

### **NCD & NWC Process for Mission Presbytery**

The New Church Development Subcommittee of the Church Development and Evangelism Committee (CDE) has two tracks for the development of new churches and worshiping communities. They differ in expected outcomes and length of commitment.

Our New Church Development (NCD) track is a 5-year partnership with the intention of creating a new chartered congregation.

The New Worshiping Community (NWC) track is a 3-year partnership with the intention of becoming a sustainable community. This could include a worshiping community of a local church or a continuation of the outreach in some form other than a congregation.

A NCD or NWC may be initiated by an individual leader, existing congregation or congregations or the NCD Subcommittee/CDE of the Presbytery. In each case, the NCD Subcommittee's partnership with them begins with an approved application to the track. The application will consist of:

1. a prospectus of the project
2. a resume of the leader

Upon reception of the above, the NCD Subcommittee, along with representatives of partnering congregations will:

1. Interview the leader
2. Evaluate the potential of the leader and the project. If the NCD Subcommittee/CDE desires to move forward with the partnership, the leader must complete a qualified New Church Assessment before being accepted in the NCD track.

If the CDE Committee deems it favorable to proceed, the potential NCD or NWC begins the process of establishing the following Key Relationships that will include a written covenant agreement:

1. Partnership Team / Commission (leaders from local & supporting congregations that are able to function much like a Session for the NCD / NWC)
2. Local church
3. NCD Subcommittee
4. Coach

Funding will be grant based. Grant application must be submitted before the September meeting of the CDE Committee for the following calendar year.