

Objective #6: Engage in ministry opportunities beyond the community.

Council Champion(s): Ashley Albers

GOAL 6a:

Mentor/Support another congregation in NC Synod in conjunction with the Bishops office

Pastor Greg passed this offer on to the Bishops office and reminded the Synod Director of Evangelical Outreach (John Mocko) of our willingness to serve. Grace is or will be mentoring and supporting some congregations in the NC Synod in these specific ways:

- Grace is included in several categories of "Best Practices" for congregations in the NC Synod. This compilation with contact information is posted on the Synod website as a resource for congregations. The "companions" or coaches for congregations in renewal process are encouraged to contact these "best practice" congregations.
- Pastor Greg continues to serve on the Synod's Renewal Team. He has led a portion of their workshop for smaller congregations on four Saturdays in 2014/15.
- Karen-Eve Pfozter, Director of Gifts Ministry, will be working with John Mocko to develop & lead Lay Leadership Training workshops across the Synod.
- Grace will be hosting three follow-up workshops (February - May) for the synod's evangelism conference in January 2016, "Bold Like Jesus."

GOAL 6b:

Adult Mission Trip

- Council liaison is Aaron Solano & Pastor Oviedo is staff contact.
- Transition in leadership in Costa Rican Lutheran Church leadership postponed earlier discussions with them.
- Goal is still before us. Planning & coordination of this trip may be combined with Pastor Oviedo's Chocolate course which will conclude with an immersion experience in a Spanish language community (Mexico; US/Mexico border area; Costa Rica).