

## **Expanding the Kingdom Through Multi-Site Ministry**

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### **Why is This Important to Us?**

- ◆ Because District models for mission starts have changed with less funds available – the model of strong congregations leading and supporting.
- ◆ A need for space and a helpful idea for growing.
- ◆ Some of us have questions with no answers, and wondering if multi-site system answers specific questions.
- ◆ One is wondering if another site would be a good way to begin contemporary worship.

### **Assets on Which to Build**

- ◆ Written resources for multi-location ministry.
- ◆ Some congregations in Kansas City have created these ministry models in their location.
- ◆ What other models?
  - Start daycare as see start
  - Start Bible study
  - “Pick me up” services
  - Call Mission Developer – sometimes hand-off is a delicate issue
  - Call Mission Developer w/core group of main congregation’s members

Other Assets:

- ◆ Theology of LCMS
- ◆ Concern for Children, Education
- ◆ Mother churches give financial stability, allowing new site to grow easily

### **Other Discussion of Significance**

- ◆ How to start new mission sites without impacting a sister congregation or two.
- ◆ Members who move to new site often end up taking roles of significant leadership, whereas they wouldn't have in original site. God can use these to grow people's faith and roles.
- ◆ When is the time that a congregation looks to grow a second site?

### **Recommendations**

- ◆ There are many resources available.
- ◆ Rev. Mark Schulz is interested in beginning a multi-site Discussion Group for anyone interested.