

Revitalization Training:

Revitalization training events are available for pastors and congregations of the Nebraska District—LCMS.

To learn more about Revitalization, contact Rev. Boring or one of the pastors listed below, who is going through Revitalization.

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Revitalization leaders gain Scriptural training for mission focus, personal faith cultivation, peer mentoring, and accountability. Revitalization empowers great commissioned-focused leaders to lead great commissioned churches.



Covenant

Reaffirmation of a commitment to the study of Scriptures and to align our lives and ministry with the Word of God.

Commitment to intercessory prayer and to a Scriptural evaluation of the issues and concepts surfaced in the Revitalization Process.

Commitment to participate in leading the church to a greater focus on and personally become involved in the Great Commission.

Commitment to implement the agreed upon initiatives that come out of the Revitalization Process.

Commitment of the congregation to budget \$400 for pastor retreat, Revitalization material, and Church Development survey.

There will be minimal out-of-pocket costs for meals, mileage, and some additional books from a bibliography that might be significant for specific congregational goals.

Commitment of pastors and congregations to the Revitalization Project with 5—10 lay leaders attending three summit meetings.



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Somewhere between the list of unfinished tasks and the tyranny of the urgent is God's vision and call on your life and your church.

But leaders need a place, a process, and a plan to hear a fresh call from God's Word under Christ's grace.

To hear anew their Savior calling them to the church's mission.



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REDISCOVERY

Whether you and your church are at a crossroads, have plateaued in your mission, or need to chart the next chapter, Revitalization can make a difference.

Revitalization empowers church leaders to rediscover God's purposes and re-position their ministries for greater mission effectiveness.

Revitalization was the call of our exalted Lord to the Seven Churches of Asia Minor in Revelation 1—3.

The Book of Acts is a Gospel-centered word about God's people—alive and ablaze—that speaks to the church today!

WHAT IS REVITALIZATION?

Revitalization helps churches assess where they have been by looking at their past—seeing how God directed them through the good and bad times. Their history will show them their core values for ministry.

Secondly, they will discover where they are going. They will look at the demographics of their church and community and also do a community survey to find out what the ministry needs of the community are.

Thirdly, implementing how they will get there. They will take all the information they have gathered from their history and demographics and will set goals for the next five years. Revitalization will help churches to set goals to strengthen their ministry, reach out to unchurched people, develop small groups, and consider being involved in planting new churches.

STEP ONE

STEP ONE OF THE REVITALIZATION NETWORK

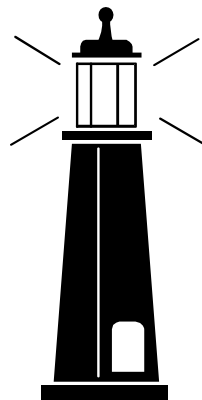
Personal renewal precedes corporate renewal.

Step one of Revitalization, pastors and congregational leaders experience Spiritual and personal renewal as they submit afresh to God's Word in their lives and clarify their personal calling.

Additionally, step one of the Revitalization Network consists of a retreat for pastors and being placed in a cluster of three or four churches, with a coach to be a resource and encourager as the church goes through the Revitalization process .

THE BENEFITS OF STEP ONE:

- Personal renewal for pastors and congregational leaders
- Discovery process of how God develops leaders
- Personal involvement in the Great Commission
- Build a community of leaders
- Restoration of hope and courage



STEP TWO

STEP TWO OF THE REVITALIZATION NETWORK

Corporate renewal leads to Great Commission congregations.

In step two of Revitalization, pastors and congregational leaders gain strategic focus to return their church to the Great Commission. The District will host a training event to equip the Revitalization team in each church to implement the Revitalization process in their own church.

THE BENEFITS OF STEP TWO: ***Churches are empowered to answer seven strategic questions:***

- Why do we exist as a church? (Biblical Purpose)
- How has God worked in our past? (Ministry Milestones)
- Whom has God called us to reach? (Ministry Focus)
- Whom has God shaped us to be? (Core Values)
- Where is God leading us in the future? (Vision)
- How will God accomplish His work among us? (Goals)
- What is our plan for Ministry for the coming years? (Ministry Plan)

