



How do we become an Electric Steward Congregation?



Electric Steward Congregations are congregations that have conducted an energy audit of their church facilities and decided to put into action at least one of the new energy saving steps recommended by the audit.

To request a professional audit, call your local electric or gas utility (they often do energy audits for no or low cost). You might also find energy auditing services by calling your state or local government energy or weatherization office, by checking the telephone directory under "Energy," or by contacting the National Association of Energy Service Companies (NAESCO) at (202)-822-0950 or www.naesco.org. To read more about energy audits from the U.S. Department of Energy, click here (www.eren.doe.gov/consumerinfo/refbriefs/ea2.html)

Before contracting with an energy auditing company, take the following steps:

- Get five references and contact them. Ask if they were satisfied with the work.
- Call the Better Business Bureau and ask about any complaints against the company.
- Make sure the auditor uses a calibrated blower door.
- Make sure they do thermographic inspections.

Once your church has undergone an energy audit and implemented one of the new recommendations, please submit the following web form to become an Electric Steward Congregation. Or, print and mail the following form to Enough For Everyone, Presbyterian Church (USA), 100 Witherspoon Street, Louisville KY 40202-1396.

Church Name: _____

Presbytery: _____

Address:

_____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip

E-mail: _____ Tel: _____

Fax: _____

Contact Person for your congregation: _____

Date of energy audit: _____ Energy audit conducted by: _____

Which recommended step of the energy audit has your church chosen to put into action? _____

Our church also has taken the following steps toward *electric* stewardship (check those that apply):

- Compact Fluorescent Bulbs installed
- Thermostats lowered at night
- Lights turned off when not in use
- Tune-up of heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems
- Preaching about care of God's creation
- Education/Awareness of environmental concerns through church school
- Youth Group environmental activities
- Other _____