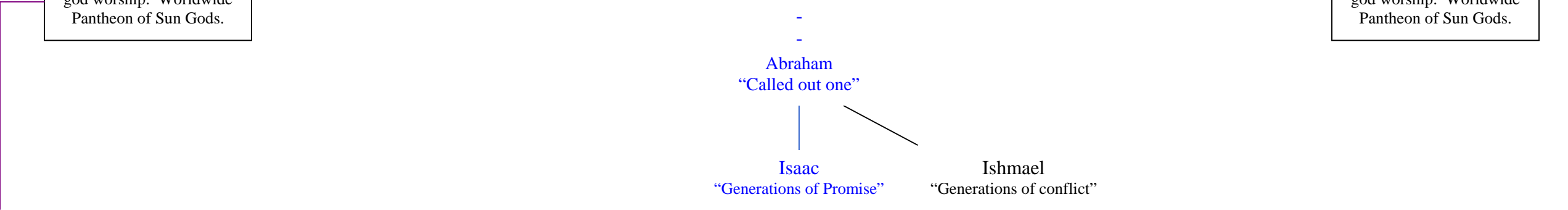
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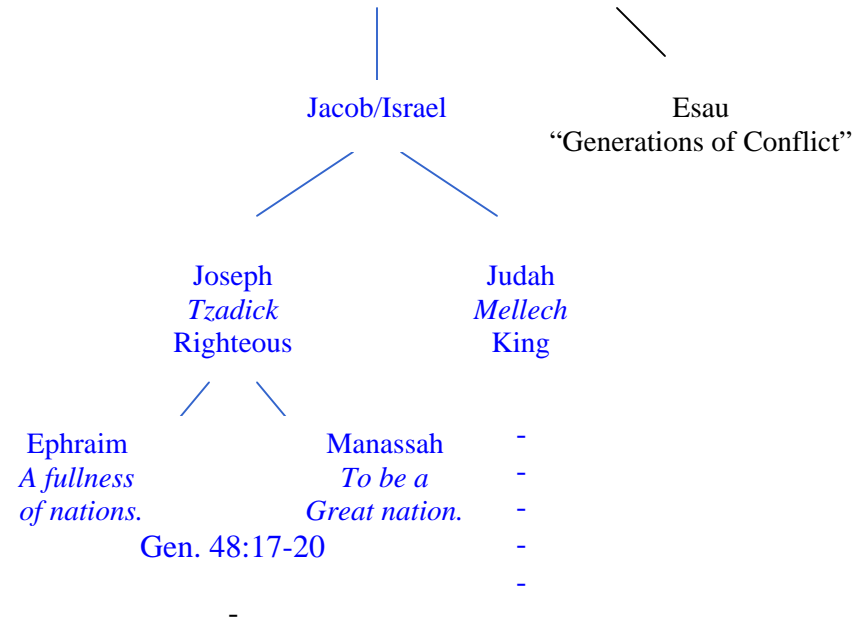
Isaac

“Generations of Promise”

Ishmael

“Generations of conflict”





YHWH

Alpha & Omega/Alef & Tav

Gave Moses the Written Word/Torah

Is. 44:8

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Joshua

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“PERIOD OF JUDGES”

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“PERIOD OF KINGS”

“DIVIDED KINGDOM”

1Kings 11:32-36, 1 Kings 12:24

Israel

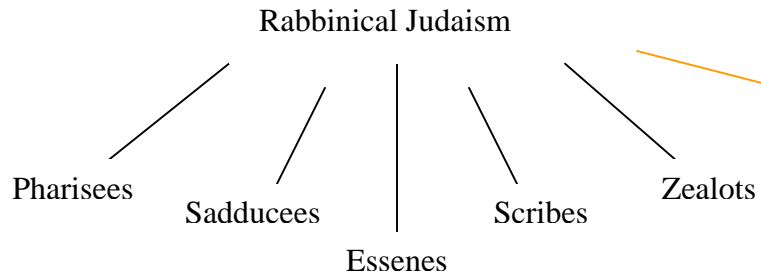
Judah

Somewhere in this era we begin to lose track of “people groups,”
and now track institutional/belief systems.

DIASPORA

(Jer. 9:12-15)

Babylonian sun god
worship influx into
Judaism during
diaspora.



Judaism

YAHSHUA/JESUS

Alpha & Omega/Alef & Tav

Came as The Living Word/Torah

John 1:1-3, 14

33AD

Nazarenes or Followers of the Way

Messianic synagogues accepting Yahshua.

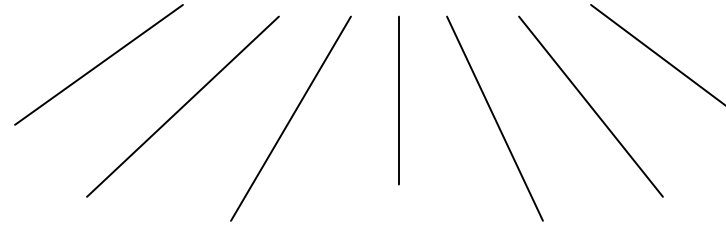
Synagogues not accepting Yahshua as Messiah.

70AD
Destruction of the temple. Nazarenes flee to Pella, the Pharisees fled to Yahvneh, majority of other sects decimated. Remaining sects of Judaism were:

Nazarenes

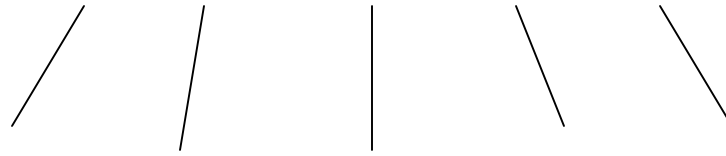
Pharisees

Independent Apostolic Fellowships over wide ranging area.



Nazarenes first called Christian at Antioch.

Over time each group developed a leader called a Bishop. Bishop's of each region met together periodically. There were five (5) main Bishops. The Bishop of Rome began to declare supremacy and demanded allegiance. Bishops of Alexandria and Antioch never agreed.



Rome

Alexandria

306–337AD
 Constantine declared the union of the Roman Catholic Church and the State, now called Christianity. Sun god worship influx.

Church of the East.
 Leaders called Patriarchs never accepted Rome's leadership.

Many splits occurred here:
 A.D. 325 – Nicaea
 381 – Constantinople
 395 – Roman Empire divided. Effectively divided church.
 431 – Ephesus
 451 – Chalcedon
 553 – Constantinople
 680 – Constantinople
 787 – Nicaea
 869-1054AD
 Pope Nicholas ex-communicated Patriarch Photius. Patriarch Photius ex-communicated Pope Nicholas.
 1123 – Rome
 1139 – Rome
 1179 – Rome
 1215 – Rome
 1245 – Lyons
 1274 – Lyons
 1311 – Vienne
 1414-1418 – Constance
 1431-1449 – Basel
 1512-1518 – Rome
 1545-1563 – Trent
 1869-1870 – Vatican
 1962-1965 – Vatican

ROMAN CATHOLICISM

EASTERN CHURCHES

ETHIOPIAN, SYRIAN, ETC.

ISLAM founded approx. 610-632

1173
 Waldensians
 1100 – 1200
 Persecuted by the Roman Catholic Church.

1200-1400AD
 Mongols destroyed most of the Eastern Church throughout Asia and the Orient.

Celtic Church 100 – 200 AD

Roman Catholic Church

Church of the East

Late 1800s immigrated to US,
 1920s merged into Presbyterian Church.

Protestant Reformation
1500s

Radical Sects
1520

Lutheranism
1517

Calvinism
1536

Anabaptists
1521

Hutterites
1500s

Congregationalists
1560

Church of England
1534

The Lutheran
Church
1526

Reformed Churches
1536

Presbyterians
1560

Baptists
1609

Mennonite Church
1683

(Quakers)
1647

Congregational
Churches
1620

Methodism
1739

Reformed
Church
In America
1628

Presby.
Church
in the
U.S.A.
1869

Christian
Church
1794 –
1800

Church of the
Brethren
1719

Relig. Soc. Of
Friends
1700

Unitarian
Churches
1825

Prot.
Epis. Church
1789

Meth.
Epis. Church
1784

Ev. United
Brethren
Church
1946

Ev. &
Reformed
Church
1934

Christian
Church
1804

Disciples
of Christ
1810-30

Adventist
Movement
1833

Relig. Soc. Of
Friends
1700

Unitarian
Churches
1825

African M.E.
Church
1816

Meth.
Epis. Church
1784

Christian
Church
1794

Luth. Syn
Conf. of
N.A.
1872

Apostolic
Luth.
Church of
Am.
1879

Un. Luth.
Church in
America
1918

Presby.
Church
U.S.
1865

Un. Presby.
Church of N.A.
1858

Northern
Baptist
Convention
1845

Southern
Baptist
Convention
1845

Church of
God in
Christ
1897

Seventh Day
Adventists
1863

African M.E.
Church
1816

African M.E.
Zion Church
1821

Meth. Prot.
Church
1830

Christian
Revival
Assoc.
1865

Sun God Worship

Roman Catholic Church

Church of the East

Judaism

Sun God Worship

Church of England



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Roman Catholic Church

German Ev. Ministerium Church of WI 1850

WELS 1917

Confessional Saxon Lutherans 1838

German Ev. Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and others. 1847

LCMS 1947

AELC 1976

Lutheran Free Church

American Luth. Conf. 1960

Major Revision of Doctrine 1967

Presb. Church USA 1983

LCA 1962

ELCA 1988

Churches of Christ 1906

Merger 1958

National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc. 1915

Assemblies of God 1914

UPCI 1945

Progressive National Baptist Convention 1965

Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship 1994

FWCC 1937

FGC, EFI & FUM

Seventh Day Adventists 2000

Congregational and Christian Church 1931

Ev. & Ref. merged to form Un. Church of Christ 1957

UCC & DoC in full communion 1989

Restoration movement/Christian connection, numbers unclear today 2006.

Colored M.E. Church 1870

Methodis Church 1939

Ev. United Brethren Church Merged in 1968

UMC and others. 2005

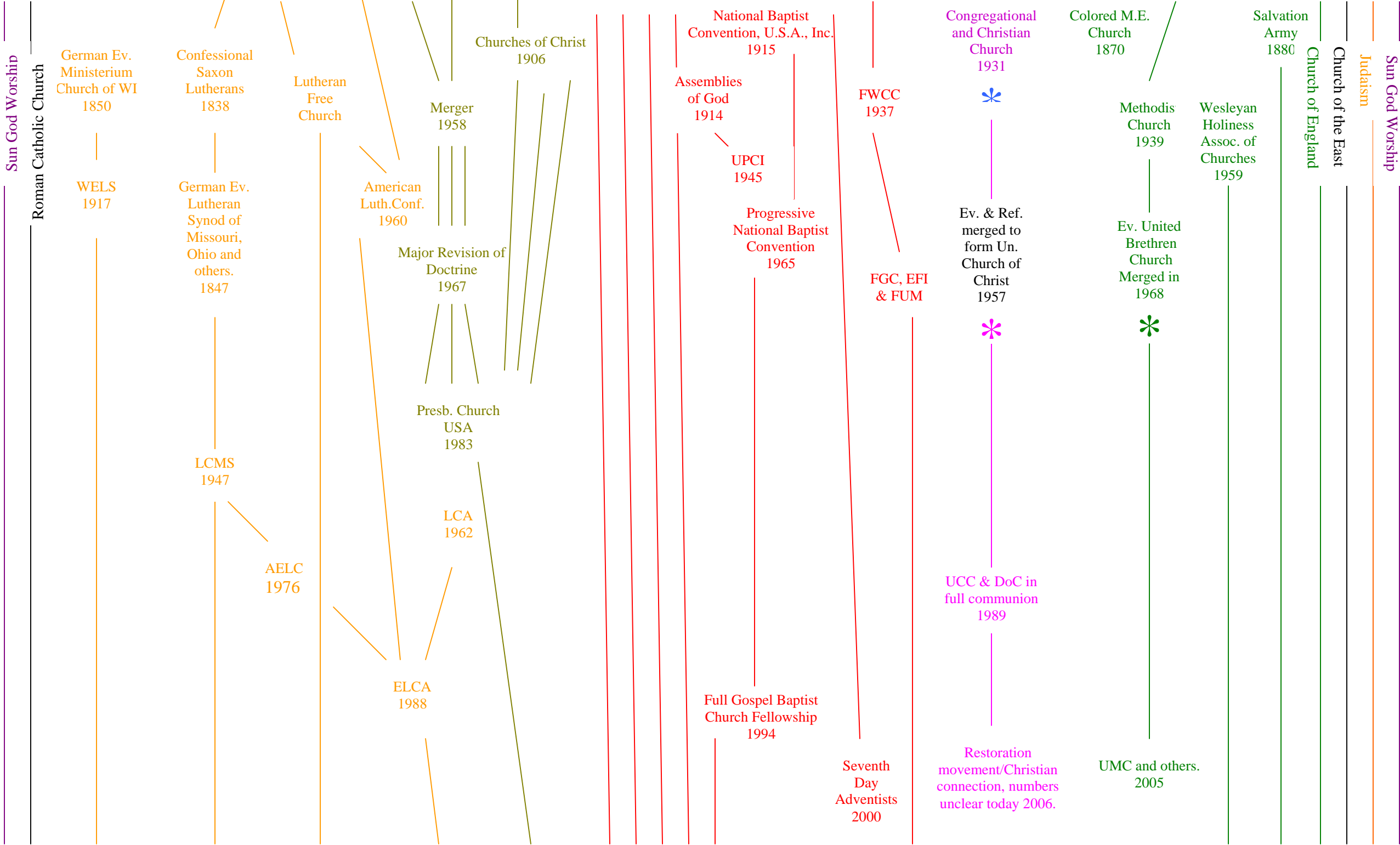
Salvation Army 1880

Church of England

Church of the East

Judaism

Sun God Worship



WELS
2004
3rd largest
Lutheran
Church in
America

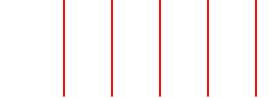
LCMS
2004
2nd largest
Lutheran
Church in
America

AFLC
2004
4th largest

ELCA Largest
America
2005

LCMC
2004

OPC,
PCUSA,
PCA, BPC,
RPCUS,
etc.
2005



Numerous Baptist Conferences.
Southern Baptists
General Conference
Free Will
Assoc. of Regular Baptists, etc.
2005

Amish
Est. 228,000
in US
1990

Hutterities
Est. 500
colonies
2004

2002 - Judaism world
pop. est. 13 million.

Messianic Judaism

Salvation Army in 111
countries provides services
in 175 languages. After the
United Nations, the
Salvation Army is the
world's largest provider of
social aid.

Roman Catholic Church
worldwide, numerous branches.

AoG World's largest
Pentecostal Prot. Christians
52.5 million worldwide.

World council of churches 1948

United Religions Initiative 2000

2005 – Islam
CIA World Factbook – 2nd largest
religion in the world; growing faster
numerically than any other major
world religions. Est. 900 million
and 1.4 billion people.

2006 - National Council of Churches

35 Protestant Anglican & Orthodox Christian Denominations in the US - leading force within the ecumenical movement.

Becoming aware again of people groups both in and outside of religious institutions. (Jer. 23:1-8)

House churches begin growing.
China, England 1960's,
USA 1970's,
major increase since 1990's.
"Revolutionaries"

Israel/Ephraim and companions
Fullness of Nations

Judah and companions
A Great Nation

One flock/One shepherd.
Ezekiel 37:15-28

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