

NCD Subcommittee Agreement

The NCD Subcommittee/CDE of Mission Presbytery will partner with

_____ for five years beginning _____ to support them in the creation of a new, chartered congregation.

This committee will help the NCD establish and maintain

- a Partnership Team
- a relationship with a local church
- an NCD coach
- general support within the Presbytery
- appropriate ecclesiastical & corporate organization (including financial, personnel, legal)

In development phase (generally years 1-3), it is expected that the NCD will:

1. Initial gathering of people to form a leadership team
2. Develop and implement mission plan
3. Begin gathering people for worship and discipleship
4. Begin forming community with gathered people
5. Begin establishing ways to serve the larger community of this new church

In the establishment phase (generally years 4-5), it is expected that the NCD will work to establish sustainability including:

1. A leadership structure that will outlast pastor
2. The ability to fulfill BOO obligation
3. A plan for sustainable pastoral leadership
4. A sustainable financial plan
5. Enough people (critical mass) to reasonably pursue mission & vision of this congregation (defined by the mission plan from the development phase)

The leadership of the NCD will meet with and report to the NCD Subcommittee/CDE two times a year to communicate the progress toward these expectations. If the NCD is not making progress or is unwilling to participate fully in the relationship, the NCD Subcommittee/CDE may determine that the partnership is not a good fit and end the agreement.

By the end of the five year partnership, it is expected that the NCD will either:

1. Move toward chartering as a self-sustaining congregation. (While they may need more time for the formal process, the NCD Subcommittee/CDE partnership with them will end because they have established sustainability.)
2. Transform into a Worshiping Community (falling under the care of a local congregation).
3. Fold into an existing congregation.

Signatures: