

A church is a business regardless of its tax filing status. A church has to pay its Priests, Pastors, and other employees as well as maintain its premises along with other overhead expenses. By promoting the church and persuading new parishioners to join, those parishioners would donate either their money or their time to promote the church's interest.



One goal of churches is missionary work. In other words, spreading the word of God by building more churches and bringing in more parishioners. The church's business is spreading the word of God. Ms. Molitoris was an Invitee on Defendant-Appellee's premises when the fall occurred.

Thus, Plaintiff-Appellant's status as a licensee or invitee is a question for the jury. Whether someone is an invitee or licensee on another's property may be a question of fact where persons of average intelligence can disagree over whether the guest is on the property for a social purpose or to render a service beneficial to the owner of the property. *Leveque v Leveque*, 41 Mich App 127; 199 NW2d 178 (1987).

Here, Defendant-Appellee claims Ms. Molitoris' presence on its property was of no benefit to Defendant and therefore she is a licensee. Ms. Molitoris asserts her presence on Defendant's property did provide a benefit to Defendant. The resolution of these two opposing positions is a question of fact to be resolved by a jury.