

# John Kinyon Church/Presbytery Planting

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Mission: To ignite a fruitful church planting movement in small towns across central NC

Purpose: To assist in planting 5 PCA churches over the next 10 years with the goal of forming a new *Sandhills* presbytery

Method:

- 1) To lay the groundwork for potential church plants in multiple locations
- 2) To assist nearby PCA churches in their respective church planting endeavors
- 3) To raise up and equip leaders for a bountiful harvest, especially those from within our region, and
- 3) To co-plant new churches with qualified church planters

Call: To seek a call as an Ass't Pastor for Evangelism and Church Planting at Christ Church Sanford under oversight of the CCP commission/session (BCO 22-3).

## Next Steps after receiving call:

1. **MEN** – identify prospective church planters with whom to partner and/or co-plant
  - a. *Where find them?* Potential “fishing pools” include -
    - i. Seminaries (e.g. RTS, Gordon-Conwell, and Southeastern)
    - ii. MNA contacts (e.g. Chris Vogel, Alan Foster)
    - iii. MNA church planting assessment centers and readiness seminars
    - iv. PCA pastors, churches, networks
  - b. *What offer them?*
    - i. Personal mentorship and care (including partnership in an “Evangelize Today” and a “Next Gen” cohort)
    - ii. Internships (summer and year-round) and Apprenticeships (for PTs)
    - iii. Co-Planting opportunities (PRs and Rs)
    - iv. Maybe some minimal compensation, seminary assistance, etc.
  - c. *How attract?*
    - i. Gain hands-on, varied ministry and church planting experience
    - ii. Be part of a presbytery that strongly supports church planting
    - iii. Offer some financial assistance for seminary or living expenses
      1. Maybe raise \$6,000 to offer 2 persons 1/3 scholarships at RTS?
    - iv. Consider starting a *LAMP* or *Third Mill* program to raise up local leaders
    - v. Participate in monthly “Eastern CCP Gatherings” for purposes of training, encouragement, and networking
2. **MONEY** – to raise sufficient funds to meet my family/ministry needs

- a. *My Need?* \$150k/yr (90k/yr – income/housing; 10k/yr – health/insur; 10k/yr retirement; 40k/yr – ministry expenses)
    - i. Total may be offset by outside bi-vocational employment
    - ii. Begin new ministry when reach initial goal \$4k/m (or \$48k/yr)
  - b. *Fundraising Steps:*
    - i. Send out family update letter, requesting prayer (July)
    - ii. Receive call from CCP at Aug or Nov 2023 quarterly mtg
    - iii. Set-up account with MNA and explore legal organization
    - iv. Produce promotional materials for distribution
    - v. Approach CCP and ECP, churches, friends and family for financial support
- 3. **MISSION FIELDS** – to identify prospective sites and to lay the groundwork for new works
  - a. Pray: take a month to pray and seek the Lord *before doing anything!*
  - b. Visit and exegete 3-5 possible locations, identifying strengths and challenges
  - c. Prayerfully select top 3 based on various criteria, then begin regular (weekly?) visits to these communities to build relationships and network
  - d. Invite interested prospective planters to consider co-planting in these locations
  - e. Launch small group bible studies in each community, eventually forming core groups and launch teams;
  - f. Conduct regular outreach, mercy, and evangelism ministries, with set milestones
- 4. **MENTORSHIP** – to equip and mentor prospective planters and their families
  - a. Personal mentoring tailored to needs of planter (per Assessment results)
  - b. Participate in Vogel's "Next Gen" and Dayhoff's "Evangelism Today" cohort
  - c. Facilitate monthly Eastern CCP Gatherings w/ local pastors and leaders
  - d. Support the Church Planting Center at RTS, perhaps offering cp internships
  - e. Pursue teaching opps at seminaries, presbyteries, etc (as time permits)
  - f. Participate in MNA Assessment Centers and Readiness Seminars
  - g. Promote planter spouse and family wellness
- 5. **MOMENTUM** – to promote the vision of church planting in Central Carolina
  - a. Promote prospective sites and opportunities on MNA website
  - b. Make regular reports at CCP (and ECP?) meetings
  - c. Cooperate with non-PCA denominations/ministries (e.g. SBC, TGC, Military)
  - d. Expand Eastern CCP Gatherings to include annual retreats and conferences
  - e. Contribute to the health and well-being of local PCA churches
  - f. Learn and partner with other PCA movement leaders (like Corey Pelton in GA)
  - g. Plant a new presbytery (perhaps with ECP contributing some churches).