



Regional Minister for New and Transforming Churches
Quarterly Regional Board Update 9-23-19

NEW & TRANSFORMING CHURCH

4th Quarter Goals:

- Host Lunch 'n Learn or Webinar for Congregations interested in Transformation Process
- Attend Exponential Church Planting Conference in Chicago
- Select New NTCC Chairperson

The New and Transforming Church Commission has been actively engaged in the work that we have been called to do. After interviewing and reviewing the applications of potential church planters, we launched the inaugural church planters cohort in August. The cohort is scheduled to meet with once a month on the first Wednesdays unless otherwise planned. We have 5 church planters in this cohort and we are excited about the unique perspective and gifts that each person brings. In August, our first meeting was an opportunity to lead the cohort participants through a process of self reflection. Lora McDonald of More2 led a workshop on Identifying and Naming Self Interests in order to help the planters articulate clearly what they have been called to do and who they have been called to lead. In September, we reviewed notes from the book "The Handbook for Today's Disciples." They were given this book as a reading assignment to familiarize them with an overview of Disciples history and polity. We also had guest pastor Josh Patty to come discuss the process of ordination and standing in this region. Our desire is that these leaders will go through each session gaining something that will be beneficial to their leadership and ministry in the church planting process. While 2 of the planters are already convening groups of at least 20 or more every week, we are confident that all planters will be enriched through this process through the various discussion topics, camaraderie, mentors, homework, and conference participation.

Earlier this summer, we presented a proposal to the New and Transforming Church Commission for how the process of transformation can take place in this region. After conversations with Hope Partnership and the General office for Church Transformation, we have developed a process that allows congregations to

	<p>begin with a time of discernment before engaging in transformation. After the first phase, then congregations complete an application that serves the purpose of letting us know how they would like to move forward and it is also a grant application so that they might receive a transformation grant to financially support their efforts. We have also recruited several pastors across the region who are willing to walk with congregations through Phase One. Given that most congregations will not readily volunteer for this process, we are hoping to host a Lunch'n Learn or Webinar in order to explain the process to pastors and congregational leaders so that they can decide if this is what they would like to do. We want congregations to know that the Process of transformation is a way of being faithful.</p> <p>At our July Commission meeting, Rev. Dr. Casey Sigmon resigned from her position as chairperson of the New and Transforming Church Commission. We are grateful to her for amazing leadership and glad that she will continue to serve on this commission. The commission discussed the role and responsibilities of chairperson and we are in discernment for a new leader.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passion for New and Transforming Church ministry • Attend Regional Board Meetings, Give report from NTCC • Schedule Meetings, Set Agendas for Meetings • Keep Records from Meetings [Minutes] • Prepare Annual Budgets, Spreadsheets • Collaborate with RMNTC
<p>GREATER KANSAS CITY REGION</p>	<p>Visited Central Christian Church</p> <p>Attended INHABIT Conference – Seattle, WA</p> <p>Attended Living Water Christian Church New Building Dedication</p> <p>Completed Anti-Racism Train the Trainer Equipping</p> <p>Transformation Conversation with FCC Pleasant Hill and Overland Park CC</p> <p>Preached at Smithville CC</p>

	<p>Attended Entrepreneur Showcase at New Vision CC</p> <p>Meeting with Potential Church Planters and Mentors for Cohort</p> <p>Preached at Overland Park CC</p> <p>Meeting with Pastor Michael Johnson</p> <p>Meeting with Adria Patterson</p> <p>Attended Worship at Whosoever – Pastor from Cohort</p> <p>Meeting wit Brett Winters</p> <p>Participant in Young Adult/College Forum at New Vision CC</p> <p>Attended Race Trauma Workshop</p> <p>Attended Immunity to Change Workshop</p> <p>Preached at FCC Olathe</p> <p>Co-Facilitated Anti-Racism Workshop for Clergy</p> <p>Preached at Fellowship CC</p> <p>Preached Longview Chapel CC</p> <p>Preached at St. Paul Seminary – KS</p>
<p>GENERAL MINISTRY of CCDOC</p>	<p>NBA Executive Search Committee – Director of Social Entrepreneurship</p> <p>Meeting with National Hispanic Pastor – Rev. Lori Tapia</p> <p>Participated on Brainstorming Call for Young Adult Conference Sponsored by NBA</p> <p>Organized and Co-Facilitated New Disciples Clergy Wo/mxn+ Workshop at General Assembly</p> <p>Chairperson of National Convocation Nominating Committee</p> <p>Women Peacemakers Webinar – DSF and DPF</p> <p>Attended General Assembly – Active Participant through National Convocation and DPF; Introduced Rev. Dr. Cynthia Hale in Tuesday evening Worship Service</p> <p>Attended DPF Annual Executive Committee Meeting</p>

ADDITIONAL UPDATES

Meeting with Darnell Fennell regarding New Church – Southwest Region, TX

MORE2 Clergy Caucus Meetings, Banquet

Completed FEMA IA JITT Training

Completed Bethany Fellows Program

Led Devotional with Regional Ministers of Heartland at Tall Oaks

Meeting with Regional Minister Ron Routledge – Southwest Region, TX [Yoga Church]

Attended Proclaiming Pride Service at Community CC

Attended CXS Leadership Development Luncheon

Faith Leaders on Education Quarterly Meetings

Meeting with Jeff of IL-WI region regarding New Church

Completed Coursework for Certificate in Spiritual Entrepreneurship – Hatchery LA, PSWR

Attended Introduction to Design Thinking Workshop

Completed Gamaliel Weeklong Leadership Training

Meeting with Amie V regarding New Church in TN

Attended KC Long Term Recovery Committee Intro Meeting

Meeting with Activist Dana – Gamaliel – St. Louis

Meeting with Rebecca Hale – VP of NBA

Preached at Mid-America Region Transformation Service – Cane Ridge ReVital