

According to God's Word, what is a local church?

... the church in Ephesus ... the church in Smyrna ...
the church in Pergamum ... the church in Thyatira ...
the church in Sardis ... the church in Philadelphia ...
the church in Laodicea (NASB; Rev. 2:1, 8, 12, 18; 3:1, 7, 14).

From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. ... Be on guard among yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers (NASB; Acts 20:17, 28a).

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, including the overseers and deacons (NASB; Phil. 1:1b).

John 4:23-24; Acts 2:42; I Thess. 1:8; I Pet. 4:10-11

According to God's Word, a local church is an assembly of mutually acknowledged Christians, organized in one locale under scriptural leadership, for the purposes of worship, apostolic instruction, prayer, fellowship, evangelism, service, and the observance of the ordinances.

