

PRESBYTERY OF COASTAL CAROLINA COMMITTEE FOR CONGREGATIONAL REVITALIZATION AND TRANSFORMATION



MISSIONAL TRANSFORMATION COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

Application for the 2014-2016 Cohort

Thoughts from the Coaches

Our goal is to help you reframe this in-between time as sacred space where your congregation can rediscover its energy and vision.

God invites congregations to imagine how their own past might influence God's call today and into the future.

Participating in spiritual practices that will help your congregation develop an attitude of intentional awareness that will open you more deeply to who you and whose you are, as a community called by God.

Not until we tire of driving on the same familiar roundabout do we think of asking for directions.

The CCRT, in collaboration with Mission Coordinators and General Presbyter, will submit names of congregations who appear to be ready to commit to engaging, learning from, and benefitting from the two year-discovery process.

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL MATERIALS REQUESTED BELOW, AS AN EMAIL ATTACHMENT) TO REV. EVAN HARRISON, CCRT chair, at <u>pastor@sspchurch.org</u>; SUNNYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 3997 SUNNYSIDE SCHOOL ROAD, FAYETTEVILLE, NC, 28312; 910/483-5758, **BY NOVEMBER 15TH, 2014**.

- 1. A narrative summarizing the congregation's history, general trends and efforts over the past several years to stimulate new life
- 2. A statement from the Session specifically stating why they desire to be selected for this initial "Community of Practice" cohort (see number 4 below)
- 3. A statement from the congregation's pastor, CRE, or moderator (whichever applies) outlining her or his commitment to helping this congregation with transformation, as well as any relevant training or experience
- 4. A statement agreeing to payment of \$3,000 for full participation over two years (This payment allows the Presbytery to provide such intensive coaching in a sustainable fashion and demonstrates the necessary level of commitment from the congregation. Contact Rev. Evan Harrison with any financial questions or concerns.)

Congregations that are selected will (a) receive a covenant, to be signed by pastor and Clerk of Session, outlining the terms of participation, and will (b) be expected to send Session representatives to an organizing meeting to be held on Sunday, December 7th (time and location to be determined based on the participating churches). Their Sessions will be provided (c) a list of qualities to be consulted in inviting members to be part of the Balcony team, and (d) an outline for a covenant ceremony, to be incorporated into Sunday worship once the Balcony Team members are selected.