Which Church?
Eph. 3:21

Introduction:
A. Many good people wonder about the church.
   1. Should they be a member of a church?
   2. If so, which church?
B. Many good people are actively searching for a church.
   1. Think it would be good for themselves and family.
   2. Search for church like for bank, grocery store, barber shop, health club, etc.
C. When asked “which church?” I recommend stop and ask some more fundamental questions first:

Discussion:
I. What must I Do to Be Saved?
A. Be convinced that Jesus is: Christ, Lord, God’s son. (John 8:24; Acts 2:37, 38).
B. Be obedient to Jesus for forgiveness of sins:
   1. Repent “in his name” (Lk 24:47).
   2. Confess his name (cf. Rom. 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37).
C. Being saved one is added to the church of God’s choice (Acts 2:47)
   1. One of God’s “called out assembly.”
   2. A citizen in His kingdom.
   3. A branch in the vine.
   4. A part of His body.
   5. A stone in His building.
D. No longer need to ask “which church?” Are in the church.

II. What must I Do to Stay Saved?
A. Abstain from every form of evil (1 Thess. 5:22; Rom. 6:1-6).
B. Fulfil moral duties of this life.
   1. To family (1 Tim. 5:8).
   2. To government (Rom. 13:1-5).
   3. To neighbor (Jas. 1:27).
C. Walking in the light, confessing sins (1 Jno. 1:7-2:1)
D. Worship and serve the Lord individually (1 Thess. 5:17; Acts 16:25)
   1. Do it in spirit and in truth (John 4:24)
   2. Do it as God commands, not as men (cf. Lev. 10:1-2; Matt. 15:9).
E. Worship and serve the Lord collectively with other disciples in your community (Acts 9:26)
   1. This band of disciples are called “churches” (Rev. 1:11; Rom. 16:16).
      a. Singing together (Eph. 5:19).
      b. Praying together (1 Cor. 14:15-17)
      e. Contributing together (1 Cor. 16:1, 2).
   3. Join them in the legitimate church work (Phil. 4:15-17; Rom 15:26; Eph. 4:16).
   4. Which local church? One that you can join in scriptural worship and service.

Conclusion:
A. Instead of trying to sort one out of many, just look at what Jesus expects of us to be and stay saved.
B. Just get you Bible down and find out what God expects of you – church question will be solved.